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# What Are Your *Heart-songs*? The 73rd Alpha Alpha State Convention

by Melody Hannegan

If someone approached you and asked, "What are your 'Heart-songs'?" what would your response be? We are all individuals, our hearts singing different tunes, but you might be amazed how the songs of many people carry melodies and harmonies that reflect your own, or with their diversity, enrich your own.

The Alpha Alpha State Convention was all about these "Heart-songs" and it started Friday evening when the 2010 Women of Distinction were recognized for their achievements outside of DKG. Every one of them directed her heart's passions into actions that positively affected her students and communities.



Woman of Distinction honorees See page 12 for further information

After that ceremony, everyone headed to a game of "Poor Man's Bingo." After buying a card on which we placed our own 10 numbers (from numbers 1-50), the caller announced numbers in a random order. Continued on page 10

## FALL KEYSTONIAN TO BE PUBLISHED ONLINE

The fall issue of *The Keystonian* will be published electronically for all members having email. Those not having Internet access will receive a print copy. Watch for your Fall 2010 online issue in September.

## SCHOLARS REKINDLE PASSION OF LOVE FOR LEARNING AND ADVENTURE

By Janet Lee Hay Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Chairman

The Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Committee awarded three scholarships, one Marian Spitzer Roebling scholarship, and ten enrichment grants at the 73rd State Convention at the Nittany Lion Inn in University Park, Pennsylvania, on Sunday, June 13, 2010.

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



Barbara Andrews, Chi Chapter, received the Dr. Laura Braun Award.

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# Alpha Alpha State Officers 2009-2011 President Susan Stamm First Vice President/ **Program of Work Chairman** Louann Shrader Second Vice President/ Membership Chairman Kay Stuart **Recording Secretary** Patricia Shedlock **Corresponding Secretary** Tracey Dusch Treasurer Linda O'Connor Parliamentarian Carol Herbert Website:deltakappagamma.org/PA Webmaster Tammy Miller Editor Terri Stetler



# Alpha Alpha State President's Message

By Susan Stamm

"Love yourself first and everything else falls into line. You really have to love yourself to get anything done in this world."

Lucille Ball

What an exciting time it is for chapters in Alpha Alpha State! Forty-eight incoming chapter presidents accepted the passing of the red rose at state convention in June and are assuming their responsibilities. We

welcome and congratulate you newly elected officers for accepting the challenge of leading your local chapters with passion throughout the 2010-2012 biennium. Thirty-four incoming presidents participated in the training provided by the Leadership Development Committee in March. This outstanding training equipped these women with the confidence and knowledge they need to rekindle the passion for Delta Kappa Gamma. I hope that their enthusiasm will become contagious across the state. On behalf of the other officers of Alpha Alpha State, I offer heartfelt thanks to the out-going chapter presidents, officers, and committee chairmen. You have worked with dedication and commitment to the mission of the Society during the 2008-2010 biennium.

This issue of the our newsletter has reports of all the convention happenings. Be sure to read Melody Hannigan's review of the convention. Also, go over the articles that report the 2010 Woman of Distinction honorees, and the Scholarship and Enrichment Grant Awardees. Twentysix women were honored because they received honors for achievements outside of our organization. Four women received scholarship aid in the amount of \$8,500, and ten women were awarded enrichment grants totaling \$15,100. Our members truly are outstanding women. The members who attended convention shared their heart-songs, welcomed our guests, Dr. Sigrún Klara Hannesdóttir, International Second Vice President, and Dr. Muriel O'Tuel, Keynote Speaker. They tended to Society business and enjoyed all the activities of the weekend. It was a wonderful feeling, as Alpha Alpha State President, for me to feel the energy and enthusiasm from everyone there.

As I reflect on my first year as state president, the first thing that comes to mind is how you have treated me as I have traveled and visited you across the state. You have made me feel like a queen. I thank you for all you have done to make my year run smoothly. I want to do so much more visiting during this coming year. Please be sure to contact me soon to schedule a date.

Now I plan to slow down my schedule and take some time to relax before heading out to Spokane in July for the International convention. I am excited about leading the Pennsylvania delegation this summer and am honored to represent you on the International Board. This convention is extremely important because we will be voting on the proposed revisions to our Constitution and International Standing Rules. Be sure to take time to read these proposals. They are included in the March/April issue of the DKG NEWS. If you are attending convention, you need to be informed about your voting; if you cannot attend, you may share your opinions with those of us who will be there. New International officers will be elected and installed, hopefully including our own Dr. Lyn Schmid as Northeast Regional Director. I look forward to hearing the goals and initiatives of the incoming International president.

In August, your state officers and committee chairmen will be meeting in State College to plan for the upcoming year. There will be much work to be done to prepare for the Fall Area Conferences...and the Northeast



By "Annie" (aka Kay Stuart, Membership Chairman)



As we make plans for the next biennium, is there anything we should consider as we put together our chapter programs and activities?

Rita Paper



I am really glad you asked. One of the things we all can do is to let people know what our Society does. Let them know that The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honor society for women educators with more than 106,000 members. It is established in 17 member

countries around the world. The Society defines its mission as promoting professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. We are a major philanthropic organization, giving scholarships, enrichment grants, and recruitment grants, as well as supporting International and state projects.

Be sure someone in your chapter is in charge of public relations. Publicize chapter projects and activities, as well as your attendance at state and International events. This can be done through traditional news outlets, but also through a newsletter posted in the faculty rooms of schools in your area. Sponsor "big idea" community events such as Back-to-School vaccinations, fall flu prevention programs, spelling bees, or career days. Be sure your chapter name is visible as a sponsoring organization.

Your members are all part of other organizations. Be sure they promote your chapter leaders as presenters or speakers for these other groups.

Best wishes on your new biennium.

# Dear Annie,

The number of members in our chapter is dropping. What can we do?

**Hedda Members** 

Dear Hedda,

We need to nurture our members, young and old, and by doing so we can maintain our numbers. Nurturing our members is everyone's job, particularly the job of nurturing our newest members. Purpose #6 directs us to do that. (To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action.) Here are a few ideas:

\*Spotlight a few members briefly at each meeting. Consider achievements, jobs, birthdays, children, etc.

\*Follow up on absences from meetings, even if you know why they were absent. Make a phone call; send an email; or send a card. Let them know they were missed.

\*Give a prize for every member who attends every meeting during the year.

\*Arrange for transportation for those members who don't want to drive.

