

Alpha Iota State President's Newsletter

International President's Theme 2010 - 2012 Embracing Our Vision: Designing Our Future

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State Theme 2009-2011

DKG Service Sharing Sisterhood Scholarship - We Hold the Key

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Celebrating the Year!

Your chapter is closing its programming for 2010-2011. As you hold end of the year meetings and picnics, reflect on the highlights of your year. What programs and projects stand out? How have you honored members? Have you selected Friends of Education? Did you submit articles to the Wolverine?

Many chapters will hold planning sessions soon. Do you need ideas for speakers? Use the Speaker's Bureau document that is on the Alpha Iota website. Browse through other documents for assistance. Will you support Schools for Africa and Early-Career Educators? These are International projects that are important to chapters. Keep in mind that programming is the heart of the chapter. Register for the Northeast Regional Conference in Hershey, PA. The kisses are calling your name!

Olive Horning, Gamma Beta Chapter Alpha Iota Program of Work Chair

We Need Your News!

Articles, announcements, or chapter news for the August President's newsletter should be sent to Olive Horning at **ohorning@aol.com** by July 20. The *Wolverine* editor would also like you to share your chapter's activities, news, and happenings with your Michigan sisters. Send news blurbs and photos to **jpechta.dkg.comcast.net**

Mission

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

Vision

Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide



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June 10
New State Officer
Training
Lansing Lexington

June 11
PAC Changeover
Lansing Lexington
10:00 - 3:00
\$28.00

July 20—23 Northeast Regional Conference Hershey, PA

August 27 PAC Lansing Lexington 10:00 - 3:00 \$28.00

October 7 - 9
Women in the Arts

October 21 - 22 Fall Workshop Lansing Lexington



Northeast Regional Conference Tours

Come early to the NERC in Hershey, PA (the sweetest town in America) this summer and take advantage of some wonderful tours the conference has arranged for attendees. You need to register for the conference at www.dkg.org. Go to *Events*, click on *Regional Conferences*, then *Northeast*. Hotel registration, conference registration, schedule ataglance, workshop sessions, tours, travel discounts, speakers are just a click away. J-Jay is planning a Michigan Night dinner for Alpha Iota State attendees. More information about the dinner next month.

NOTE: All tours include round trip motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, applicable admissions, tours, meals as outlined below. Tours will depart promptly at times indicated. Passengers MUST be at boarding point at least 15 minutes prior to departure time.

Tuesday, July 19

From Market to Country Quilt Shop

With a local guide, visit CentralMarket where you will trade "vouchers" for coffee, tea or juice and a "Long John" (a pastry treat). Visit the Quilt & Textile Museum and the Heritage Center of Lancaster. Continue to Intercourse to receive a boxed lunch at Kitchen Kettle Village and meet your guide for a informative "Quilt Hop" tour to several country quilt shops where you can see one-of-a-kind quilts straight from the hands of our local quilt makers!

Cost: \$88 per person Time: 8:00am - 6:15pm

Eisenhower, Gettysburg Battle & Lunch at the historic Dobbin House

Travel to historic Gettysburg to board a shuttle to the home and farm of President Dwight D. Eisenhower. This farm served the President as a weekend retreat and a meeting place for world leaders. Re-board your motor coach and be transported to the Historic Dobbin House for lunch. Then return to the Visitors Center to meet your specially selected, licensed battlefield guide for a narrated tour of the Gettysburg National Military Park.

Cost: \$91 per person Time: 8:00am - 5:30pm

Wednesday, July 20

QVC, Hot Metal and Wine

Travel to the QVC Studio for a guided walking tour through the fantastic world of multimedia retailing. See and experience how QVC products are sourced, tested, brought to life on air, and delivered to millions of QVC customers. Lunch is included at a local restaurant before going to Wendell August Forge Store & Workshop. Watch skilled artisans handcraft the finest metal giftware made in America today and have a chance to shop. End with a wine tasting with cheese and chocolates at Twin Brooks Winery.

Cost: \$98 per person Time: 8:15am - 5:15pm

Chocolates, Lunch and Learn and Hands-on Fun at Meadowbrooke Gourds

First stop will be at Derry Church Fine Chocolates. Continue to the Kitchen Shoppe for a "Lunch & Learn" program—enjoy the demonstration of your lunch being+ made before you—and then shop for some amazing kitchen gadgets in the adjoining store. Continue to Meadowbrook Gourds for a tour of this facility that raises and processes gourds and sells items made out of gourds. Enjoy a hands-on project that you will make and take home.

Cost: \$95 per person Time: 9:00am - 4:30pm



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Friday, Night on the Town, July 22



An Evening with the Amish: A Dinner Experience

Dine with an Amish family in their home on a working farm. As the family welcomes you into their home, you will enter into the Amish culture in a casual atmosphere filled with an evening discussion that will lead to how and why they live the way they do, how similar it is to raise children and much more.

Cost: \$81 per person Time: 5:15pm - 10:00pm

Sight and Sound's Millennium Theater

Enjoy a family-style dinner at Hershey Farms Restaurant. Then be transported to Sight & Sound's Millennium Theater for a performance of *Joseph*. Experience a cast of 45 actors, dozens of live animals, amazing dream sequences and Joseph in his colorful coat "flying" over the audience, a spectacular Egyptian palace scene spanning 300 feet and wrapping around three sides of the audience.

Cost: \$99 per person Time: 4:45pm - 10:00pm

Dinner, Horses Races and Hollywood Casino at Penn National

Enjoy a delicious buffet dinner. Post time is 6:00 pm....so you can dine, bet on your favorite horse and watch the races from your seat. After dinner you can continue the excitement at the Hollywood Casino where there are over 2,450 slot machines.

