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Newsletter Submission Dates

Busy AGS Communication Chairs, Committee Chairs, Chapter Presidents, and State Officers, you can send info in anytime before the **submission dates** and up to two days before the **publication dates**. Just put "Newsletter" in the subject line.

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Thanks for continuing to send articles for our newsletter and working to keep our shut in members aware of what is happening with and in our State Organization!

Karen's Korner

by Karen Martin, State Organization President



Wow! What a ride! One that I will always remember. The latest thrill was ALPHA GAMMA State's Spring Convention. The weekend was an awesome experience and a huge success. Over 100 women visited Northern Kentucky to share in the events and experi-

ences offered by our UPSILON and ZETA Sisters. Great food, informative workshops and business and even an evening of Karaoke was shared by all.

International 1st Vice President Cathy Daugherty brought greetings from our International Leadership and spoke on the topics of involvement and leadership with members. Friends reconnected and many new friendships were formed with a record number of first timers attending. Many awards and achievements were recognized and the induction ceremony for Pascal Bailey and her new officers was absolutely beautiful. It was truly a weekend to remember for all who attended.

The past two years have been filled with many wonderful experiences. From Pikeville to Paducah, from Owensboro to Corbin, I have witnessed the great work being done in our Chapters. We continue to support teachers who are still working in the classroom, we contribute to the many community organizations in need of materials or supplies, and we remain dedicated to stay in tune with educational issues and lend our support wherever needed. I am extremely proud of the many key women educators in our society!

As I "dream" for the tomorrows of our Society, I hope that all members will continue their involvement in their Chapters and actively participate in the endeavors to increase our membership.

There are many dedicated and talented women out there who would benefit from all we have to offer. It is up to all of us to invite these deserving women into our Society.

I am not going "away" though. As a member of the Tulip Poplar Committee, I am dedicated to offering my support and knowledge to any Chapter or any member, as are the other members of this Committee. I have worked closely with several Chapters over the past few years and I intend to continue to do so. I am open to visiting any Chapter if requested. I will continue to keep all of you in my prayers and wish for nothing but continued success for all.

I hope that everyone continues to "Cherish Yesterday, Live for Today, and Dream for Tomorrow" in the days to come.

Did You Know...

Jennifer Bay Williams, XI, was elected to the National Council of Mathematics Board of Directors. Jennifer was also invited to give Keynotes at State Conferences—the Georgia Council of Supervisors of Mathematics, the West Virginia Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Wisconsin Council of Teachers of Mathematics as well as invited to do a featured session at NCSM.

Jennifer has had four books and five articles come out in 2014. XI Chapter and AGS is proud of her accomplishments in terms of trying to support mathematics teaching and learning. Jenny, Dr. Jennifer Bay-Williams is the current Chair and Professor in the Department of Middle and Secondary Education at the University of Louisville and a Member of the NCTM Board of Directors and a Past-President of the AMTE.

Please send in any and all member accomplishments so that we may support and cheer on our AGS sisters in their devotion to Education. No accomplishment is too small!

Educational Excellence Report

by Pascal Bailey, 1st Vice President



EXPLORE DKG.ORG

Have you explored our DKG website recently? You will find many resources of value. Navigate the tabs to find what you are looking for.

HOME has all of the newest information that is on the site such as promotional news and announcements. The latest International Newsletter, Get Connected is shown as well as the Spring Bulletin.

BOARDS lists all of the Board members that are available for us. Remember to contact them whenever you need anything.

COMMITTEES vary from our Mission and Purposes to the business of our Society. For those who pursue higher education, there are many scholarships available. Arts and Humanities Jury provides an online gallery of members' works. Next submission date is Aug 1-Sept 2.

EVENTS has all Regional Conferences and International Convention information. Look out Savannah and Nashville, here we come!!!

FORMS section has all of the forms you may need from the membership application to necrology reports.

LIBRARY section has all of the documents such as Ceremonies, Constitution, and resources that can be used on the Chapter level such as brochures, historical records, and music.

PUBLICATIONS link The DELTA KAPPA GAMMA Bulletin, DKG NEWS, President to President and Presidents' Page

STORE provides a place for you to spend your money!!!