\*Provide babysitting for younger members who need it.

\*Promote the responsibility to new members -Sponsoring members should call them to see if they need a ride, keep in touch with them regularly by phone, email, or cards, and take them to state functions.

Speaking of state functions, I know your state membership committee is looking forward to seeing you at one of the fall area conferences. They will have materials to help you recognize the needs of our multigenerational Society, where to look for new members, icebreaker activities that can be used at meetings, and ways to focus on your members. Registration information can be found on page 17 in this edition of *The Keystonian*.

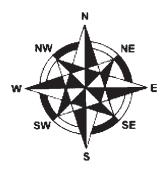
To increase our numbers, we need to ASK those young, outstanding women educators to join our membership. We all know them, but seem shy about asking them. Invite them to attend meetings as guests so they can see for themselves what philanthropic and professional work we do. I recently ran across the following poem that shows how valuable individual members can be in the effort to increase the membership of our organization.

#### The Value of One Member



Ten little members standing in line
One disliked the President, then there were nine.
Nine ambitious members offered to work late
One forgot her promise, then there were eight.
Eight creative members had ideas good as heaven
One lost enthusiasm, then there were seven.

By Louann Shrader, Program of Work Chairman



Summertime. While the living is easy - chapters are busy planning programs for next year. Each chapter's needs and interests are as different as the children we teach. The magic is finding the right fit and interest that meets the diversity within your own chapter.

You're on the right path if your program ideas address the interests of all members either personally or professionally. You're on the right path if you keep the seven Purposes in the forefront while planning your programs. As you plan, check off the Purposes achieved with each program.

Program ideas are endless. If you attended state convention you may have found an idea at one of the info fair tables that would be of interest to your chapter members. If you attended state convention you may have taken advantage of Dr. Sigrún Klara Hannesdóttir's workshop on chapter programs and have gotten some ideas in her workshop to take back to your chapter

planning session. And if looking for additional ideas try the International website. The amount of information on our International website keeps growing and you're sure to find a program idea or project that is the right fit for your chapter!

Navigating the International website and finding the information you want is easy. Follow these steps:

Go to www.dkg.org , the International website Go to the bottom of the page and click on site map Scroll down to Program of Work and click on program ideas (then stand back for the explosion of ideas that will come your way)

In this area of the website you'll find programs about our founders, a power point, 39 different program ideas to choose from, 26 different projects your chapter could get involved in, and some icebreakers as well.

Whatever path and wherever your program planning sessions take you, the Society has an available compass that can be used to navigate and locate ideas that can make your chapter programs meaningful and interesting to the diversity that makes your chapter unique among others.

## **Membership**

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## **President's Message**

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Regional Conference in Hershey in July 2011. In September and October Alpha Sigma and Beta Iota invite all members to join them for a day of fellowship and leadership training. (Registration forms can be found on page 17 in this issue.) The Leadership Development Committee and the Alpha Alpha State Officers are planning a wonderful day for everyone to celebrate what's right with your chapter, our state and the world. The workshops will provide training for chapter leaders, including presidents, other officers, committee chairmen and any member looking for leadership and membership connections. I urge every member to take advantage of this excellent leadership opportunity. If you were unable to be in Spokane, you will want to attend a fall area so that you can keep current with the happenings of the organization. So select the date - September 25 or October 16 - and the location - New Castle or Camp Hill. I look forward to seeing you!

I look forward to the coming year where we shall work to rekindle our passions for the Society, our schools, our communities...and the world!

#### The Value of One Member

Seven loyal members got into a fix They quarreled over programs, then there were six. Six members remained, with spirit and drive But one moved away, then there were five. One became indifferent, then there were four. Four cheerful members who never disagree 'Til one complained of meetings, then there were three. Three eager members. . . what do they do? One got discouraged, then there were two. Two lovely members, our rhyme is nearly done. One joined a bridge club, then there was one. One faithful member was feeling rather blue Met with a neighbor then there were two. Two earnest members each enrolled one more Doubled their number, and then there were four. Four determined members just could not wait 'Til each won another, then there were eight. Eight excited members signed up sixteen more In another six verses, there will be a "thousand-twenty four."

--author unknown

# PROGRAM OF WORK

#### **Use Research to Rekindle the Passion**

By Cindy Reynolds, Research Chairman

Two of the goals of the Alpha Alpha State Research Committee have been to assist chapters in maintaining their membership profiles and demographic information and to compile a database of workshop presenters. The articles in this column throughout the year have addressed these items in detail. The gathering of this data and then analyzing what the information reveals about the members, will help to develop an action plan to maintain and rekindle members' passion for the Society. The following items are in need of immediate attention in order to implement the action plan in the decision-making process:

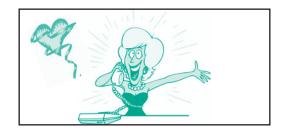
- Chapter Demographic Forms are to be sent to the state research committee chairman on or before October 1, 2010. Forms are needed from all chapters except Phi and Kappa who have already submitted their forms. Chapters and state can utilize this valuable information as a way of addressing membership needs such as determining gaps in membership in terms of age, area of expertise, educational environment, and school districts represented. The information along with the chapter profile will also help to make decisions about program planning and to continually reevaluate ways to rekindle the members' passion for the Society.
- State Forms for Workshop Presenters. The goal of this project is to compile an on-going database of chapters and members willing to present personal and professional workshops which addresses Purpose #3 of the Society. Once it is compiled, the information will be easily accessible on the state website. Individual members, chapters, state, and International will find the information an excellent resource in planning meetings, workshops, conferences and conventions.

These forms as well as the newly designed Research Brochure were distributed at the state convention, will be available at the fall area conferences, and can be downloaded from the Alpha Alpha State website, deltakappagamma.org/PA under forms.

In preparation for the possibility of the Research Committee being eliminated in the committee restructuring by International, the present committee has worked to help other committees to be aware of ways that they can utilize research to drive decisions and for planning purposes in their committee work. A business card has been designed and distributed with The Decision-Making Process Steps that all committees and members can use. It, too, can be downloaded from the website.

So help your chapter complete and submit its demographic form, become a part of the database of workshop presenters, read the Research Committee's Brochure, and find ways of utilizing the Decision-Making Process. These are all items which will help you personally rekindle your passion.

# **Nominations**



# Be Part of the Passion: Delta Kappa Gamma Leadership

by Carolyn Sutton, Nominations Chairman

"There are some things in life that catch your eye, and then, there are those that capture your **heart**. Pursue those."

