

Delta Kappa Gamma

Beta Gamma Chapter





Letter from the Presidents

Dear Members,

What a wonderful year we have had so far! From the September meeting with a DKG Sister, Dr. Bettie, to the October meeting with Dr. Bachman, to the November meeting with another DKG sister, Linda Clark, we have been educated and inspired. Thank you Marilee for organizing such diverse and unique programs.

Alpha Alpha State President, Louann Schrader, surprised us with a visit at our November Meeting. She shared with us her goals and emphasized the importance of membership. We have formed a membership committee to develop new ideas and events to attract perspective members. Each of us needs to support their ideas and events.

On December 8th we are planning a pizza party with the girls at House of Hope. Besides enjoying pizza together, we will play board games and or watch a DVD together. Your monetary donations will make it possible for us to purchase gift cards for each girl as a Christmas present. Thank you for your generosity in this project.

December is a very busy month, but we are looking forward to taking a few hours to relax at our Christmas dinner at Normandie Ridge. Thanks to Michal we will enjoy some holiday music to put us in the mood for the season!

A special thank you to each of you for your support and continuous guidance. We wish you a wonderful Christmas holiday.

God Bless,

Ann and Diane

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation

Upcoming NorthEast Regional Conference

July 24-27, 2013 In Portland, Maine at the Holiday Inn by the Bay



Upcoming State
Convention

June 14-16, 2013 In State College, Pennsylvania February 1st is a date to remember!

February 1st is the application date required for many of the opportunities offered from DKG for financial assistance in professional development.

Visit the web site and check out all the DKG Foundation is doing to help our members. Here's some information about the work of the foundation.

Mission: The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation supports and encourages intercultural understanding and educational excellence.

Purposes:

- 1. Support and encourage intercultural understanding
- 2. Encourage standards of excellence in education
- 3. Assist and cooperate with schools, colleges, universities, and other

persons, organizations, trust funds, or foundations in support, encouragement, and improvement of education.

History:

The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation was established in 1964. Generous contributions from the Society, members, chapters, and friends have provided funds to support Projects that carry out the Mission and Purposes of the Foundation. Gifts to the Educational Foundation are welcome at any time and are tax deductible in the United States. Since its inception the Educational Foundation has awarded grants totaling more than \$3.1 million in its efforts to improve, enrich and encourage intercultural understanding and educational excellence.

> Article Submitted By: Dawn Brenner

Mark June 15th on Your Calendar!

Tawny O'Dell will be the guest speaker at the Alpha Alpha State Conference on June 15 after the Anniversary Luncheon at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College, PA.

Who is Tawny O'Dell, you might ask? Tawny is a novelist, whose first novel, "BackRoads," became an Oprah Winfrey pick three months after it hit the book stores in 2000. Her fifth book has recently gone to the printer and may even be in book stores as you read this.

Tawni lives in State College, PA with her two teenage children. Her book "BackRoads" is now scheduled to become a movie, with some very popular young actors being the leads. Filming is scheduled to begin next summer. She was excited to be asked to write the screen play, and she did! She is looking forward to being on the set during filming.

Tawni grew up near Indiana, PA and

shares the same hometown as the actor Jimmie Stewart! She writes about the people in the Pennsylvania coal regions, what she knows and understands best.

In "BackRoads," Harley Altmyer, a nineteen year old boy, finds himself to be the sole supporter of his two younger sisters. Their Dad is dead. Their mother is in prison for shooting him. Harley works two jobs to keep the family going, while the girls go to school. Does your heart break for this nice boy who is trying to command a very dysfunctional family. Harley is a likable "kid" who needs to be a man. And this teenager/man is attracted to an older woman. Life is not easy when you are nineteen.

This is an intense story about family, handling difficult situations and about emotional needs - no matter what your age. If you like to read, if you like to read a book before you see the movie, consider this tragic tale. It is not exactly the "Boxcar Children," it is more grown up than that.

Article Submitted By:

Marilee Kessler

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Do you want to submit an article for our spring newsletter? If so, please e-mail your article to Ashley Norris at ashnor@gmail.com. Thank you to all of those who contributed to our very first winter newsletter!

The Corresponding Secretary Wears Many Hats

My job as Corresponding Secretary of our chapter is to deal with all correspondence including sending thank you notes, thinking of you, get well or sympathy cards. I will send red roses following major surgery, long term illness or in cases of death in the family or household or to a charity if that is the wish of the member/family.

If you know any member who is ill, has had surgery or has lost a family member or just needs a special card, please send me an email and let me know. My email address is: jww96cabrio@yahoo.com or phone 244-5254.

Article Submitted By: loan Walters

Don't Forget To Your Pin!

Just as a reminder to members...Wear your Delta Kappa Gamma pin or appropriate Delta Kappa Gamma jewelry to our meetings. In the Standing Rules for our Chapter, it states that there will be a fine of \$1.00 for members who don't wear their pins/jewelry to our meeting. This rule was passed on October 3, 2011. Please wear your pin/jewelry proudly to each meeting!

Article Submitted By:
Joan Walters

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Looking for the perfect stocking stuffer? Look no further! We are selling Sheetz coupon books! For only \$10.00 you can buy that special someone a gift that gives all year long! See Linda Martin for details



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