WEBSITES will link you to our state website

GALLERY is a digital gallery of Fine Arts by members. Is it time for you to make a submission?



ALPHA GAMMA STATE GOLDEN GIFT LEADERSHIP MANAGEMENT SEMINAR (Compiled by Pascal Bailey)

- 1981: Kitty Baird, PHI
- 1982: Dr. Judy Rogers, BETA
She later transferred to MO, ALPHA BETA
- 1983: Eula Ewing Monroe, DELTA
- 1988: Jean Baugh, XI
Deceased IN 2010
- 1989: Patricia Sazy, THETA
She later resigned.
- 1994: Sue Story, MU
- 1999: Donna Smith Goodin, XI
- 2002: Janice James, XI
- 2012: Dr. Elizabeth C. Pyle, DELTA
- 2014: Jane M. Thompson, BETA

If you haven't been thinking about applying for this program, look for a session on this in Savannah. ALPHA GAMMA STATE is building strong Leadership capacity and is counting on YOU!



The Block is filling up!

Reserve your room now at the **Embassy Suites Lexington** for the

2015 Fall Workshop.

Ask for the Delta Kappa Gamma Society rate of \$145.95 per room singles or doubles. This price includes the Manager's reception and a cooked hot breakfast along with other amenities.

Registration form will be in this issue.

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Membership Report

by Kathy Zwanzig, 2nd Vice President



As one biennium closes and a new one begins, this is the time to reflect and look to the future. This past year we celebrated being Key Women Educators and sought out new Key Women Educators to join our Society. In the coming biennium, I am asking each individual and each Chapter what are the

“Locks” that each Key opens.

At the State Convention in April the Chapters who had initiated any new members were recognized. The Grand Key winner was ALPHA DELTA Chapter with thirteen initiates last year. ALPHA DELTA President Jessie Trotter declared that next year they will get at least that many more. They are using the Kentucky Department of Education new Teacher Evaluation requirement that teachers should belong to a professional organization to recruit new members. This is a great idea for every Chapter! The other Chapters recognized were RHO, ZETA, NU, CHI, ALPHA BETA, DELTA, XI, OMEGA, ALPHA ALPHA, ALPHA ZETA, and PHI. Congratulations! That’s about two-fifths of the Chapters. Let’s try to make it 100% for next year! I challenge each Chapter to initiate or reinstate at least two members this year. If you need help, just ask...ask Pascal, ask me, ask Beth, ask any of the Tulip Poplars!!! I assure you none of us will turn you down!

By now, many of you possess a Key to represent your contribution to our Profession and our Society. There are some Key necklaces, Key pins, and decorative Keys remaining. I will bring them to the Fall Leadership Workshop. If anyone wants some before then, contact me. I will send them for approximately the cost of the postage. Wearing the Key should remind us WHY we are members of DKG...each of us are KEY Women Educators!

As Key Women Educators, we need to think

about what are the “locks” that we can open as Key educators and members of DELTA KAPPA GAMMA. This new biennium, I will be working with the Educational Excellence Committee. I have not received my “charge” from Pascal or International yet. That comes during training at the Southeast Regional Conference at Savannah, Georgia in July. I am excited to learn the goals and directives they have for us!

Meanwhile, I want each of us to continue to remember that we are the Keys to DKG. We need to use our “keys” to unlock all of the possibilities before us. To what “locks” are you/your Chapter a key?

Programs to promote Educational Excellence:

- Can you do a presentation for a Chapter meeting?
- Can you do a presentation for an ALPHA GAMMA State, Southeast Regional, or International meeting?
- Are you creative? Do you have ideas for interesting and informative meetings?
- Would you agree to serving on a State Committee? (If so, contact Pascal Bailey immediately!! She is putting together her committees right now.)

Projects to promote Educational Excellence:

- Do you know of any projects or organizations that can use your/your Chapter’s talents?
- Do you have any connections?
- Can you organize a project?

I look forward to meeting the First Vice Presidents and/or the Educational Excellence Committee Chairs from every Chapter at the Fall Leadership Workshop in Lexington in September. At that time, I will be sharing the goals that Pascal is establishing for us. Come prepared to learn, share, and reunite with your DKG Sisters.