Unknown

President Susan Stamm urges us to "start from the heart to rekindle the passion" for our Society. The Nominations Committee invites you to use that heartfelt passion by being a part of the Alpha Alpha State leadership.

It is now time to apply for a position as a state officer and for membership on the Finance and Nominations committees. Chapter Nominations Chairmen are responsible for seeking qualified members to be placed into nomination for these important roles. See the State Website at www.deltakappagamma.org/PA for the form to submit by October 15, 2010.

Nominations are requested for the following positions:

#### 2-year Terms

President 1st Vice President 2nd Vice President Recording Secretary Corresponding Secretary

#### **4-Year Terms**

Nominations Committee Finance Committee

Information concerning the functions of these offices can be found in the *Alpha Alpha State Bylaws* which can be downloaded from the state website.



# THE LEGISLATIVE

#### **HEARTBEAT**

by Elizabeth Brewer

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.

It certainly was a pleasure meeting so many of you at our recent state convention and it was so wonderful to see the passion and enthusiasm for The U.S. Forum initiatives. Reports from the meeting will on our website. See all of you at our fall area meetings to hear about the events that occurred at the Spokane convention of DKG.

#### **Opportunities:**

**Internationally** - You are still invited to write-up any cultural exchange lessons that you have done with your class or in another learning arena within the United States or internationally. Complete the International Cultural Exchange Activity sheet found on the state's website under U.S. Forum. Ideas will be shared at the fall area meetings.

**Nationally** - Stay attuned to any "call-in days" to legislators that may be organized by reputable educational groups which support funding to save educational jobs. We have seen unprecedented cuts in our profession during the last several months and there is no sign of any change. Be proactive and take a stand to save jobs in order to ensure the future education of the children in the USA.

Also be watchful of state laws similar to the recent law enacted in Colorado that ties teacher evaluations to the progress of their students on achievement tests. A national momentum to overhaul instructors' pay and tenure by tying them to federal funds is another sign of the changing politics of education reform.

Commonwealth - The projected pension spike for 2012-13 of the Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS) has been caused by investment losses in two down markets and the underfunding by state and school districts. As the fall elections begin to heat up, be aware of the platforms being espoused by those running for your local school positions and government offices. It is imperative that the pension dilemma be handled with a positive and healthy plan for current and future employees.

#### **National Heartbeats:**

Health Warning for Diabetics

Be aware of the drug Avandia. Since 2003 the Nader Public Citizen/Health Research Group has warned of serious side effects affecting the heart from taking this drug. In 2008 the American and European Diabetes Associations warned doctors not to use the drug. Physicians at the Food and Drug Administration concluded that the drug is "too dangerous to be sold," but the pharmaceutical company was able to override this recommendation. In a February 2010 issue of the New York Times a warning was published about the side effects of the drug.

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/02/20/health/policy/20ava ndia.html) Information about a class action law suit against the maker of Avandia can be found at http://avandia.legalview.com/avandia-lawsuit.aspx
For on-line information on specific bills go to http://thomas.loc.gov/

# CONTACT ADDRESSES FOR GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

U.S. GOVERNMENT CONTACT INFORMATION can be obtained through Congressional Switchboard 1-866-327-8670 (this is a toll free number). You can contact your Congressman and Senator through this number without paying long distance charges.

http://www.house.gov/ for members of the House of Representatives

http://www.senate.gov/ for members of the U.S. Senate

#### **Commonwealth Heartbeats:**

Monitor the progress of the 2010-2011 state budget that continues the General Assembly's commitment to school funding and ensures the Commonwealth's commitment to educators and the students they teach.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT CONTACT

INFORMATION can be obtained through http://www.emailyourgovernor.com/ Information available at this site allows contact with governors, members of the state legislature, state supreme court, congressional delegation and state agencies such as the Education Department, Attorney General, Motor Vehicles Department and Voter Registration.

# INFORMATION ON HOW YOUR CONGRESSMAN VOTED ON KEY BILLS

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

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

# Welcome New Initiates and Reinstated Members



Iota Mrs. Deanna Haddle

Kappa Mrs. Krista Zeigler

Pi Ms. Elizabeth Fuller Ms. Jennifer Wolbert

Sigma Mrs. Claudia Chesney Mrs. Carol Harrison Mrs. Sandra Kessler Mrs. Kelly Snayberger Mrs. Jennifer Taylor Alpha Beta Jacalyn Logue

Alpha Xi Miss Susan Ennis Ms. Jennifer Mitnick Mrs. Erin Sloane

Alpha Phi Dr. MaryAnne Battaglia

Alpha Chi Ms. Gail Slesinski

Alpha Omega Mrs. Candis Blaszczyk Betsy Wildauer Beta Alpha Mrs. Susan Hoffmann Miss Jennifer Nagel Mrs. Mary Beth Strehse-Muckley

Beta Delta Mrs. Michelle Hartlaub Mrs. Tammy Wetzel

Beta Theta Susan Bay Kelly Berry Julie Ditzler Janine Roosenberg Marcia Sharpe Vanessa Shenk Kathy Woodbridge Beta Rho Mrs. Kimberly Lee Mrs. Annette Smith

Beta Sigma Ms. Patricia Harrison Mrs. Michele Kollar Mrs. Janice Slimak

#### Please note:

All initiates and reinstated members will appear in this column when the editor receives the names from the State Treasurer.

Thank you!



# NOTES From the State Treasurer:

**Active Dues: \$51** 

\$10 State Dues \$40 International Dues \$ 1 State Scholarship

Chapter dues are added to this amount

Reserve Dues: \$26

\$5 State Dues \$20 International Dues \$1 State Scholarship Chapter dues are added to this amount.

Dues are to be paid to the Chapter Treasurer by October 31. The Chapter Treasurers are to send the Form 18 along with the Dues and Fees to the State Treasurer by November 30.

Thank you,

Linda O'Connor

# President's Schedule

July 19-24 International Convention

Spokane, WA

August 13-14 Administrative committee Meeting of

the State Officers and Committee Chairman in the Comfort Inn and

Suite

State College

August 24 Nu Chapter meeting

September 16 Lambda Chapter meeting

September 25 Fall Area Conference – WEST –

Union Area High School

New Castle

October 16 Fall Area Conference – **EAST** –

Raddison Hotel Camp Hill

# At the 5th (Women By Grace Schauer, Cochairman, Arts Retreat Photos courtesy

54 Alpha Alpha State members were inspired, entertained, and fascinated with the events How do we know this? Just sing along with the following words



At the fifth Arts Retreat, someone said to me...

