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MISSION STATEMENT

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April 3, 2016

I have just finished two weeks of Spring Break. It was a glorious time! This is the first year that our school calendar allowed us two weeks off in the spring. Since we didn't have any make up snow days, we got two whole weeks! It was wonderful for me. Too bad it took my last year of teaching for the school to come up with such a great idea!

For me, the best time of a vacation is the first day. That is when I make my "Conquer the World To Do List." It consists of cleaning out the boys clothes that they left behind, washing the kitchen curtains, writing the DKG newsletter, etc. As the week goes on I always add a few items so that I can cross them off. These

items include taking a nap, going out for lunch, going out for dinner, and calling some friends.

One of my goals this Spring Break was going to school and cleaning and pitching. After all, I am retiring, and I don't want to be spending my June sorting out my treasures.

What do you do with 38 years of stuff? I left some wonderful items for my replacement, took 5 loads to the dumpster, 2 loads to recycling, and left 3 tables full of "please take me," for the teachers when they return on Monday. I contacted some girls that are in college too. Hopefully someone will take the stuff, because I refuse to cart it home.

Everyone tells me that retirement is wonderful. They ask me what I am going to do? I always respond, "Whatever I want!" Little do they know that I have 3 years of cleaning in my basement, and two years in my attic. Right now I am excited and ready for the challenge!

Happy Spring Cleaning to you! Sue



February Minutes

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Saturday, February 6, 2016

The Alpha Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at the T. J. Haase Winery in Clinton, Indiana at 9:00 a.m. with twenty-one members and one guest attending.

The meeting was hosted by Area 3. Addy Gideon welcomed everyone. Anna Ringwald offered the invocation. A delicious brunch was enjoyed by the group.

The guest speaker was Doug Haase, owner of T. J. Haase Winery, who spoke about the history of the winery and shared the wine making process with the members.

The meeting was called to order by President Sue Weber.

Minutes of the last meeting were included in the newsletter. Treasurer Anna Ringwald requested a correction in the amount collected for Schools in Africa. The total amount should have been \$132. The correction was noted and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer Anna Ringwald reported a balance of \$2,286.23 in the treasury.

Correspondence secretary Gale Overbey shared a letter from Irma Lee Crist; a thank you note from the family of June Rendaci; and a thank you letter from Unicef for the donation to Schools in Africa.

Sue Weber reminded the members of the State Conference in Terre Haute on Saturday, April 23, 2016 and passed out registration forms, schedules of conference events, and a sign-up sheet to volunteer for jobs during the conference.

Volunteers were requested to provide staff treats at the schools during ISTEP week to promote DKG.

Area 5 offered an invitation to the next meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Friends Church. Any volunteers who are available are asked to meet at 5:00p.m., to help stuff goody bags for the State Conference.

The meeting was adjourned by President Sue Weber.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Huey

Recording Secretary



Come to our April Meeting!

Area 5 would like to invite you to our April 7th Meeting at Bloomingdale Friends Church. Tim Skinner will coming to speak before the dinner. The cost of the dinner is \$12.00. Susan McVay will be giving the program, "Harvest Mission to St. Kitts." Please turn in your reservation to your area chairmen or to:

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Audry Wood Grant-in-Aid

It is time to have students apply for the Audry Wood Grant-in-aid scholarship. This grant is awarded to any woman student that is enrolled in the school of education who is a resident of Parke or Vermillion Counties.

The amount of the grant is \$500. If you know of anyone who would like to apply please contact Professional Affairs Chairman, Janice Cole.

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Alpha Epsilon Spring Conference is Around the Corner!

Don't forget the Spring Conference coming up Saturday, April 23 at the Sycamore Banquet Center on the Indiana State Campus. Reservations can still be made to Sarah Sykes for \$40.

Council 10 is hostesses for the event. Here are the list of assignments for the day:

Registration and Goodie Bag Table

7:00-8:30 Sarah Sykes, Sandee Frey, Sue Weber, Gale Overbey, and Dianna Ross

8:30-10:00 Sarah Sykes, Addy Gideon, Janice Cole, Sande Bemis, Sue Woodard

Presiders over Sessions:

Sandee Frey: WWII Correspondent Ernie Pyle

Elaine Albers: Absolutely Amazing APPS

Anna Foltz: Read S'More

Sue Weber: Greeting Cards

Table Hostesses:

