Chi Chapter Projects Update
By Amy Smith

Great news, Chi Chapter! Through the donations from our December meeting, we helped 150 families and over 100 children have a very blessed Christmas! Thanks for your generosity, Sisters! If you were unable to give during that time or would like to spread more joy, DVS is in need of more umbrellas, baby monitors, nightlights, as well as gift cards for $5-$15 to places like Wal-mart, Target, and various fast food restaurants. Please bring your donations to our February meeting.

The Projects Committee is also hoping to donate our hand-painted child’s chair to a local organization for their use. Additionally, we will be supporting our Lancaster branch of Habitat for Humanity through donations for new home dedications. Stay tuned for more information about our International project and our local work with Habitat for Humanity!

Meet Kara Newhouse in February
by Dr. Marj Paradise

Ms. Kara Newhouse is an educational correspondent. Her presentation will provide us insights to the life of a young professional woman in the world of news.

She is a graduate of American University in Washington, D.C. She has traveled to some fascinating world destinations!

Come join us at the February meeting to meet and hear from her!

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*Luncheon Reservations for our February meeting are due to Kathy Kuzmiak by Friday, January 30, 2015.
The temperatures this week are below 10 degrees. I usually spend the day in the back of the house, the northern side, because that's where the kitchen, family room, and fireplace are. Today I have decided to pitch camp in the front foyer with the inner front door opened. Oh, the sun feels delightful! I am accompanied by three cats: one trying to secure more lap space, one perched atop the table playing with the extra pen, and the big guy lounging on the rug under my sunny feet. Oh, the peal of purrs. This is something unusual for them. Who sits inside with the door opened on a cold winter's day?

Who, indeed? What have you tried lately that is different than what you usually do? Have you tried to gain a different perspective from the “tried and true”? Does the newness of doing something unexpected delight you and those around you? Surprise someone this year by being your unique you. Tweak the usualness of your life and put a smile on those near you. Be healthy and have a happy 2015.

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Our Ways and Means Committee is planning a Brunch and Fashion Show at the General Sutter Inn on Saturday, April 18. It is a fundraiser for the Scholarship Committee. In the past, our fundraisers have been well-attended, the food has been plentiful, and the fashions make our models look younger and more tapered. Please plan to attend, and bring a friend with you. Coupons will be included for post-brunch shopping.

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Winter brings longer and colder days, more difficult driving experiences with changing weather conditions, and loneliness to those staying warm behind shuttered doors. If you are caring for an ill or infirm friend or family member, my thoughts go out to you for sharing your time in such a wonderful way. If you are taxiing friends to activities, meetings, church, and grocery shopping, your heart is in the right place. If you are reaching out with an email or phone call to someone you haven't spoken to in a while, you are a true friend. Taking care of others is a genuine sign of Empowerment in your life.

I wish you all a safe, enriched, healthy, happy, and empowered 2015.

With love to you all,
Lois
Professional Affairs Committee Focuses on Education, Women and Children

By: Gisele Siebold, Chair of the Professional Affairs Committee

The Professional Affairs Committee has the following roles: to initiate action in the field of legislation to improve education and the status of women educators; and to keep the membership informed of legislation which focuses on education, women’s issues and children’s nurture and care.

The U.S. Forum/Educational Liaison member, currently Gisele Siebold, shares information received from the Alpha Alpha State U.S Forum Education Legislation Representative with Chi chapter members. DKG member responses to the shared information can and does cause action in Congress. Five constituent contacts cause a Congressman to pay serious attention to an issue.

As an example, Congress approved the National Defense Authorization Act, which cleared the House on December 4, 2014, passed the Senate a week later and is finally headed to the President’s desk. The measure would address the issue of sexual assault in the military and provide breastfeeding support under the TRICARE military health insurance program. The bill contains provisions to establish a commission to study the creation of a National Women’s History Museum in Washington, D.C. - after 16 years of advocacy efforts. The American Association of University Women (AAUW) has been a long-time supporter of this bill and believes a museum to recognize women’s many historic accomplishments is long overdue.

The Professional Affairs Committee Members include: Gisele Siebold, Carol Heintzelman, Shirley Seldomridge and Amy Slamp.