How do I wait two more years? ... I've met a friend... Can I go fishing?... Guitar chords are easy... **SO MANY CHOICES...** How do I fold this?...

Going once, Going Twice, Sold!...

I made these earrings!...

At the fifth Arts Retreat, someone smiled and said:

"I'M TAKING CLYDE HOME WITH ME!"





# in the) Arts Retreat

State Photographer Karen Ball, Suzanne Long, and Terri Stetler

at the 5th Women in the Arts Retreat held at The Country Place near White Haven in April. and the tune *Twelve Days of Christmas*. The photos tell the rest!



#### Alpha Alpha State Convention 2010

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All at once, women bounced out of their seats to grab gifts, first from the center of the room and then from each other. Some packages were so enticing that they exchanged hands dozens of times. Laughter tugged at everyone's heart strings and whether we left empty-handed or with 1 or 2 prizes, all had huge smiles on their faces - it was such a fun game. The Projects Committee extends its thanks to all who contributed prizes and played. The proceeds of \$680 will be alloca-ted to the 75th Anniversary State Convention in 2012.



Poor man's Bingo...lots of good-natured DKG fun!

Also Friday night, several of the chapters that brought canned and dried goods for the State College Food Pantry first built sculptures with the donations. From the Grand "Can"yon to the winning **Delta Kappa Gamma red rose constructed by Beta Kappa**, every sculpture was a wonderful example of the creative spirit of DKG sisters. Saturday morning in the First





Keynote Speaker Dr. Muriel O'Tuel

General Session, Dr. Muriel O'Tuel delivered an inspirational keynote address. This DKG member and author of Footprints on the Heart touched us all with her humorous and heartwrenching tales of the footprints which have been left on her heart. In the end, she encouraged all there to appreciate the footprints of others and to continue to leave footprints of our own.

We also had the great opportunity to meet and hear from **Dr. Sigrún** Klara Hannesdóttir, International 2nd Vice President, throughout the weekend. Not only did she share news from the international level with us. she told of her "Heartsongs": traveling and enjoying the members of DKG. This awesome Icelander has traveled to 80 of 100 countries she aspires to visit.



Dr. Sigrún Klara Hannesdóttir, International Second Vice President

At each gathering, members from across Pennsylvania shared what their personal "Heart-songs" were: love of a rich Polish heritage, an appreciation for antiques, a joy in receiving and giving love/like messages, just to name a few. Then, the Alpha Alpha State Chorus captured the favorite "Heart-songs" of our membership with tunes about travel, gardens, music, and country at the Saturday night banquet.



The Alpha Alpha State Chorus captured our hearts with their songs!

Other "Heart-song" moments included the celebration of chapters' birthdays as well as the recognition of members in attendance with 40 years or more of membership in DKG; the handing over the red roses from out-going chapter presidents to the newly-elected presidents; and the often-humorous and always interesting acceptance speeches made by this year's scholarship and enrichment grant recipients.(See page 11)

In short, like the musicians of a symphonic orchestra, nearly 300 DKG sisters played their "Heart-songs" at this year's convention. We left enriched by the songs of others and confirmed in our own. So, what are your "Heart-songs?" Come! Share them at the 74th Alpha

Alpha State Convention in June of 2011!

She is a K-5 principal in the Lancaster School District working toward a Doctor of Education degree at Widener University.



Jamie Bielecki-Quinn from Alpha Lambda Chapter received the Blanche Foster Award. She is a Secondary Guidance Counselor in the Connellsville Area School District pursuing a PhD in Educational Psychology at Capella University.



Terri Landis, Beta Delta Chapter, was awarded the Dr. Irene M. Murphy Award. Terri is a primary teacher in the Dover Area School District working on a Master's in Educational Leadership at Shippensburg University.



The Marian Spitzer Roebling
Scholarship was awarded to **Karen L. Matis** who is a member of Alpha
Sigma Chapter. She is a teacher of
English, journalism, reading, and
research in the Shenango Area
School District. Karen will be
working for a D.Ed. in Curriculum
and Instruction at the Indiana
University of Pennsylvania.

Ten Enrichment Grants were awarded to educators who will have many enriching heartfelt stories to tell to us all next year.



Rose Ann Fulena and her mother Stephanie Fulena from Alpha Sigma Chapter will enjoy a travel/study to Italy. Rose Ann is a Math Teacher in the



Union Area School District and Stephanie is a retired Coordinator/Teacher/Director of Union School District.



**Gail Braun**, a member of Beta Chapter and a Life Skills Teacher in the Hamburg Area School District, is traveling to Scotland.



Louise L. Garverick, Past Alpha Alpha State President, a member of Beta Kappa Chapter, and a retired art teacher from Fairfield Area School District, will be pursuing a travel/study adventure to France.



**Linda Lubben** from Delta Chapter is a retired superintendent from Holland Township in New Jersey. She will be exploring the Luberon region of Provence.



**Dorothy O'Neill** is a member of Phi Chapter and a retired Director of Guidance from the Wayne Highlands School District. She is planning a travel/study to Japan.



Janet Shockey from Alpha Delta Chapter is a retired elementary teacher from the Shanksville-Stonycreek School District in America's County – Somerset County. She will be traveling to England, France, Switzerland, and Germany.



Maureen A. Socha, a member of Pi Chapter is a retired elementary reading teacher from the Northern Tioga School District. In January/February 2011, Maureen will travel across the Pacific to Guam, Saipan, and the Mariana Islands.



Susan R. Tonzetich is from Lewisburg and Sigma Chapter. She is a Secondary Spanish Teacher in the Shikellamy School District. Susan will be taking an educational travel/study adventure to Costa Rica.

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#### Scholarship/Enrichment Grants Continued from page 11



**Donna L. Winch** from Beta Theta Chapter is a music teacher/specialist in K-8 in the Infinity Charter School. She will attend the Summer Institute Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio.



Pennsylvania is ecstatic to have an International Scholarship recipient again. She is **Sharon Ferringer** from Alpha Iota Chapter who received the Zora Ellis International Scholarship. Congratulations Sharon!!!

