

The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson.

Tom Bodett

# CLIFF NOTES for the Executive Board meeting.

All members are invited to this meeting, but Chapter Presidents are required to attend. If you cannot, you must send the name of your representative by email or snail mail. Please sign in on the rosters upon entering the room. It is our official attendance record. Please tell your representative **not** to sign your name. She must sign **her name** on your line.

Dear Chapter Presidents,

September is such a busy month for you! Our chapters are blasting into fall. Some of you are initiating, others are inviting prospective members to attend interesting chapter meetings and programs.

Dot Sample wishes to remind you to participate in our State Project – 10 Interesting Women. You will receive information about this project in your Executive Board (EB) envelope in October. Information is also posted on the Alpha Iota State website (deltakappagamma.org/MI) and you can always contact Dot at Dorothy.sample1@gmail.com or by phone at: 810-513-8400.



This mailing is filled with announcements to inspire you! I will be starting a new section called Cliff Notes for the Executive Board meeting.

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TOMORROWS MISSION





This one day conference will be colorful as members plan "Color Your World" workshops and activities. Bay Mills College in Brimley will be the "happening" place.



Hurry, hurry to register with Cindy Butler at 80greenacres@centurylink.net. All members are welcome. Registration form is on the Alpha Iota website (deltakappagamma.org/MI).

## Muskegon Fall Conference - Oct. 19-20, 2012

Register by September 28 to get the best hotel rate and to avoid late fees for conference registration. All chapter presidents are on the Executive Board and are expected to attend the conference.

If you are unable to attend, you MUST notify me by email or letter about who will represent you at the EB meeting on Friday night. THIS IS ONE OF YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES.



Has your chapter thought about donating a theme basket for the auction? It can be large or small or even a single item. Set up will be on Saturday morning. Activate your shopping gene! Contact Judi Fisher for more information — judifisher@yahoo.com.

#### **Nominations**

As each chapter prepares for the upcoming Delta Kappa Gamma year, please remember to discuss the upcoming election of Alpha Iota State Officers, which will occur at the Spring Convention. Right now is a good time to get those Nomination forms turned in. Nomination forms and Guidelines have been handed out. This information can also be obtained from our state web site or any member of the Nominations Committee.

Positions open for nomination are: President, First and Second Vice President, and Recording Secretary. We also need five nominees for the Nomination Committee with one from each region. The deadline for nominations is October 15, 2012. Please send or e-mail to Joanne Gardner, 1575 Battle Creek Rd, Charlotte, MI 48813, E-mail: jgardner@cablespeed.com. We look forward to receiving your Nomination form.

#### **The Nominations Committee**

Joanne Gardner, Chairman

Anne Wade Eileen Rodak
Deborah Noss Pamela Chappell





The 2011-2013 State Communications Committee has reviewed the process for submitting chapter newsletters as well as the scoring criteria. The submission criteria is as follows:



- Submission deadline is Friday, February 1, 2013
- Submission format choose 1 (one) of the following methods:
  - A paper copy
  - As an electronic email attachment in either Microsoft Word format (.doc or .docx) OR
  - As an electronic e-mail attachment in Portable Document Format (.pdf) ~ the preferred method.
  - o On a CD in either Word or .pdf format.
  - A link to your website if it can be found on the Internet and a login and password if needed.
- The newsletter submitted should be from this Autumn.
   This means a September, October, November or December newsletter. You choose your best.
- Let us know if the bulk of your recipients get the newsletter as an electronic file. (Think Green!)
- Identify your editor or editors and provide email address(es) if they are available.

Send your 1 (one) submission by February 1, 2013 to: Laura Perkins, Communications Chair perkins.laura.k@gmail.com

## If mailing a CD or paper copy of your newsletter:

Submission before December 13, 2012, please mail to: Laura Perkins, 2364 Crossings Cir., Davison, MI 48423

\* Submission between December 13, 2012 to February 1, 2013 should be mailed to: Laura Perkins, 3460 Pointe Creek Ct., Unit 201, Bonita Springs, FL 34134.

The newsletter scoring sheet and the above information can be found in your EB envelope and on the Alpha Iota State website (*deltakappagamma.org/MI*).

## Women in the Arts Retreat - Nov. 16-18, 2012

Join us at the Tropical Paradise at Ralph MacMullan Center on Houghton Lake. Contact Ranae Beyerlein, <u>rbeyerlein@ameritech.net</u>, for additional Information.



Please submit three (3) copies of your chapter's yearbook to the address below, by the **December 1**<sup>st</sup> **due date.** Yearbooks may be on paper, CD or your chapter website.

If we need a password, please volunteer it. Please also send 1 <u>completed</u> copy of the current evaluation form available on the state website.

The details and the checklist for evaluation are available on the state's website (*deltakappagamma.org/MI*) at "Yearbook". The committee is excited to see what you have created! Send your yearbook submission to:

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International - Alpha Iota State - MI

Sarah Shaw Garrison, Executive Secretary 1227 Lenox Road Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-2025 (248) 540-3762 / wsarahsally@aol.com Although yearbooks will be accepted at any time, only those received by December 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered for the 2012-2013 Yearbook Awards.

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## Yearbook Update

Your chapter yearbook is a way to share Society, state organization, chapter and coordinating council information with members. The format you choose should fit the needs of your members. The International and State information is now available on the state's website. As you can see on the checklist provided, much of that information is not required for evaluation of your yearbook, but you may wish to include some of the material for both new members and reorientation of current members.



