

Xi Chapter Newsletter—Summer 2023

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Xi Chapter May 20th Meeting

What were Xi Chapter members doing on World Bee Day, May 20, 2023? They were learning about bees! Robert Reed, beekeeper and expert from Tamaqua, explained the importance of bees in our lives. Reed showed two different colored honey jars and explained the reasons for different colors: light is spring honey and dark is fall honey. Xi Chapter's May 20 meeting was held at Carmelo's Roman Delight in Orwigsburg. Thanks to Roseann Klees (who discovered after the meeting that May 20 is National Bee Day), we learned our meeting was in tune with the bee celebration.



Scholarship Committee Meeting

Stephanie Kaye and committee members worked on the scholarship application at the March 16th meeting at Two Kings Pizzeria. Suggestions included asking applicants to add their email and cell phone number and rewording the prompt. Advertisements in local newspapers and online sites were discussed. Applications must be returned by October 1. Please encourage college students from Schuylkill County who have completed their sophomore year as an education major to apply for this scholarship.

XI CHAPTER PLANNING MEETING

July 11, 2023 at 11:30 AM - Ruby Tuesday in Pottsville

Nine Xi Chapter members met to discuss the plans for the 2023-24 meetings. **Tentative dates** were chosen; more details will be given in future meeting notices.



October 7 - Tamaqua Train Station, Noon. Induction of Janice Blair and Carol Sutzko. Coordinator: Stephanie Kaye
December 9 - St. Paul's Church, Orwigsburg, 11:30 a.m. Penny Auction for charity Coordinator: Barbara Lafko and Roseann Klees.
January Zoom Session - Dr. June Klees will present "Intergenerational Dialog," a program that she developed. Coordinator: Marie Nester
April 13 - Coordinator: Janice Blair.
July 9 - Ruby Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. Summer 2024 Planning Meeting.

2023 Delta Kappa Gamma Pennsylvania State Organization Convention & Purposeful Seminar

The State Convention provides an opportunity to meet and learn more about other Pennsylvania chapters and their members and to attend informative sessions about Delta Kappa Gamma and new programs. This year Rita Tamalavage, Cathy Zimmerman, and Marie Nester attended Thursday's sessions at the Wyndham Lancaster Resort & Convention Center in Lancaster, PA. One of the informative sessions was called "COM-MUN-I-CATE with CANVA." The presenter taught us how to use a publishing program that can help with all types of communication, and this program is available for free.



Thank you to everyone who gave a donation for the basket and to Ann Marie Keyes for arranging and adding to the Xi Chapter basket. Our colorful basket included all the items listed. On Thursday, Xi Chapter was identified as one of ten chapters to receive the 2022-2023 Chapter Newsletter & Website Award. After the President's Banquet on Thursday evening, all attendees formed a circle, held hands, and sang the Delta Kappa Gamma song—a powerful reminder that "firmly shall we stand."



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- Jewelry Stand
- Sulfragette (book)
- #1 Teacher Ornament
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- Bed slippers
- 10 hand-made notecards
- 10 DO List- paper pad
- Post-it notes
- Bread basket