Thank you to the Scholarship Committee – Marlene Buljat, and Lois Brown – who worked so capably at the convention. We missed Gayle Goltra and Carole Hostetter. All worked very conscientiously this year. Appreciation is sent to Peggy Critchfield for making the many attractive certificates. Special thanks to President Susan 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.

# **Doctorate Awardee Recognized**

by Alice Hudak, Professional Affairs Committee Member

One of the highlights at the Celebration Luncheon during convention this year was acknowledging **Marjorie Paradise** for her accomplishment in completing her doctoral dissertation: "Student and Administrator Perceptions of Alternative Education Programs." Marj completed her doctorate in May 2010 at Immaculata University.

Before transitioning to the school setting, Marj worked in psychiatric hospital settings as a social worker and therapeutic activities director.

Marj is currently the corresponding secretary for Chi Chapter. Her community involvement is impressive...as is the fact that she is the mother of seven and proud grandmother of five. I wonder what she and hubby, Steve, do in their "spare" time??? She assured me she cherishes those moments spent with the family.

Marj, your Alpha Alpha State sisters are proud of you. Congratulations, Dr. Marjorie Paradise.

#### 2010 Woman of Distinction Awards

by Alice Hudak, Professional Affairs Committee Member

On Friday, June 11, 2010, The Assembly Room at the Nittany Lion Inn was overflowing with anxious Delta Kappa Gamma members from across the state. Each was awaiting the Woman of Distinction Award Ceremony. (See photo on page 1) Twenty-six "sisters" were honored this year. These women received an honor or distinction for service rendered by an organization or group NOT affiliated with Delta Kappa Gamma. This recognition by an outside source is a confirmation that the woman is someone who is committed to and lives the Purposes of the Society.

The 2010 Woman of Distinction winners include Carmen Banfill, Omicron; Amy Buddock, Beta Omicron; Sharon Clapper, Alpha Delta; Janice Duerr, Beta Mu; Mary Fetrow, Kappa; Nancy Garabed, Alpha Nu; Louise Garverick, Beta Kappa; Carole Hepner, Sigma; Carol Herbert, Alpha Sigma; Claudia Jones, Iota; Joy Knapik, Sigma; Mindy Leonard, Alpha Delta; Anna Marie Mauro, Alpha Nu; Linda O'Connor, Omega; Ursula Payne, Alpha Sigma; Anita Pence, Nu; Jean Ann Saville, Beta Mu; Judith Schaffer, Alpha Upsilon; Toni Schooley, Alpha Sigma; Mary Schorman, Alpha Mu; Carol Scott, Alpha Xi; Florence H. Sherwood, Alpha Rho; Ann Shoemaker, Beta Gamma; Dr. Mary Todoro, Alpha Sigma; and Deborah Yargar-Reed, Beta Kappa.

# Congratulations to all of the recipients!



Among the 26 Woman of Distinction awardees were L-R: Linda O'Connor, Judy Schaffer, Claudia Jones, and Amy Buddock along with Professional Affairs Chair, Karen Tinstman

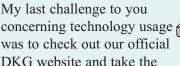
#### **Published in DKG Bulletin**

Anita Vance had her viewpoint on Interdisciplinary High School Teams for 21st Century Academic Skills published in the Spring, Volume 76-3 issue of The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin.

Congratulations, Anita!

#### In Touch with Tech

by Bonnie Barnes





"TQ" self assessment survey offered under DKG Tech Talk. If you did not have the opportunity to do this, that's understandable. We're at the end of the school year and there are not enough hours in the day to "get-rdone!" We all need 28 hour days and an 8 day work week, (excluding our retired sisters, who have all the time in the world). LOL (...that's text short-hand encouraging you to "laugh-out-loud.")

Well, the challenge to use technology has continued albeit in another task. In our last issue of The Keystonian, page 19, an important message from our editor, Terri Stetler, appeared. She informed us that the fall Keystonian will be published "online" for all members having an email address. To read the next issue, all we have to do is open our email. If we want a "hard-copy," we will have to print it ourselves. For those sisters not having an email address, a "hard-copy" will be sent to them via "snail-mail." Translated this means that non-technology sisters will get their Keystonian delivered to their home address by the US Postal Service.

Many pro and con views can be raised about this change but the bottom line is this: technology is here to stay and adaptability to this change is the key. Since we are all key women educators, we understand and embrace this capacity to adapt. We realize that education is a fluid, ever-changing thing. What we did "in-the-old-days" before technology took all day: study units; bulletin boards; assessments; lesson plans. Now, with technology, those tasks can all be completed so much faster with time left over to do so much more. So, in essence, technology has enabled us to create the 28 hour day and the 8 day work week.

Now that I have tweaked your ire, let me redirect you to President Stamm's message on page 2 of the recent Kevstonian. She wants us to 'rekindle our passion' and become 'heart starters' by living in the present. She wants us to step out of our 'comfort zone' and try new things. The close of the school year is a perfect opportunity to do this via technology. Begin by using your computer and search out fun things to see and do in your area. Seek out free, online tutorials to learn Microsoft Word or Excel programs. Take an online college course from your Alma Mater. Take a virtual tour of Hershey, PA, and get a head start on NERC 2011. By using technology, you have a complete reference source at your fingertips. Explore and enjoy.

# Announcing Staff Vacancy

The Ad Hoc Personnel Committee of Alpha Alpha State is announcing a staff vacancy for the position of **State** 

Editor, effective July 1, 2011. Please share this information with your chapter members and encourage interested and qualified individuals to apply. There is information regarding this position in the Alpha Alpha State By-Laws, Article VI, Section 6; Article IX Section 3, H; Article X, Section 2, A; and Standing Rules IX, A, 1-7.

The deadline to apply is Jan 1, 2011.

For further information and applications, please contact: Barbara Clark, Ad Hoc Personnel Committee Chairman



# STATE RULES COMMITTEE SEEKS PROPOSALS

by Suzanne Long, Chairman

The Alpha Alpha State Rules Committee is seeking recommendations for amendments/revisions to the Alpha Alpha State By Laws and Standing Rules. State officers, state committees, chapters and/or individual members may make such recommendations. Each proposal must be clearly stated and accompanied by a rationale and a statement of fiscal impact. Include contact information to facilitate the Rules Committee Chair's follow-up after the Rules Committee has considered all proposals.