Additionally, please consider attending the Southeast Regional Conference in July, the ALPHA GAMMA State Convention in April 2016, and/or the DKG International Convention in July 2016. Not only are the meetings opportunities to learn, you get to meet Key Women Educators from around the State, the Southeastern United States, and the World! All of these ladies have the same passions as each of you. No one is a

stranger. Everyone is a true Sister. You also have the excuse to travel...to the beautiful, historical city of Savannah!...to Pikeville in Eastern Kentucky, where there is true Southern Hospitality and the DKG Sisters are warm, welcoming, intelligent, and FUN! And we hardly have an excuse NOT to go to The International Convention next Summer! It is being held in Nashville, Tennessee. These ladies are our next door neighbors and Nashville IS the Music City! Let's have a LARGE representation from Kentucky. I guarantee you will have a great time and learn so much!

Begin now to search for the "lock" to which you are the Key in DKG.

Chapter News

XI

XI Chapter notes for the Joint Luncheon

XI Chapter has been focused on recruiting new members and recharging our current membership. Each of our meetings this year has opened with a "mixer" to give members an opportunity to chat, learn something, and have a little fun.

This February we had a very special meeting, opening with an activity that tested our knowledge of DELTA KAPPA GAMMA. We worked in randomly assigned groups as we played a multiple choice trivia game presented on a cleverly-created PowerPoint.



After initiating two new members we held a beautiful recommitment ceremony rededicating ourselves to our Chapter and Society goals. A final

activity allowed us to view our wonderful Society scrapbooks documenting XI's history.

Our Chapter has also been busy fundraising for our Grant-in-Aide Scholarships by having a successful Accessory Sale during our holiday luncheon. Because of this event and other sales, we were able to award two scholarships to two deserving high school seniors who are potential teachers.

Our new Chapter Strategic and Action Plan is almost ready to present to our members in June providing us our vision and mission for the coming years.

SIGMA

SIGMA Chapter President, Carol Miller, attended the DKG City Luncheon and reports the following. I participated in a conversation regarding, membership, recruitment and opportunities. I mentioned that JCPS (Jefferson County Public Schools) has new teacher orientation and we might want to consider being a sponsor and setting up a booth where they could receive information and just meet DKG members. Plans are being made now for those events. JCPS has contacted me to see if we are still interested.

The events include:

- **Friday, July 24th Crown Plaza Hotel—9:30-12:00 New Teacher Orientation.** We could set up a booth promoting DKG and we could sign up to man the booth. Other booths will be raffling off items, we could put together a new teacher basket, or some other item for the raffle and have a treat/item in the booth for give away. We could answer questions and promote Society name and promote our achievements and support.
- **Monday July 27th, new teachers will participate in a PD at Gheens.** DKG Louisville Chapters could sponsor doughnuts for the group, 200 teachers. The cost would be about \$200 total, or about \$50.00 per Chapter. Our DKG logo and Chapter names would be displayed as sponsors.

*******AGS Chapters take note of the 5 Louisville Chapters Recruitment plans. Share your Chapter's plans.*******

UPSILON

After a fun-filled frolicsome State Convention in April, the members of UPSILON geared up for their last meeting of this term, on May 9, at the beautiful Highland Country Club in Ft. Thomas. Twenty members, special guest speakers Wynne Phillippe, her mother, Lanne Phillippe, and Wynne's adopted daughter, Anna Grace, and our faithful photographer, Sterling Staggs, enjoyed a delicious buffet and a great time of fellowship.

Wynne and Lanne are both teachers, and they have made several trips to Uganda during the past years to assist with teaching the very needy children and families of one section of that poverty-stricken country. Wynne shared how some 60 children were packed in a one room shabby building to learn from one teacher who tried to help all of them. The challenge is great, and the learning process is exceedingly slow for the children to learn something as simple as one letter of the alphabet over a long time. The presentation tied in well with our "Schools for Africa" project, and it was another reminder of just how blessed we are in our country to have all of our educational buildings, books, teachers, and supplies to meet the needs of our children.

In addition, President Priscilla Roberts recognized long time members Justina Graziani, Peggy Whitford, and Judy Ihrig for their membership with UPSILON and DKG. Judy was the only one present to receive her 20 year membership certificate.