Want to receive professional affair email updates on a regular basis? Send an email to Gisele at lunaangeldancer@msn.com indicating your interest. Unite with Delta Kappa Gamma sisters in letting your voice be heard and join the Professional Affairs Committee.
The Ways & Means Committee has organized a brunch and fashion show to be held at General Sutter Inn in Lititz on Saturday, April 18, 2015. We have reserved the room at General Sutter from 10:30AM-2:00PM.

Clemintines Women’s Clothing Store in Lititz has agreed to have the fashion show with our members as models. Clemintines will offer discounts on that day to Delta Kappa Gamma members. Their motto is, “We can dress you for ANY occasion”.

The cost of each ticket is $35.00. The deadline for purchasing tickets is April 11, 2015. Bought tickets will be handed out at the door. This fundraising event is a wonderful opportunity to raise monies for our scholarship award. Write checks to Delta Kappa Gamma and send checks to:

Brenda Goddard
2470 Butter Road
Lancaster, PA 17601
Phone: 394-9957
e-mail address:brenda.goddard1409@gmail.com

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Let’s make this a success. So invite family, friends, and neighbors to enjoy a morning of delicious food and new fashions from Clemintines.
In the Spotlight
By Kathy Kuzmiak

One of the initiatives during this biennium is for members to get to know each other better. Therefore, we will be highlighting two members at each meeting. At the meeting in October, the following two ladies were in the spotlight.

Joy Dietrich was born on August 2, 1937 in Lancaster General Hospital. She attended Haupt Elementary School in the city for first through third grades. After WW II, her parents bought their first home in Manheim Township so she attended Brecht Elementary School and graduated from Manheim Township High School. She attended Millersville College, student taught at Wickersham Elementary School in the city and then got a job teaching third grade at Stevens Elementary School. She and her husband Jerry had two children, Jennifer and Jeff so Joy stayed home for ten years before she began working with the Lancaster County Reading Association. Through the IU 13 she received training to become a tutor which led to a job with Hempfield School District as a part time reading teacher. Joy pursued a Specialist Certification program and finished her Master’s at Millersville University. She remained with Hempfield School District at Rohrerstown Elementary School until she retired. She joined Chi in 1992, has served in many offices including president and also chaired the Scholarship Committee. Joy enjoys reading, decorating and gardening. She volunteered at the Rose Garden in Buchanan Park which resulted in her recognition by the Lancaster County Garden Club and led to her nomination for the Album of Distinction for Alpha Alpha in 2009. She has traveled extensively to Australia, Greece, Spain, Portugal, New Zealand and across the United States. Her motto is to live every day to the fullest and be present in the moment. She loves spending time with her granddaughter in Virginia whenever possible.

Stephanie Crush was born on September 14, 1980 so she recently turned 34 years old – happy belated birthday. She grew up in Cornwall and graduated from Cedar Crest High School. She attended Penn State University – go Nittany Lions!! Stephanie joined Chi in 2011 and has served on the Ways and Means Committee. She is a kindergarten teacher in the Hempfield School District. She and her husband Harold have one son, Morgan, who is 2 ½ years old. Her hobbies include reading, scrapbooking and photography. Her favorite place to vacation is Disney because it is the land of Magic.
Kay Gontner was born on July 24th and has been a member of DKG since 1970. She was our Chi Chapter President in 1980 – 1982 and has served in many roles with Chi especially the visual and performing arts committee. Kay is always willing to lend a hand and help not only with Chi but also with her church, St. Matthew’s Lutheran in Grandview Heights. Kay is at St. Matthew’s almost every day volunteering – editing, proofing, putting up bulletin boards whatever is needed AND she sings in the choir. Grandview Heights has been Kay’s home all her life. She was born there and went to Schaeffer Elementary and Manheim Township for her secondary years. When Kay got married her first home was in Leola with her husband Chet. After 7 years they moved from Leola to Grandview Heights and have been there ever since. Kay and Chet were married in June and this June will be their 55th Anniversary. They have an adorable Wheaten Terrier named Molly! Kay’s BS and Masters degree are both from Millersville University in elementary education. Kay taught for 37 years in the classroom and then worked for Millersville University for 13 years as a Supervisor for Student Teachers. Kay student taught at Schaeffer Elementary and her first teaching position was at Schaeffer Elementary! Then Nancy Rill asked Kay to come and teach at the School District of Lancaster where she worked until she retired. Kay’s hobbies include music, gardening and reading.

