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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



Alpha Chi Chapter

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

Alpha Chis Are Wild About Wild Birds Unlimited

President's Message

As I reflect over the past four years, I realize how quickly the time has passed and how much things can change in four years. Sadly, we have seen the passing of too many of our chapter members and dear friends. Yet our spirits have been lifted by the addition of new members who bring a wealth of enthusiasm and expertise to our group. Our involvement with Nora Elementary continues to expand, adding tutors and needed teacher supplies to every teacher at Nora who asks for a "Lifesaver". Our small but mighty group has had many interesting programs. We are prime examples of avid learners! It is my hope that our friendships deepen and our family of Alpha Chis grows.

Don't Forget- Next Meeting

Thursday, June 2 6:00 p.m. Home of Lynne Hurlbut Pitch-In and Plant Auction Program:

> Initiation of New Members Installation of New Officers Presentation of 25 Year Membership Certificate

Bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert. Drinks and meat will be provided. *****

Keeping in Touch

When you can, send a card or call these ladies.

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Jean Walters



Sheryl Sheperd, Vicky Hill, Donna Callis, Bev Ackerman, And Ruth Ann Arany. (Carol Rader photographer)

Chapter Committee and Officers Training (CCOT)

North: Saturday, June 18 South: Thursday, June 23

Send in your reservation

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The Delta Kappa Gamma State Convention in Terre Haute

was held on April 23rd. Alice Morton, Ellen Bernstein, and Lynne Hurlbut represented Alpha Chi chapter. Alice attended interesting break-out sessions on the monarch butterfly migration and the experiences of a couple who had taught in Alaska.

Our chapter had table space for selling the cards, bookmarks, and post-it note holders we had made. After expenses, we are pleased to announce we made \$150 to go towards the "Lifesaver" Program we have started for Nora elementary teachers. Everyone who stopped by thought our project was such a wonderful idea. We all know how quickly out-of-pocket expenses can add up for teachers.

The speaker, Mike Lunsford, is an author, columnist, and teacher. His wit and sense of humor charmed the audience and undoubtedly suits him well in the classroom.

Sharing experiences with other DKGs at our dining table was most interesting. We were fascinated by one lady who had just spent four years in Thailand opening a school, establishing curriculum, and overseeing the school's growth.

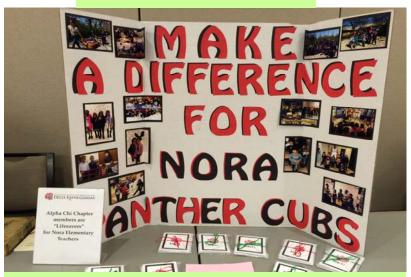
We all had a wonderful day, and we encourage everyone to attend the state conference next year. It will be here in Indianapolis, April 28-30 at the Lexington Hotel near the airport. Since our Council is responsible for the Convention, we will be asking for help in the following areas:

Registration Table Hostess Decorations Goody Bags Flowers

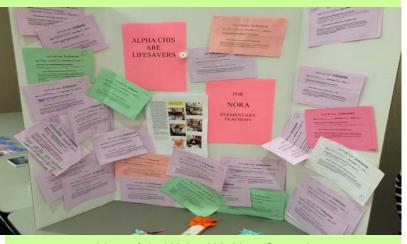
Selling at State Convention



Ellen Bernstein—Saleslady extrodinnaire!



Poster made by Amber Walters, Principal of Nora Elementary



Many of the Wishes We Have Granted

DID YOU KNOW?

- ♦ Alpha Epsilon state offers eight \$1,000 scholarships available to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study.
- One \$1,500 Ruth Shanks Scholarship for a guidance/counseling degree or endorsement.
- One \$2,500 scholarship for a member who has been admitted to a doctoral program.
- A \$350 Travel/Study Grant can be awarded to a member who is 55 or older, who is willing to write a brief essay about why you chose this particular opportunity to travel and study, and will share what personal growth you want to accomplish.
 A \$500 or less Mini-grant can be awarded for the professional development
- A \$500 or less Mini-grant can be awarded for the professional development of members on the basis of the member's project. Projects must show promise of making a significant contribution to the candidate's professional growth and to the field of education.

Washington Township Volunteer Recognition



Superintendent of Washington Township Schools, Nikki Woodson, personally thanked Bev Ackerman and Lynne Hurlbut for tutoring kindergarten and third grade students at Nora Elementary at the volunteer recognition reception on April 26. A very thoughtful gesture!

It is time to plan for next year's programs. Please bring your calendars and ideas for interesting places we could go and things we could do.

See you on June 2 at 6:00 p.m.