Cost: \$87 per person Time: 5:00pm - 11:00pm

Great American Picnic at Hershey Park

Start out with your family and Great American Picnic at Hershey Park! Start out with your family and friends at a catered barbecue picnic with all the fixings within fabulous Hershey Park. You'll receive a "Twilight Pass" to enjoy all rides, shows, concerts, water parks, and Zoo America throughout the evening. A Hershey souvenir cup will allow you to purchase drinks all night within the park for only \$0.99! Return to the Lodge at your leisure with the free shuttle. Email Eileen at selittle@embarqmail.com with questions! For this option only, make check out to Northeast Regional Conference and mail payment for required number of tickets to:

Eileen Little, 3643 Falcon Court, Mountville, PA 17554

Cost: \$55.00 per person Time: 5:00pm - Park Closing

Saturday, July 23

Chocolate Tasting and a Trolley Adventure

Enjoy lunch at Chocolate World with your included voucher. Then embark on a Trolley Adventure Entertainment Tour of Hershey while two actors bring the story of Milton Hershey to life in a most unusual way. See the town, learn about Hershey— the town and the man—and meet some of the most interesting people in Mr. Hershey's life. Complete your afternoon with a Chocolate Tasting program at Hershey's Chocolate World.

Cost: \$73 per person Time: 12:15pm - 5:00pm

The Hershey Story Tour

Meet a local guide for a narrated driving tour of "Chocolatetown, USA". The tour includes a visit to Founder's Hall, a memorial to Milton Hershey, vouchers for lunch at Hershey's Chocolate World and admission to the Hershey Story Museum which explores the rags to riches accomplishments of Milton Hershey. Find out how Mr. Hershey revolutionized the process of making milk chocolate and learn about his ingenuity and philanthropy.

Cost: \$65 per person Time: 11:45am - 5:00pm

Get Smart!

State President - Jackie Smart

Chapter Presidents and PAC Chairmen,

The 2009 - 2011 biennium seems to have come and gone so quickly. I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your State President. This has been a wonderful experience and I thank your all for your support, dedication, commitment and passion for our Society. It has been a privilege working with the state officers, past state presidents, and committee chairmen, and chapter presidents for the past two years. You have earned my appreciation and respect as you have carried on the work of our Founders by making our state organization stronger. Chapter Presidents, as you look back, take time to enjoy your accomplishments. As you look forward to your future in the Society, consider new opportunities of service within the state and also at the International level.

I hope many of you will treat yourselves to the Northeast Regional Conference, July 20 - 23, in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Please see the international website or February/March International $\Delta K\Gamma$ News for details on tours and registration for the Northeast Regional Convention in Hershey. Deadline for registration is June 20. Be aware there is a \$48 penalty for registering late.

To facilitate a smooth transition and to assist the newly appointed state committee chairman, I urge current state officers and committee chairmen to attend the change-over PAC meeting in Lansing at the Lexington Hotel on June 11th. It is extremely important that as a Key Woman Educator that you mentor and assist the new person for the next biennium by sharing the responsibilities of the job with your successor.





State Visitations

State Visitation requests for the 2009-2011 biennium have ended. Requests for a state representative to attend a meeting for the 2011-2013 should be sent to Kathy Muench kemuench@sbcglobal.net. I have enjoyed meeting so many new friends on my travels with Jackie.

Fran Saenz Outgoing State Visitations Chairman



Funding Our Purposes Raffle

A big "Thanks" to all the chapters and individual members who donated items and baskets for the Funding Our Purposes Raffle. The generosity of our members helped us to raise \$2,070 that goes to the World Fellowships, Scholarship, and Members Supporting Members Funds.

Your summer planning meetings are a good time for chapters to discuss basket themes for the Fall Conference in Lansing or the State Convention in Kalamazoo.

Judi Fisher, Funding Our Purposes Chair

Meeting Conversation Questions

Write these questions on a slip of paper and place on each table for conversation starters.

- 1. Which TV show do you first remember watching?
- 2. If you could suddenly find out that one work of fiction was actually true, what book would you select?
- 3. If you could have the starring role in a movies already made, which movie would you pick?
- 4. What thought or sentiment would you like to put in a million fortune cookies?
- 5. Describe yourself in one word.
- 6. If you could have a romance with any fictional character, who would it be?
- 7. If you could undo one thing your parents did, what would it be?

Research Committee Dear Chapter Presidents,
Dear Chapter Tresidents,
The Research Committee is doing a survey about fundraisers to be presented to the chapters. Please briefly answer the following questions.
Your name Chapter
1. What does your chapter do as a fundraiser or fundraisers?
2. Approximately what is spent for the fundraiser?
3. Approximately what does your chapter earn?
4. Do you purchase your fundraiser or make it?
5. How many members do you have?
You may mail the survey to me or email your answers.
Kathy Taylor 951 West Finerty Rd. West Branch, MI 48661 kathy.taylor@kirtland.edu
I would like the survey back by June 5, 2011. Thank you so much for your input, it is greatly appreciated!
Friend of Education
If you have given a Friend of Education certificate this spring, or anytime this year, please make sure the Friend of Education form has been sent to Gloria Richards. The form came with the certificate and is on the reverse of the page with directions for giving the certificate; or the form can be found on the MI website. These forms are needed by June 8 to list your chapter and recipient in the Wolverine. Send to: Gloria Richards 3771 Anderson Dr.
Albion, MI 49224
Or
email to gloriarichards4@gmail.com (new email address.)
Gloria Richards, Alpha Iota State, Second Vice-President