Kathy Swantner was born on April 27th and is 44 years old. Kathy was first initiated into DKG in 2008 and was recently re-instated at our October meeting. We are thrilled to have Kathy back! This is Kathy’s 21st year in education. She taught 6th grade and 4th grade and this is her ninth year as principal at Rohrerstown Elementary School in Hempfield School District. Dr. Kathy Swantner’s education includes a BS degree from Millersville, a Masters degree from Penn State, a Principal Cert from Penn State, an ESL Cert from Millersville and her Doctorate degree is from Immaculata! Kathy loves her job and the 500+ students! She is a very hands-on principal, whether she is working with her staff or working with students she is always out and about in the building. Kathy and Ron were married on June 24, 2000 and have enjoyed 14 wonderful years together. Kathy has 3 children, Andrew, Ronny and Lexi. Andrew is 24 years old and lives and works in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Ronny is 13 years old and in eighth grade and Lexi is 8 years old and in third grade. With all the activities and sports that Ronny and Lexi are involved in and the career of a principal Kathy is a very busy woman! Her hobbies include working in the yard, going for walks or running when she can and reading.
Chi Chapter Remembers: Mary E. Stoner Strickler

Mary Elizabeth Stoner Strickler was born in Southern Lancaster County in 1928 into a family of eight children. She was the wife of Ross Risser Strickler, to whom she was married for 65 years. She had a son Ted (Kansas City MO) and a daughter Millie Carlson (Ephrata). A life-long area native, Mary was a graduate of East Drumore HS and Quarryville HS as well as Millersville State Teachers College. She received her Master's degree from Millersville State Teachers College and her Certificate of Educational Administration from Temple University.

Her teaching career began in a rural one-room school in East Drumore Township and extended to Warwick and Hempfield Districts, and ended in Lampeter-Strasburg District where she retired as an Elementary School Supervisor. Mary was involved in her church activities for 60 years, and in DKG for 50 years.

Mary passed away on September 4, 2014 at Landis Homes in Landisville after having been in declining health. She also leaves two grandsons and four great-grandchildren.

Chi Chapter Remembers: Fay Carpenter Garman

Fay Garman passed away on Tuesday, March 18, 2014. She had been a resident of Luther Acres, Lititz. Fay was 89 years old. She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Scott, and her sons Gregory and Jesse and their families.

Fay was a speech-language pathologist in the Lancaster area schools. She began her career in the same one-room schoolhouse at White Oak where her mother had taught. She taught eight grades and 50 students. She then became responsible for Cocalico, Ephrata, Hempfield, Penn Manor, and Warwick speech students with a caseload of 300. Warwick School District hired her in 1956 as the first speech therapist in Lancaster County.

Fay graduated from Carnegie Tech (now Carnegie-Mellon University) in 1947 with a B.S. in English and History. She subsequently took classes at Duke University, Oxford University (England), and F&M. She was a co-ed at F&M in 1953-56 and half of the first husband and wife team to receive a Master's degree in 1956.

Fay enjoyed travel to Europe, into the Caribbean, through the Holy Land where she rode a camel at age 70, sailing the Panama Canal, around Cape Horn, and crossing the Atlantic.

As a life-long member of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church in Lititz, she had the distinction of being the first woman elected as Church Council President, and was active on the Church Archives committee for many years.

