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## **Meeting Information ...**

Date: Saturday, Nov. 14

Time: 12 noon

Place: Houlihan's

Program: Guest Speaker

Meal: Order from the menu with separate

tickets!

## Who knew the Humane Society offered so much?

Sigma sisters met for October's meeting thinking they wouldn't learn a thing; they were SO wrong! From the moment President Ann Grant introduced guest speakers Jennifer Webber and Alyssa Leeson, we began to learn the true scope of the Humane Society. We were about to be educated!

Webber's sincerity came through in a triple dose when she began to talk about the animal project that has been aiding Gary residents. "Knowing the positive effects a pet can have on an individual or a family, we realized that there were reasons there were so many dogs on the streets. We decided to do something positive," Webber said.

The program they started offered shots and general check-ups and a return of the pet. The first year 1,100 dogs were caught and brought in. The Police Dept. worked with the Humane Society in collecting these animals and returning them, and this year it was only necessary to collect about one-third that amount. Offering people help with their pets definitely maintained the goals of their society. A big thank-you to both these women for a great program!

#### DKG ...

Active teachers should consider wearing their keypins to school and school events. There may be much more interest in our Society than we realize, and think how impressive your full ribbon will look at parents' night!

# Plan to Attend our November 14th Meeting



Sigma Chapter is blessed this vear to have a new initiate. Sue O'Donnell, membership chairmen, President Ann Grant, and past president, Shirley Hewlett, met in mid-October to tell Anna Rominger about our Society. Anna asked all the right questions and showed immediate interest in the work of DKG. She was offered the opportunity to attend a few meetings before making a decision, but she was already convinced and wanted to become a member now.

You will meet Anna when you welcome her after the Initiation Ceremony, which will begin at 12:15. Please be on time so that the waitresses have time to take your personal order before our beautiful Initiation
Ceremony begins. As
well, you will meet another potential member, who did choose to
meet with us before
deciding. How wonderful to be able to welcome new sisters after
a drought!

As soon as we have welcomed our new sister, we will enjoy our meal, and then John Gianotti will inform/entertain us concerning safety on the internet. Gianotti is a casual speaker and will no doubt have many episodes to tell about. You might even want to take some notes, as he will probably come out with his list of "don'ts," which in this case can make internet safety a whole lot easier. Don't be afraid to interrupt with questions. Considering the topic, if one person has that question, probably John will be the only one in the room with the answer.

"Everyone please take a bag and consider filling it with any of the items listed on the front. We could not accomplish what we do without the generosity of animal lovers like you."

— Alvssa Leeson, employee of

Alyssa Leeson, employee of the Humane Society



Most importantly, call Kathy Arbuckle as soon as possible if you will be attending, so she can keep Houlihan's up to date about our numbers! 219.923.7505

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### From Your President

**Greetings Sisters!** 

Excitement is in the air!

The air is crisp, the apple cider is flowing, everything is "coming up pumpkin" flavor, and we are thinking of our lives with thankfulness.

We are very

thankful to greet another "sister" at our banquet Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>. We are thankful as we enjoy a meal out - always!! (yum!)

We are thankful for the upcoming holidays to share family and friendships.

As you read through the awesome news-

letter, please mark your calendars for the meeting dates and Council 1 Brunch - at a country club this year, and the various State events offered for us.

See you soon!

— Ann Grant

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

excellence in education. "

### Just When You Think You Have a Great Idea ...

Okay, this is a bit personal; **someone told me "No!"** Can you believe that? I was so dumb-founded that I couldn't even come up with a begging please please please!

I'm talking about the speaker for December's meeting. I had hoped for you to learn about all the wonderful offerings of The Women's Center. I cannot tell you how much help they were to me and my granddaughter last year. But NO! They will not send anyone to my home to present a program to Sigma Chapter, even though we were going to give gifts to the center! Waaahhh!

So ... they won't get any gifts from Santa (Sigma), and we will instead have our regular Mitten Tree.

The December meeting will be on the first Thursday, Dec. 3, at 5 p.m. until you get tired, and it is at my home. Please bring your favorite dish to share. Last year with no guidance, we had a near-perfect meal. We can do it again! And I'll come up with something for the program. December doesn't disappoint!

## **December Meeting Information ...**

Date: Thursday, Dec. 3

Time: 5 p.m.

Place: Shirley Hewlett's home

Program: I'll think of something ...

Meal: Please bring a favorite dish to share.

And our mitten tree will go on as usual! I know an early shopper who will be happy about that!





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# Alpha Epsilon State Has a Facebook Page

Yes, and it's a perfect place to ask for help or find out what other members are doing.

To become a member, please send a request to Shirley Hewlett that contains your email address. Shirley is the moderator of the page, which is open to members only throughout our state.

Because you will be my Facebook friend, you will see the comments made on AE's page on your page and receive notifications when

Place address label here ....

Do you also want a Facebook Group page for Sigma Chapter? Perhaps someone would like to start one. We have tried before and found little interest, but that doesn't mean it wouldn't be important today.

someone posts, if you have set up your account that way. Your seeing those comments on your or my regular page does not mean others are seeing it; it's just because we are friends and actually makes it more efficient since you can choose the info you want without going directly to the Group page.