Dianna Ross and Catherine Weeks

Sue Weber and Gale Overbey

Anna Foltz and Sandee Frey

Conference Agenda

7:00-10:00 Registration
8:15 White Rose Ceremony
8:45 Meet ISU President
9:00 Executive Board Meeting
10:00-12:00 2 Break out Sessions
12:00 Entertainment, "Party of Five"
Birthday Luncheon,
Speaker: Mike Lunsford
2:00 General Session

Break Out Sessions to Choose:

10:00 to 10:50

"Monarch, Milkweeds, and More"
"Absolutely Amazing APPS"
"WW II Correspondent Ernie Pyle"
"Ideas to Inspire Writing"

11:00 to 11:50

"Herbs: Edibles and Medicinals"
"CRADLES of Clay County"
"Read S'More"
"Greeting Cards"

Janet O'Neal Seminar

This will be held during the Break Out Sessions. "What is PBWorks and how can it be used?" This session will provide participants with the opportunity to create a website. You must bring your own device.

To reserve a spot email:
rachelt@rcs.k12.in.ua



Baby News

Sarabeth and Andy Marcinko welcomed a new grandson, Rory William, on February 3rd. He is the son of Bill and Megan Marcinko of Annandale, Virginia. His older brothers are Sawyer (5) and Grayson (3).

Congratulations goes to Christian Crum and her husband, Rodney. They are proud parents of a little boy, Case Phillip Crum who was born on March 14, weighing 3 lbs and 13 oz. He was 17 inches long. Case was premature and is in the Nic Unit in Terre Haute. He is now 4lb and 10 oz. They are looking forward to him coming home soon.

Jacquie Mack's granddaughter Skyler, who was born January 31 at 1lb and 10 oz. is growing and improving each day. She was born 15 weeks early. She will stay in the Nic unit at Regional hospital until May.



Travel News

Addy Gideon and Sue Woodard traveled to San Francisco in February. They were lucky because the weather was unseasonably warm the week they were there. The sun shone every day. Their hotel was in the Fisherman's Wharf district and close to Pier 39 where the sea lions can be seen. There are also lots of

shops and restaurants there. They enjoyed all of the seafood available.

Addy and Sue rode the trolley to Union Square on their first evening there, then took a walk around the area. Alcatraz, the Golden Gate Bridge, and Bay Bridge were all visible from there.

They took a Grey Line Double Decker bus through the various neighborhoods. They saw Danielle Steele's house which is the largest and most expensive house in SF. They also saw the house where MRS.DOUBTFIRE was filmed, and many "painted ladies". Those are the colorful houses you see throughout the city. They spent some time at the Golden Gate Bridge, saw the Presidio, and Coit Tower among many other places.

Addy and Sue got off the bus in Chinatown and explored part of it. After catching another bus, they rode to Pier 39 and walked through it. They also took time to watch the sea lions.

That night they took a night tour on the double decker bus. Sitting on the top of a double decker bus at night wasn't a great idea. The city lights and the views were wonderful, but they froze!! The bus went across Bay Bridge to Treasure Island. They also had a longer than usual stop at the Golden Gate Bridge because a couple on the bus tripped over a curb in the dark and hit their heads. The woman was knocked unconscious. The bus waited until the ambulance came to get them. Not a great way for that couple to spend a vacation!!

They spent part of one day in Sausalito which has a lot of unique shops and galleries. It was amazing to see how the houses are built into the hills in both San Francisco and Sausalito. They took the ferry back to SF and got a close up look at Alcatraz. That evening they took the trolley all the way to the end of the line. They met a very interesting couple from Great Britain who had been traveling for seven weeks. They had been to many amazing places. The trolley driver pointed out many sights on the trip. It was interesting to see Lombard Street which is the most crooked street anywhere.

Addy and Sue also took a day trip to Napa Valley and Sonoma. It was beautiful countryside. They visited several wineries. That evening they did some shopping and enjoyed yet another seafood restaurant.

It was a great trip, and they managed to cram a lot into a few days.





Sarabeth and Andy Marcinko traveled to Annandale, Virginia to visit their new grandson February 25-29. They came home by way of Gatlinburg, Tennessee where they spent a few days with three other couples in a beautiful log cabin home. Highlights of the trip were a golf outing for the men, a walk in The Great Smoky Mountains National Park for the women, and dinner (no silverware, hands only) at the Dixie Stampede while watching the horse riders and other performers.



Next Newsletter Deadline

May 7, 2016

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Purposes

1. To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship.
2. To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education.
3. To advance the professional interest and position of women in education.
4. To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators.
5. To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators.
6. To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action.
7. To inform the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society.