After the luncheon, Priscilla, along with Brenda and Sterling Staggs, made a visit to Justina to present her pin and certificate. Presently, she is in a rehab facility in Covington, and family members hope to get her home very soon. She received her 50 year pin and certificate. Pam Manker delivered Peggy Whitford her 40 year pin and certificate after the luncheon. Justina will be 93 in August, and she is our oldest living member. She continues to maintain her sweet spirit and attitude in spite of the physical challenges she faces each day.

Moreover, members Karin Edgington, Laura Kal-fas, Marylyn Majancsik, Estelle Martin, Karen

Martin, Elizabeth (Mizer) Lambert, Priscilla Roberts, Brenda Staggs, and Rebecca Taylor were recognized for receiving the "Women of Vision" award this year. Too, Priscilla presented an Appreciation Certificate to the 23 members who contributed and participated in such a special way at the State Convention.

Nicole Coppes, Pam Thomas, and Rebecca Thomas were recognized as recipients of the "Rosebud Award."

State President Karen Martin presented Priscilla one of her beautifully crafted decorative plates, as well as a lovely wooden engraved DKG pen and pencil set, and acknowledged Priscilla for her excellent work with the State Convention. "Thank you so very much; it was my privilege to do so, and I could have never done it without all of the diligence and help of my UPSILON and ZETA sistas; it was a great team effort," stated Priscilla.

Afterwards, during the business meeting, ideas were tossed out about next year's events, and late in June, the Executive Board and other members of Upsilon will be invited to share new ideas and ways to bring in more new members, as well as planning on activities that will engage and keep present members involved. Our chapter is alive and well, and we received the Healthy Chapter Gold Award because of it.

On a final note, Upsilon thanks all of our "sistas" from across the state, and our ZETA co-host "sistas" for their attendance and participation in our spring State Convention. Indeed, it was a most memorable weekend, and we were so fortunate to have Cathy Daughtery, our First Vice-President from International as our guest. Her presence and her presentations were most engaging. Too, it was most inviting to have Jane Thompson, Past State President and AGS State Editor to present WCPO-TV an "Excellence in Education Award," and to have received some good "PR" and coverage from Chanel 9 in Cincinnati.

*******AGS Chapters, what can you do this next year to increase your media presence in your area. Share your success(es) in the newsletter to generate ideas for others.*******

Epsilon

We had an awesome spring DKG meeting at Advance Memorial United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 25. Special thanks go out to our gracious Russell sisters, Ninette Amis, Jeanann Caudill, Carol Stevens, Cora Frailie, Becky Harvey, and Linda Thompson. They go above and beyond for us. Please let them know how you appreciate their kind deeds.

Ann Mullins delivered a touching and thought-provoking inspirational. Ann concluded her comments by announcing that she and husband Elmer are relocating to Columbus, IN to be nearer to their children and grandchildren. Thank you for your service to Epsilon, Ann You will be missed. Good luck and God bless!

Our Honorary sister, Senator Robin Webb was our exceptional presenter. Thank you for your continued support of DKG and your leadership, Robin.

Sister, Laura Tussey stepped up and took the Second Vice-President and Membership Chair position, vacated by Judy Chabot. I will work closely with Laura this summer to orient her in this new role. THANK YOU, Laura, for your willingness to lead our Chapter in this way.

Our outstanding Ritual Committee of Dr. Barbara Walters, Dr. Lin Hunt, and Francie Martin conducted a beautiful Initiation Ceremony (our first since 2012). Our newly initiated sisters are Colleen Griffiths and Lauren Audrey Tussey. We are



thrilled that you've joined our sisterhood, Colleen and Lauren, and we look forward to a fabulous tenure together. WELCOME!!

Colleen's mother-in-law, Joy Griffith attended as Dr. Barbara's guest. We hope you enjoyed, Joy. We sadly dedicated a Memorial to dear, Marty Ward. Brenda Platt, Marty's cousin delivered the touching memorial. Thank you, Brenda and welcome back.