When putting together your yearbooks, please keep in mind the music copyright law.

The four awards to be given will be Admirable, Praiseworthy, Pacesetter and Exemplary. Please read the explanations on the information sheet. Presidents, please share this information with your yearbook editors!

Liz VanWestenburg, Alpha Iota First Vice President and Program of Work Chairman



Vendor table is \$10.00.

#### **Friend of Education**

You will find these forms in your EB envelope and on the Alpha Iota State website (deltakappagamma.org/MI).

Every chapter should be looking for non-educators who make significant contributions to education or educators. Please honor these Friends of Education.

Contact\_Dorothy.sample1@gmail.com or 810-513-8400 if you have questions.

#### 2012 Educators Award Book

Dignity: The Essential Role It Plays in Resolving Conflict, by Dr. Donna Hicks, stresses the importance of treating others as they are worthy of care and attention and is the recipient of the 2012 Educators Award. Hicks, Associate at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard, is known for her work as a facilitator in resolving international conflicts.

The award winning publication provides a model for conflict resolution whether in a family, in a school, or between countries. Dignity has the potential to influence personal relationships as well as educational practice. The book is timely as the human population is seeking methods to develop stable personal relationships, encourage less bullying, build a peaceful world and encourage more cooperative school environments. You may borrow this book from Sally Garrison, <code>wsallysarah@aol.com</code>.

#### Celebrate - 75!

This is the year for all chapters and Coordinating Councils to help Alpha Iota State celebrate 75 years of lively existence! Please take pictures or videos of your special activity as we celebrate. Tamara Webster will put the artifacts together for our viewing pleasure. We'll celebrate with a party in Bay City at the State Conference in May. You won't want to miss it!



#### DKG AWARD OPPORTUNITIES

## The Distinguished Service Award

Please think about nominating a person for this most deserving award. The nominee can be a former Friend of Education. All the information can be found in your EB envelope and on the Alpha Iota State website (deltakappagamma.org/MI). Contact Dorothy.sample1@gmail.com or 810-513-8400 if you have questions.

#### Award of the Rose

The Award of the Rose allows the Alpha Iota State organization to:

- Recognize chapter achievement and excellence.
- Encourage chapter cooperation and teamwork.
- Honor chapters, members, and committees meeting specific society requirements.
- Encourage chapters to participate in state and international activities.
- Encourage chapters to meet state and international deadlines and goals.

Please look over the requirements for this award and plan to apply for it. Forms will be in your EB envelope and on the Alpha Iota website (*deltakappagamma.org/MI*). Questions? Contact me at *ohorning@aol.com* or at 407-414-2682.

# The President's Award

The President's Award is given to those chapters that increase their membership by recruiting, retaining and reclaiming members. All chapters are invited to apply! Forms will be in your EB envelope and on the Alpha Iota State website (*deltakappagamma.org/MI*). Questions? Contact me at *ohorning@aol.com* or at 407-414-2682.

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# Available Now! Chapter Women of Distinction Pins



These pins were introduced during the State Conference in Kalamazoo. Why not honor your special chapter women with one of these pins for only \$6.00.

You may contact J-jay Pechita at *jpechtadkg@comcast.net*.

Marilyn J. Hopkins, Mu, State Personal Growth and Services Chair

## **Chapter and State Woman of Distinction Nominations**

Attention all Chapter Presidents and Personal Growth and Service Chairs, please begin the process of naming your Chapter Woman of Distinction. The new forms have been added to the state website with a **deadline of March 15, 2013.** You may send me your nominations by mail and/or email. Chapter Presidents will also receive these forms in their envelopes at the Fall Conference. The new form for nomination for The Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction is also on the state website: <a href="https://www.deltakappagamma.org/MI">www.deltakappagamma.org/MI</a>



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•	Olive's new newslette	er feature. "	Notes."
•	State Project: "Ten	Wome	n."

- Who is required to attend the Executive Board meetings?
- UP Conference Title: "\_\_\_\_\_ Your World."
- Fall Conference location.
- Funding Our Purposes is asking for a "theme
   \_\_\_\_\_\_ " for the auction.
- Women in the Arts Retreat will take place in a "\_\_\_\_\_ Paradise."
- How many years has Alpha Iota State been in existence? (spell it out)
- Eileen Rodak chairs this committee.
- Individuals who make a significant contribution to education can be nominated for a "\_\_\_\_\_ of Education" award.
- Another important award is the "\_\_\_\_\_ Service Award."

- One of the chapter publications that may be submitted to Laura Perkins.
- Sara Shaw Garrison should receive your chapter's
   \_\_\_\_\_ by December 1st if you want it considered for the 2012-2013 awards.
- One of the important state awards is "The Award of the \_\_\_\_\_."
- This month's featured educator's book: "\_\_\_\_\_: The Essential Role it Plays in Resolving Conflict."
- Contact person for the Chapter Women of Distinction pins. (last name)
- Alpha Iota's First Vice President. (last name)
- How many copies of the yearbook must be submitted?
- The "Color Your World" workshops will take place at Bay Mills College \_\_\_\_\_.
- Women in the Arts Retreat will be on the shores of \_\_\_\_\_ Lake.