Proposals for amendments/revisions must be submitted to the Rules Committee Chair with a postmark or e-mail date no later than October 15, 2010. Send to:

Suzanne Long, Rules Committee Chair



#### **Cornetet Awards**

Sarah M. Becker and Sharon Ferringer have received Cornetet Professional Development Awards. Sarah will attend the National Art Education Association Annual Conference and Sharon will attend an Educational Leadership Theory and Practice course at Edinboro University.

Congratulations, Sarah and Sharon!

To apply for Cornetet awards go to the new international web site under www.educatoredge.org (applications)

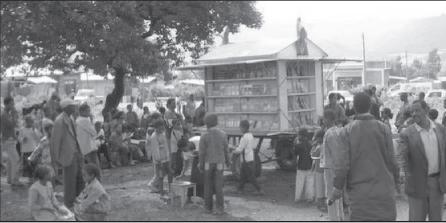
#### ETHIOPIA READS THANKS DKG FOR FUNDS FOR DONKEY LIBRARY

by Julie M. Evans, Ethiopia Reads volunteer

An excited crowd welcomed the DKG-funded Ethiopia Reads donkey library with shouts and singing its first day in Bui, Ethiopia. Bui is 80 miles southwest

of Addis Ababa. Masresha Kibret, manager of day-to-day operations in Ethiopia, wrote this beautiful description of the cart's first day and this thank-you for DKG:

"A unique presence (the donkey mobile library) comes out from its station. (There are) shouts everywhere... songs... slogans:



library) comes out from its station. (There are) shouts DKG's 2009 donation to Ethiopia Reads helped fund this mobile library for children in rural Ethiopia. (The donkeys are grazing elsewhere). These children have rarely, if ever, held a book in their hands outside school.

Photo by Matt Andrea

no chance to have an access for story books. No way to see the other world. No one knows the pleasure that comes from reading. Thank you, our supporters. You

it came children had

The donkeys with their decorations attract everyone's

attention. Yes, it is a breathtaking event for Bui. Before

Now, the donkeys are grazing and children are reading to fill their hungry brains."

give us birth with a

new vision.

Besides helping fund the donkey library, DKG's 2009 donation also helped

fund the printing of the children's bilingual book, *Trouble*, which is by author Jane Kurtz, DKG's 2009 conference speaker. Sales will help Ethiopia Reads establish and improve children's libraries in Ethiopia

Visit Jane's website at janekurtz.com. To order *Trouble* online: On Amazon.com, find "*Trouble* by Kurtz"; click "new"; then choose seller DOWNHOME-BOOKS, which sells the bilingual edition and donates profits to Ethiopia Reads. To order *Trouble* otherwise, sign up for the Ethiopia Reads newsletter, learn more or make donations, go to **ethiopiareads.org**.

'Bread and books for children! Readers are leaders-Ethiopia Reads! Those who read bloom! Libraries for rural development!' (The people) all start to accompany (the cart) and express their joy.

The children, government senior officials and parents blessed their God for the chance they got. Finally, they reach at the place where there is a big fig tree. The donkey library parked under its shadow. The cart doors opened. It was filled with many children's books and stools. Everybody can't hide (their) excitement.

# CHAPTER NEWS

#### **BETA DELTA**



Shown L-R during the presentation are Dr. Irene Murphy, Board President Arthur Smith, and Brenda Funke.

The Beta Delta Chapter donated books to Washington Street Elementary School in memory of Helene Rouzer, former principal. Presenting the check for \$150 to Arthur Smith, Hanover Public School District's School Board President, are Dr. Irene Murphy and Brenda Funke.

Submitted with photo by Shirley Stitley

Send all chapter news and photos for the fall issue of *The Keystonian* by August 1, 2010 to:

Terri Stetler, State Editor

# CHAPTER NEWS

# THETA Rosemary Hulsman Receives POWER'S WINDOW OF HOPE Award

On Thursday, May 13, at Heinz Field's West Club Lounge our own Rosemary Hulsman was honored at POWER PROMISES -A Night of Hope. She was presented with the "Window of Hope" Award for her continued hard work and dedication to the women of P.O.W.E.R.

Rosa Davis, Executive Director writes: "Rosemary has been a dedicated volunteer and community ambassador for POWER from its earliest days to the present. She was a POWER advocate at

the start and one of the vocal supporters in the Swissvale community when POWER opened the doors of its residential treatment site in 1991. From morning walks with our clients to initiating POWER's relationship with Delta Kappa Gamma, she has made an



overwhelmingly positive difference in the lives of POWER women."

As she accepted her award, Rosemary spoke about us, her Theta sisters, and how we continue to support the women of P.O.W.E.R in different ways. She expressed her gratitude to all of us. Rosemary was gracious, humble, and beautiful as she stood on the stage with the City of Pittsburgh behind her. With tears in their eyes and pride in their hearts, Debbie Beozzo, Linda Evans, Janet Falkowski, Nancy Kodman,

Jennifer O'Connor, and Pat Zinger represented Delta Kappa Gamma. Debbie's husband, Sy, and Rosemary's son were also present to celebrate this special honor.

Submitted by Patricia Zinger; photo by Debbie Beozzo

#### **ETA**

#### **DKG Shares Literacy Expertise with United Way**



Participants in the literacy manual presentation L-R: Cheryl Flinchbaugh, chapter past president; Mary Goodwillie, chapter project chairman; Christy Renjilian; Susan Martin, chapter president; and Susan Stamm, Alpha Alpha State President.

Members of Eta Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International recently presented Christy Renjilian, Senior Director of Community Initiatives of York County United Way with a resource manual for planning Literacy Night programs for primary grade students. The presentation took place at the annual DKG combined chapters meeting held at the Great American Saloon,] in Red Lion on Saturday, April 10. The mission of DKG is to "promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education," and local members are committed to developing working partnerships within the community toward that end. Eta educators worked collaboratively over the course of

more than a year to design and publish the manual which provides directions, guidelines and materials pertinent to the planning of a Literacy Night program.

The Literacy Night experience, which in recent years had been offered annually by Eta members for York City students who were considered "at-risk," was intended to foster the development of the love of reading and to provide their parents with instructions for reading strategies to use at home. A typical Literacy Night evening included the provision of a family meal, a small group interactive read-aloud by a volunteer Eta educator, and a take-home gift bag for each child including a free book, a white board, and marker. Part of Eta's vision in sharing the resource manual with the United Way is to expand the number of students who could possibly benefit from Literacy Night experiences.