We raised \$140 at the auction. \$25 will be sent to AGS for World Fellowship, and the remaining \$115 will be placed in our Grant in Aide fund. Becky Harvey is a new GIA Scholarship Chair. If you know of any

young ladies working toward their education degree, please send them Becky's direction. Thank you, Becky, and we're so happy to have you here in EPSILON with us.

Dr. Barbara Walters will be relocating to Berea, KY in June, to be closer to her family. However we hope to have her back for our meetings, at least for a while. So we aren't saying good bye to Barbara, just yet.

Please send healing prayers up for Linda Thompson who is recovering from knee surgery, and Diana Kouns who is struggling with a neck injury. Good luck and prayers for a speedy recovery, Linda and Diane.

All in all, it was a marvelous day. The meeting and your awesome company rejuvenated my spirit and I will give it/you my all to keep our sisterhood strong. I am blessed by each of you!

Our 15-16 dates are: August 29, November 14, February 27, and April 23. MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY!

If you would like to attend the Fall Leadership Workshop at Embassy Suites in Lexington, September 11-12, you are welcome to join me and the Leadership. We have a healthy budget, which I propose covers the room costs. It will be a blast.



KAPPA

As the KAPPA Chapter met for their May meeting many of our members had no idea the wonderful surprises that were in store for them. As our President, Ruby Sneed, opened our meeting and directed us to the delicious meal prepared for us, we anticipated our program by Danny Knott, mine instructor. Mr. Knott discussed the makeup of an underground mine and explained how the coal was extracted from beneath the ground. He even sang a very catchy and amusing song. After his talk we made our way to the coal simulator. Our members were captivated by the simulators and enjoyed the opportunity to “work in the mine”. Thanks to Danny Knott, Bart Allen and Randy Wolfe for giving of their time and expertise.



After returning from the “mine” and completing our regular agenda items, Mrs. Sneed reported on the State Convention. The Chapter’s awards were received by Carolyn Oldham (40 year membership), Karen Walcott (Rosebud Award) and Charlene Arvin (Woman of Vision).



These ladies were very deserving and received their awards with much humility. Ruby also recognized the Chapter for all the certificates we were awarded at the State Convention.

A date was set for a “Chat’n Chew”. An informal meeting of the Executive Board and any other members who would want to join them in planning for the new year. Mrs. Sneed expressed the need to get everyone’s input. We all look forward to this opportunity.

We were very excited to welcome a new member into our society. Sharon Hendricks was initiated in a very impressive ceremony. Sharon will be a great addition to our group and we look forward to her becoming an active member.



We were so glad to have 23 members in attendance and with Mrs. Sneed’s leadership, we hope to continue to grow and be an active Chapter.

ALPHA BETA

The year-end meeting of the ALPHA BETA Chapter for 2014-2015 was arranged and hosted by Mary Wingses and held at the Treyton Oak Tower. After ToettaTaul brought opening remarks and inspiration from “On the Eighth Day God Created Teachers,” the group enjoyed a wonderful meal.

Alpha Beta Chapter President Diana Motsch introduced the speaker Carol Morris Fauth who presented an entertaining slide show entitled

“An Evening with Authors.” Carol is a former JCPS librarian who is now retired and fills her time escorting authors who come to Louisville to promote their books. Among those she has escorted are Paula Deen, Linda Bruckheimer, Cheryl Ladd, Joseph Finder, Sue Ellen Cooper, as well as many other noted authors.

Brenda Logan shared information with our Chapter about a “free” website resource for children and parents, children and teachers, and children and other significant adults. The website is www.wonderopolis.org. The site was developed by the National Center for Families Learning. There is a new “wonder” posted each day and there are over 1450 “wonders of the day” completed and archived according to topic. It’s an excellent way to support learning in an on-going way, particularly what is often a summer loss in reading and learning skills for children of all ages. All ALPHA BETA members were given a Wonderopolis Teacher Facilitator Guide. The website is supported by JCPS Superintendent and is worth being investigated by every Principal, teacher, parent, and caregiver.

