ALPHA PHI LINES

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

ISSUE 1

ALPHA PHI CHAPTER | PERRY & SPENCER COUNTIES | SEPTEMBER 2022

Mission Statement

Delta Kappa Gamma promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence of education.

President's Message

Fall is right around the corner which means the October Delta Kappa Gamma meeting is approaching quickly!

Thank you to everyone that attended the June summer planning meeting, and to those that have been working hard to secure meeting dates, locations, meals, and activities for the 2022-2023 program year. If you ever have any ideas for meeting locations or programs let me know. We are always looking for something new to try!

One of our October Programs will be a short presentation about **Schools for Africa**. Schools for Africa is a program sponsored by UNICEF USA, the Nelson Mandela Foundation and the Hamburg Foundation. Schools for Africa has been a Delta Kappa Gamma International Project since 2010 and since that time DKG members have donated over $445,000 to supporting this endeavor in 21 countries. Come to the October meeting to learn more!

Our second "Program" for October will be collecting monetary donations that can distributed to the Backpack Programs in both of our representative counties. Be donating money instead of food items the programs can purchase what items are needed most. If you are unable to attend the October meeting, donations can be mailed to Sharon Schaefer (1416 St. Meinrad Road St. Meinrad, IN 47577) or given to Stephanie Walsh at school or left in my mailbox. (2323 Franklin Street Tell City, IN 47586) One check from the organization will be sent to each of the county Backpack Program directors.

If you read my article in the September edition of ***The Hoosier Newsette*** you know the State is participating in an International Revitalization Program. A meeting will take place in Indianapolis on Saturday, October 29th if anyone is interested in attending. Lunch will be provided and there is no cost to attend.

There are a lot of great initiatives and programs going on within DKG Indiana (Chapter Chats, New Program and Service Project Databases, Hot Topic Zoom Sessions, Legislative Updates, etc.…) and I am so glad to have so many Indiana members proving my biennium theme that in Indiana we ***Don't Give Up the Ship!***

I look forward to seeing everyone at the 2022-2023 kick off meeting October 1st at The Patio at 11AM. I will share information gathered at the September Executive Board Meeting.

See you there!

Minutes

Delta Kappa Gamma

Alpha Phi Chapter

Saturday, April 2, 2022

The Delta Kappa Gamma meeting was held on April 2, 2022 Central Time at Soup N Such Bistro in Ferdinand. Hostesses for the meeting were Sharon Schaefer and Becky Hubert. Present were Diane Plassmeyer, Mary Phillips, Clara Kress, Sharon Schaefer, Angela Shelby, Jerri Hauenstein, Carolyn Pfeifer, Debbie Neyhouse, April Owen, Becky Hubert, and Stephanie Walsh, presiding. The meeting was called to order by President Stephanie Walsh and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Minutes from the February meeting that were in the Alpha Phi Lines were approved as posted.

Sharon Schaefer reported that she was collecting dues for 2022-2023 at this meeting. She also reported the balance was $962.07, unchanged from the previous meeting.

Stephanie reported that the poster that Susie Knox had put together in 2020, highlighting the GED program, after a two-year COVID related delay, will be going to the State Conference in Danville April 23rd. Thank you, Susie!

Stephanie distributed the Delta Kappa Gamma shirts that had been ordered.

Stephanie reported that she had been looking at samples from other chapters about celebrating DKG Day Proclamation in May, the anniversary of Indiana's first chapter.

Sharon again reported on the candidate for the 2022 Grant-In-Aid (Spencer County) award. Mya Boultinghouse is a graduate of Heritage Hills High School and presently attends Murray State University. Awarding the $300 grant to Mya was carried unanimously.

The floor was opened to accept additional nominations from the present slate of officers. There being no volunteers or nomination, the present slate of officers was carried unanimously.

Six members and Carol Herzog attended the 2023 State Convention Steering Committee meeting last Saturday at the Schnitzelbank. At present, Susie Knox, and Becky Hubert will be working on 100-125 Goody Bags for those in attendance. Debbie Neyhouse volunteered to Chair the Steering Committee. Stephanie will be needing additional volunteers as the date gets closer. The State Convention will be held at the Bally's Downtown Hotel.