One of the initiatives that falls under Renjilian's leadership is Focus on Our Future, a United Way Success By 6<sup>TM</sup> program. Its mission includes the enhancement of the quality of early childhood education in York County and the preparation of children to succeed in school. "The partnership between Eta and Focus on Our Future is a key example of community organizations working together for the educational benefit of our youngest students," said Eta project chairperson, Mary Goodwillie. "We are very excited about the next phase of our contribution of the manual, which will be the addition of an annotated bibliography to guide Focus on Our Future in selecting high quality books for use in planning Literacy Night lessons."

# **NERC NEWS**

by Royce Boyd and Dr. Lyn Schmid



Next summer at this time, we all will be Busy Bees preparing for the Northeast Regional Conference at Hershey, PA, July 18-23! There are several items to note for discussion during your upcoming chapter meetings.

- Royce Boyd, Conference Coordinator, has anew contact email address as of July 1st. It is rboyd@cksd.k12.pa.us
- We have several items for sale to fund "Pennsylvania Night" at the conference.

  NERC 2011 pins in the shape of the

  Commonwealth of PA are \$5. Magnet Ribbon holders for your pins can be purchased for \$12.

  The Lucinda Rose pins are now \$10 and make wonderful gifts for new members.
- Royce and Dr. Lyn Schmid have been scouring the Commonwealth for affordable, famous PA talent as a feature act for "Pennsylvania Night." They went to a performance of The Vogues in western Pennsylvania and loved them. However, they may be out of our price range. If you have any contacts for other recognizable Pennsylvania groups or talent, please contact Royce with the information.
- We are seeking items that will be presented to the conference delegates that are "Made in Pennsylvania." For what is your area of the Commonwealth known? Apples from Adams? Lebanon bologna? Erie grape products? Pretzels from Lancaster? Heinz pickles? Do you get the idea?! What could your chapter or the chapters in your region provide? Again, contact Royce with possibilities.

It is hoped that Dr. Schmid will be elected to be the Northeast Regional Director at the upcoming International Convention in Spokane, WA. As such, she will be in charge of the conference. Her training will be held this September at which time she and the other Regional Directors will learn the theme and format for all five Regional Conferences. The assignments of work for all of us will take place then. We are looking forward to presenting Pennsylvania as the Keystone State in the Northeast Region in 2011!

## **FALL AREA CONFERENCES**

Once again, the Alpha Alpha State Leadership Committee is offering the opportunity of leadership development for every chapter member during the upcoming Fall Area Conferences.

Everyone will attend the opening morning session; there we will focus on "Celebrate What's Right with the World" and how being one's best for the world suggests an attitude of service and an ability to offer our very best without worrying about how it is received. This motivational video helps us to focus on the positive. The second morning session will provide each chapter chairman and member of a committee to meet with their Alpha Alpha State Chairman for exchanging information, ideas and planning for the biennium.

After lunch a tremendous opportunity awaits members who are looking for new ideas to move their chapters forward.

Incoming chapter presidents are encouraged to register their officers and committee members for the conference in their area, plan carpooling and attend!

#### **Schedule:**

1 - 3 p.m.

8 - 9 a.m.	Registration and continental breakfast
9 - 9:25 a.m.	Welcome and introductions President Susan Stamm and her officers bring general updates on state activities and news from the International Convention in Spokane
9:30-11 a.m.	The Leadership Development Committee presents "Celebrate What's Right with the World" in general session for everyone
11:15-Noon	All state committee chairmen or their designees direct information sessions for their chapter counterparts
Noon - 1 p.m.	Lunch provided by the host chapter

Meetings of particular topics

# Celebrate What's Right...With Your Chapter, Our State and the World

#### **EAST**

#### Beta Iota, Host Chapter

Saturday, October 16, 2010

#### Radisson Penn Harris Hotel & Convention Center

1150 Camp Hill Bypass Camp Hill, PA 17011

Reservations: 1-800-395-7046 US/Canada Toll-free Telephone: (717) 763-7117 Fax: (717) 763-7120

Room Rate: \$109 + tax (single or double)

until Sept 17th

http://www.radisson.com/camphillpa

Please print or type ONE NAME per form. Send this entire form with check payable to Delta Kappa Gamma to:

Susan Hockley

# Tables



**Reservations Deadline: September 17, 2010** 

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#### **WEST**

#### Alpha Sigma, Host Chapter

Saturday, September 25, 2010

#### Union Area Middle/High School

2106 Camden Ave. New Castle, PA 16101

#### **Hotel Accommodations: Hampton Inn**

2608 West State Street New Castle, PA 16101 (1.3 miles from the school) Opening late June, 2010

Directions: See Map Quest or GPS

Please print or type ONE NAME per form. Send this entire form with check payable to Alpha Sigma Chapter Delta Kappa Gamma to:

Rita Elsesser



Reservations Deadline: September 4, 2010

#### Conference Registration and Meals: \$30.00

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# Nancy B. Grove Continued from page 20

vision in starting this fund has allowed other leaders to develop such programs as the Creative Arts Retreat and provided seed money for the Notan Design Cards being created by our members for the Northeast Regional Conference at Hershey in 2011. She also presided over the Leadership Management Seminar, a biennial event held in PA from the late 1980's through 2000. As she represented us at state, regional, and international conventions, one could realize Nancy's gifts - a natural leader, with a gentle heart and a will of steel. She was initiated into Alpha Upsilon, and later transferred to Beta Beta Chapter. At her passing she was a 40 year member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

She was honored for her work in 2006 with the Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award. While she was deeply touched, she never did any of these things to gain recognition. It was just who she was - a good leader who cared, who encouraged, who supported, and who praised the members.

Nancy was born December 8, 1942 in Natrona Heights, grew up in Erie, and earned her degrees from Westminster College and the University of Pittsburgh. She inspired students in the Natrona Heights area for 24 years as an elementary teacher, and spent the last 10 years of her career as an elementary principal in York County. She retired from the Red Lion School District in 1998. When she and her husband, Bruce relocated to Williamsburg, VA, she continued to inspire and teach as she interpreted history to tourists visiting the Jamestown Settlement.

Nancy Grove served Alpha Alpha State with grace and dignity. Nancy will live on in our hearts, and through the visionary legacy she established for the future of our Society.

Submitted by Kay Stuart, Suzanne Long and Terri Stetler

# In Memoriam

June R. Arthurs

January 27, 2010

June retired from the North Hills School District in 1995 where she had been a Business Education Teacher and advisor to DECA. After joining Alpha Xi Chapter in 1984, she was an active member and had served as Yearbook Chair, Communications Chair, and Corresponding Secretary.