At the State Convention the ALPHA BETA Chapter received numerous awards for multiple areas of work and accomplishments and was deemed a very Healthy Chapter. President Diana Motsch proudly accepted those awards on behalf of the chapter and they included:

- An overall award for meeting all our goals which included regularly- scheduled meetings over the year.
- Overall attendance at the State Convention which included Bonnie Abner, Diana Motsch, and Judy Reeves
- Emily Pruettt for reporting volunteer hours
- Peggy Williams for the New Member Award for her efforts in encouraging three new members this past year
- Kathy Jones for the World Fellowship Award for her work in that area
- Brenda Logan for articles written for the AGS State Newsletter
- Special recognition to: Jerrylynn Norsworthy for 40 years of membership in DKG; June Wade for 30 years of membership in DKG; Joyce Cecil, June Wade, Diana Motsch, Judy Reeves, Bonnie Abner and Ann Haffling

named Women of Vision for 2015.



ALPHA DELTA

Local members Bonnie Wardrip, Geraldine Miller, Joan Wilson, and Bev Morrison of local Chapter ALPHA DELTA of DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY, an international honor society of women educators, met at the local library to prepare appreciation bags for Meade County High School staff during the stressful time of testing. All schools in the Meade County School system were adopted by various members who have prepared “goodies” for teachers and staff. These retired educators know how demanding a teacher’s time can be during testing. The local organization provides assistance yearly for one outstanding young woman graduating at the local high school who plans a career in education.



Alpha Delta's members share the joys of International Adoption



Members, Amy Berry, Dawn Miller and Lorie Craycroft, share the process of adopting children in other countries.

On Wednesday, June 10, 2015, thirty-one members of ALPHA DELTA Chapter of DELTA KAPPA GAMMA consisting of current and retired women teachers met at the home of Margie Gregoriades in Doe Valley for their summer social.

President Jessie Trotter called the meeting to order. The devotional "Within Our Reach: Joy" by Fra Giovanni Giocondo was read by Lavinia Waits. Peggy Darnall, Recording Secretary, read the minutes which were approved. The Treasurer's report indicated approximately \$250 currently. On Honor's Night, a \$250 Scholarship was presented by member Darlah Zweifel to high school senior, Paige Kenney who will attend WKU and major in Family and Consumer Science Education.



Darlah Zweifel presenting scholarship to future teacher Paige Kenney

After voting, the membership decided to meet after school at 4:00 on Mon, Tues or Thursday during the school year since it was more favorable than the evening or the weekends.

The members decided to do an information table for the breakfast on Aug 4, much like last year's table. Jessie appointed Bev Morrison, Corresponding Secretary, to be in charge of the table.

The World Fellowship Committee presented their program on International Adoption. Three members had gone through the process themselves, and they each told a heart-warming step by step rendition of the process.

Amy Berry told of adopting her infant twins, a boy and girl, from Ethiopia who are now 3 ½ years old. While watching the movie, "The Help" which showed the main character as "brave", she felt God urging her to be "brave". She always wanted to be a mother and while researching adoption, she was drawn to Africa. When people ask specific questions about her twins, she says she is vague with her answers because she wants her children to hear their story from her for the first time.

Lorie Craycroft told of hearing a South Korean minister speak at her church. He told about the children who craved to hear him preach when he returned home. She felt God urging her toward adoption. She and her husband, David, prayed for guidance and were finally blessed with baby Tyler who is now six years old.

Dawn Miller says she had thought of adoption in China even as she was a young girl. When she married and had three healthy baby boys, she said it didn't make sense to have another child, but she couldn't shake the idea of having a little girl. When she presented this idea to her husband, Jay, he prayed for a sign from God and he chose a name, Zoey Jane. When he looked for the meaning of that name it was "Life – God's Gift". Upon entering the adoption process, Dawn knew they might receive a boy, but the word came that Zoey would be theirs. She feels the adoption has completed her family in a wonderful way. Zoey is now nine years old.

Members were moved by tears as each woman shared her most personal feelings. The mounds of paperwork and tiring trips were very challenging at times, but they all said that God led them through the process.

Alpha Delta members had each donated three books to be exchanged for 50 cents a book. Money raised will be donated to the International Fellowship Fund.

The afternoon was capped off with a delicious luncheon provided by the World Fellowship Committee; Margie Gregoriades, Amie Heibert, Sarah Nevitt, Andrea Pike-Goff, Laura Pollock, and Lavinia Waits.