Stephanie followed up on the following events:

- CCOT (officer training) will take place in June. Some will be in person and some on Zoom. Stephanie, Sharon, Jerri, and Becky will be attending a session.
- The State Conference is scheduled in Danville April 23. Donations for the DKG International Scholarship Fund (Individual and Chapter) will be accepted.
- All members have free access to "Hot Topics" Zoom Sessions. These are 45 minutes-one hour sessions on various topics. Last month's topic was how COVID has impacted our Youth. April 14th Hot Topic will be presented by Glenda Ferguson, from the Buffalo Trace Trail in Indiana and will cover "Where did the Buffalo Roam". May 12 Hot Topic will be "Empathy Fatigue". Any Hot Topic Zoom Session can be accessed by RSVP to IndianaDKG@gmail.com. Again access is free!
- The 2022 International Convention will take place in New Orleans July 12-16th. Registration is now open. Stephanie will be going a day early for President's Training.
- The State Executive Board Meeting will be held in Indianapolis at Embassy Suites September 24th.
- Janet O'Neal Seminar will take place November 5th Columbia City and will address the Social/Emotional Issues for the youth
- The Summer Planning Meeting will be held June 1st at 10:00 AM at Stephanie's church.

Members ordered from the menu and enjoyed various soups and sandwiches.

Jordan Foertsch and Lindsey Miller presented information on the Perry-Spencer Isaiah 117 House. They explained that Isaiah 117 House exists to reduce trauma for children entering the foster system, lighten the load for child welfare services, and ease the transition for foster families. The Isaiah 117 House provides a comforting home where these children can receive the comfort and care they need while child welfare staff can do the necessary paperwork and identify a good foster placement. Pamphlets were distributed to further explain the program.

The next meeting will be held on October 1, 2022 at 11AM Central Time at the Patio Steakhouse. The Backpack Program Donation will be on the program. Hostesses will be Kelly Freeman and Linda Freeman.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30. The member took advantage of the beautiful spring day to capture a photo outdoors after adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Hubert, Secretary

Backpack Donations

Our chapter will be donating money to the Backpack Programs in both counties. This has taken the place of our fall food drive. If you cannot attend the meeting, please send your donation to:

Sharon Schaefer

1416 St. Meinrad Rd

St. Meinrad, IN 47577

****

October Meeting

Saturday, October 1

11:00 a.m.

Patio Steak House

News from Members

From Stephanie Walsh:

In June, Julia, Olivia and I went to Savannah, Georgia, the birthplace of Girl Scouts, on a bus trip with the Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana. We visited the Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace and First Headquarters, the Tybee Island Lighthouse, Tybee Island Marine Science Center and Old Fort Jackson. We saw the Waving Girl Statue on the Savannah Riverfront and dined a lot of nice places including the Pirate House, The Crab Shack and Lady and Sons (Paula Deen's Restaurant) and we even went on a Ghost Tour!

In July my family traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana with me to attend the 2022 DKG International Convention. In some downtime from the Convention we visited the World War II Museum (The only part of the Smithsonian NOT in the DC Metro area) and the local aquarium. We walked through the French Quarter and visited some shops and restaurants on Bourbon Street. The major excitement from the trip was Olivia passing out in front of The Ruby Slipper while we waited for a table for lunch. After a visit from the local ambulance and a few tests Olivia was given a clean bill of health and Stephanie made it back to the hotel in time for the afternoon business session!

From Mary Phillips:

My grandson, Jim Phillips and his mother Mary, have completed their Master degrees online through WGU.They will be receiving their diplomas on Saturday, September 24 at the Indian State Fairgrounds.

My son Mike and his family will receive a HAIL TO FRANKLIN AWARD at the Franklin College homecoming on October 8. The award is given to alumni who have made a contribution to college life better. They set up a fund to help students who wanted to be a part of Greek Life but may need financial assistance. All four were members of a fraternity or sorority while attending Franklin College.

NEWS ITEMS

Please send all news items to:

scnewkirk1953@gmail.com

or

706 Elm St., Rockport IN 47635