# Dorothy L. Barsumian

May 31, 2009

Having been initiated in 1967 into Chi Chapter, Dorothy

regularly attended meetings, worked on various committees, and supported chapter projects. In her 22 years of service to Buchanan Elementary School in Lancaster, she nurtured a love of learning as well as music in her students.

## Ethel M. Broske

December 14, 2009

A beloved member of the Visual and Performing Arts committee, Ethel was still serving Chi Chapter (initiated in 1963) at the age of 98 as the pianist. She had served as chapter president and vice president, as well as many chairman roles. She was a treasured music teacher who also taught mathematics during her 35 years at Donegal School District.

# Marie A. Canedy

March 16, 2010

Having served on numerous committees, Alpha Zeta lost beloved sister Marie. She had served the Troy Area School District as a Business Education teacher for over 40 years.

# Marjorie G. Cosgrove

February 7, 2010

Marjorie was initiated in 1957 as a member of Tau Chapter, and later became an active member of Beta Sigma, serving in all areas and attending meetings until she was unable to because of her health. She had served the Lake Lehman schools as a librarian for many years.

# Mary A. Desmone

November 27, 2009

Alpha Upsilon received Mary as a transfer from Alpha Chi. She had served on the World Fellowships Committee for Alpha Upsilon. Her contributions to education and community included CCD, Catholic Daughters of America, PSEA, NEA and Girl Scouts.

# Virginia S. Eshleman

January 15, 2010

A 1968 initiate of Chi Chapter, Virginia served on various committees and attended meetings regularly. She was employed by Armstrong Cork Company and Science Press during WW II. She later taught at M.J. Brecht School, retiring in 1983.

# Estella K, Fridy

July 10, 2009

Estella began her career in a one room school house in 1938. She joined Chi Chapter in 1956, serving in many

leadership roles including chapter president during 1960-62. She was an officer in the Lancaster Archaeology Society, and headed the committee that published the booklet *The Story of the Susquehannocks*.

## Margaret Gray

March 11, 2010

Margaret served Alpha Upsilon in a variety of ways, including Social Chair, Intercultural Relations, Retired Teachers Pioneer Women, and more since 1974. She had been a Latin and German Teacher for the Aspinwall/Fox Chapel School District, as well as a former board member of the Mars Home for Youth.

# Helen H. Goldfelder

October 2, 2009

Helen was a veteran teacher in the South Williamsport School District, having earned a M.Ed in English. She was initiated into Omicron Chapter in 1984. She was loved by many of her students.

# Kathy J. Lazor

March 19, 2010

Despite only been initiated in 2005, Kathy left her mark on Alpha Beta Chapter. She had served on the World Fellowships Committee, and received the Woman of Distinction Award. At the time of her death, she was the Tussey Mountain School District elementary principal, and had earned a number of prestigious awards through the years.

#### Mary E. Mazanet

February 3, 2010

Mary was a Charleroi Area Jr. High School Home Economics Teacher. Initiated in 1962, she served Alpha Psi as chair of various committees.

#### Annette W. Miller

December 13, 2009

Having served the School District of Lancaster for 42 years as teacher and elementary principal, Annette was selected to join Chi Chapter in 1956. She attended meetings regularly, served on various committees and supported chapter projects.

### Rosaline M. Piazza

February 28, 2010

After being initiated in 1974, Rosaline was named to Outstanding Secondary Educators of America in 1975. She taught for 35 years, holding a M.Ed. and Reading Supervisor's Degree. She was a beloved member of Alpha Iota.

### Judith A. Scancella

April 1, 2010

An active member of Beta Pi Chapter since 2005, Judith made her mark, most recently by hosting the Spring Tea/New Member Meet-n-Greet. She had been employed as a teacher aid in the Upper Merion School District for 25 years.

### Joanna B. Schott

March 9, 2010

Joanna served the Washington High School as a Social Studies teacher from 1951-1981. As a member of Alpha Psi since 1963, she had been chairman of the initiation committee and served on several others.

### Dorothy Sten

November 26, 2009

Dorothy was a long time member of DKG, having been initiated in 1964. She was a member of Beta Zeta, and had taught Home Economics at Trinity High School for 38 years.

# Priscilla E. Cuff Stokes

August 31, 2009

Priscilla "Betty" was an elementary teacher for the Coatesville Area School District for more than 44 years. She was an avid sports fan, loved to travel, and served as a tutor at her church. She was a charter member of Beta Omicron.

# Ethel Marie Wagner

February 6, 2010

Beta Mu was honored to have Ethel as a charter member and past president. She was a 1968 initiate. She had taught nursing arts at Women's Medical College, and later public school nursing in the Perkiomen School District.

## June Wood

February 18, 2010

Having taught in Ohio as well as Pennsylvania, June served Alpha Iota on various committees and had shared her leadership as a past president. She was initiated in 1978.

#### **REMINDER**

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





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#### DEADLINE FOR THE KEYSTONIAN August 1, 2010

# In Memoriam

No one truly dies; they live on in the hearts of those who love them.

Marolane Stevenson

On June 3, 2010, a new star was placed in the heavens with the passing of one of our beloved sisters, Past Alpha Alpha State President, Nancy B. Grove. "Realizing Visions... DKG Leadership" was the theme for Nancy's biennium, but it was more than just words on a paper. It was her way of life.

She helped us to realize our own personal visions as she traveled across the state meeting her sisters and forging cherished friendships. Those individuals who knew her will all have an individual remembrance of how she touched their lives. Perhaps none will be as meaningful as that chapter member who suffered from a violent attack at school. Nancy showed such dedicated support for this colleague and the students in that building as they dealt with tragedy.

She also helped us to realize visions

NANCY B. GROVE



Alpha Alpha State President 1993-1995

for our chapters, encouraging us to look to our seven purposes as we plan for the future of the organization. She reminded us that as members we have a responsibility to be involved in the work of the Society. But encouragement and reminders were only part of Nancy's leadership. She never forgot to praise the efforts of the membership. Her fondest memory as state president was being able to visit the chapters across the state, learning first hand of the wonderful and progressive happenings in each chapter.

At the state level, Nancy's vision and leadership continued. The Visionary Fund, a fund used for projects and programs that involve the growth and development of Alpha Alpha State and the members began with Nancy. Her

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