Alpha Delta Members at Doe Valley, July 2015, enjoying summer social.



Front Row: Bev Morrison, Jessie Trotter, Amy Bogard
 2nd Row: Mary Lou Jenkins, Shirley Jones, Margie Gregoriades
 3rd Row: Dawn Miller, Allison Doutaz, Amy Berry, Andrea Pike-Goff
 Back: Mandy Richardson, Sarah Nevitt, Missy Tabor, Donna Stith, Bonnie Wardrip, Lavinia Waits, Ellen Funk, Donna Funk, Pam Corum, Renee Miller, Suzannah Whitfield, Peggy Darnall, Suzie Harreld, Amie Heibert, Julie Mofield, Kelly Butler, Lorie Craycroft, Joan Wilson, and Ann Hartman

(Present but not pictured Anita Seymour and Janet Powers)

ALPHA EPSILON

ALPHA EPSILON Chapter met on April 18, 2015, at the Butler County Learning Center, Morgantown, Kentucky. Twelve members were in attendance. Hostess Georgia Romans gave the blessing before the group enjoyed a delicious brunch.

President Sherrie Pryor shared thoughts on how kindness and legacy relate to education. She also presented examples of how they used Day to Day in the classroom.

President Pryor then called the business session to order. Personal Growth and Services Chairperson Ann Seidler reported that ALPHA EPSILON had a total of 8347 volunteer hours. Professional Affairs Chairperson Carole Sindorff announced that Brianna Scott, a senior at Western

Kentucky University, was the recipient of ALPHA EPSILON's grant-in aid.

President Pryor announced that DELTA Chapter had just turned 75. ALPHA EPSILON had been invited to help them celebrate on Saturday, April 25th, at Cumberland Trace Elementary School.

Since this was our LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR THE SISTERS OF Alpha Epsilon are looking forward to next year.

AGS CONVENTION

UPSILON President Priscilla Roberts received the Pink Zebra Award from International First Vice-President, Cathy Daugherty.

Below:
 International First Vice-President, Cathy Daugherty



Newly installed AGS State Organization President, Pascal Bailey receives her State President's pen from Melanie Van Tassel. Melanie is giving Pascal her mother's, Dr. Dorine Geeslin, State President's pen.

Outgoing State Organization President, Karen Martin is inducted into the Past President's Committee, The Order of the Tulip Poplar.



Mentor Recognition and Awards

Fun and Fellowship and Business

Hall of Fame, Jane Thompson, BETA



Outstanding Young Educator, Rebecca Thomas, UPSILON



Annie Award, ALPHA GAMMA, Karen Clark, President



Karen Martin's Mentor is Karin Edgington, UPSILON

Pascal Bailey's Mentor is Susan Cross, MU

Kathy Zwanzig's Mentor is Donna Goodin, XI



Beth Pyle's Mentor is Jonna Smith, DELTA

Jane Thompson's Mentor is Sue Story, MU



Media Award to Channel 9, Cincinnati



Our Photographer Cheerleader who only charges food and drink.

Thanks, Sterling, for a beautiful album of photos for all to enjoy.

**ALPHA GAMMA STATE
Fall Leadership Workshop
September 11-12, 2015
Embassy Suites Lexington**

Hosted by: BETA, OMICRON, PHI, PI, and ALPHA ALPHA Chapters

Make checks payable to:

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Lawrenceburg, KY 40342

Registration Deadline: August 31, 2015

_____ Registration (\$15.00)

_____ Luncheon (\$20.00) Dietary Restrictions _____

_____ TOTAL

EVERYONE ATTENDING AGS WORKSHOP MUST REGISTER:

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: (____) ____ - _____ Email: _____

What is your current professional position? _____

Are you an Officer (State or Chapter)? Circle one: YES NO If yes, which office? _____

Are you a Committee Chair? Circle one: YES NO If yes, which committee? _____

Is this your first workshop? Circle one: YES NO

All events held at the Embassy Suites Lexington

Registration & Reception: Friday, September 11, 5:00-9:00 PM

Registration & Workshop: Saturday, September 12, 8:00 AM—Noon

Workshop Theme: "Circle of Friends"

More information in next newsletter on the book for discussion.

Hotel block reserved at:

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