Fay joined Delta Kappa Gamma in 1968. She was a Reserve Member of Chi Chapter.
Check out the DKG State website now located at www.alphaalphapa.com

Dates to Remember

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Executive Board Meetings: at the home of Lois Brown @ 4:30 PM

Tuesday, March 3, 2015 (Kathy/Marcia-hosts)

August 2015 (Cori/host)

Submission Dates for the Newsletter

Friday, March 6, 2015 (for April)
Delta Kappa Gamma International Society
Chi Chapter General Membership Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2014

Opening Ceremonies
Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm by Lois Brown.
Welcome to Guests: Lois Brown welcomed guests Briana Webster who is transferring to Chi from Alabama, Lisa Gephart Sears, Sarah Clare, and Marlene Reynolds.
Thought for the Day: Chris Kowalski presented the reading, “Holding a Child’s Hand”
Adoption of the Agenda: The Agenda was adopted as presented with no corrections.
Reading of the Minutes: The minutes from October 2014 were approved as written and will be filed as presented.
President’s Report: No report.
Treasurer’s Report: Kathy Kuzmiak reported that our current checking account balance is $8,365.46, the Money Market Savings balance is $6,000, and there is a certificate of deposit (CD) in the amount of $901.25. The report will be filed for future review at the end of fiscal year in June 2015.
Correspondence: Susan Fritz read a letter of resignation from Angela Tilghman effective this program year. Letters of appreciation also were read from Deb Manning (Domestic Violence Services), Pat Sullivan, and Anna Laura Thompson.
Sister Spotlight: Eileen Little highlighted the profiles of Kay Gontner who was initiated in 1970 and Kathy Swantner who was initiated in 2008 and re-instated in 2014.
Something to Crow About: Susan Fritz presented the following items: Brenda Hanthorn was unable to attend the December meeting because she was in Bahrain visiting her son and his family; Marj Paradise’s son, Mitch, is currently interviewing for medical residences and was invited to interview at Harvard; and, Regina Kegal welcomed her first grandchild.

Society Business
Finance Report: No report.
Membership: No report. Marj Paradise noted that there are prospect cards on each table.
Nominations: Eileen Little highlighted the need for women to serve on State level committees and that specific information regarding the process for submitting names is on page 14 of the Keystonian, Winter 2014 edition. The deadline for submitting names and areas of interest is April 15, 2015.

Educational Excellence
Professional Growth: Marj Paradise reported that the Initiation and Nomination Committees are in charge of the February meeting.
Professional Affairs: CTAUN is scheduled for 1/30/2015 in New York City.
Projects: Amy Smith extended thanks for the gifts brought for donation to DVS. She will be collecting items for baskets to be presented to families as they enter their Habitat for Humanity homes in the spring.
Visual and Performing Arts: Kay Gontner noted that Carol Hoover was present to play piano but there was no piano available in the business meeting room.
Communications and Publicity: Susan Fritz thanked her committee for their work and directed members to pick up their copy of the Chi Chapter Yearbook 2014-2016.
Historical Records: Carol Hartley indicated that committee members will be contacting people to complete or update their biographical information so the records on file are current.
Scholarship & Grant in Aid: Chris Kowalski reported that the amount of the scholarship award was increased to $600 for 2015. Her committee is working on fine-tuning the application process.
World Fellowship: Cori Feyock reported that Sandra Deemer is joining this committee. Cori reviewed and passed out a handout titled Empowerment, which highlights books, websites, and two local conferences on/for women.
Special Committees
Ways & Means: Arlene Gaudioso reported on the fundraiser which will be on Saturday April 18, 2015 from 10:30 to 2:00 at General Sutter Inn for a cost of $40. There will be a fashion show by Clemintine’s and a brunch. This event is open to the public but tickets must be pre-ordered. Brenda Goddard will be collecting money for the tickets. Information about the event will be in the February and April newsletters. Seven models are needed for the fashion show.

New Business
No new business was introduced.

Announcements
The next meeting on Saturday, February 7, 2015 at 9:00am will be the Birthday/Necrology commemorations and will feature lunch and a program about “Professional Women”.

Adjourn – 8:00 pm

DKG International and Alpha Alpha State
- CTAUN in New York City - January 30, 2015
- Creative Arts Retreat - March 27, 28, and 29, 2015
- Alpha Alpha State Convention in State College - June 12, 13, and 14, 2015
- NERC in Baltimore - July 8 through 11, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan S. Fritz
Secretary

Lois Brown
President

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Third Chi Chapter Meeting, 2014-2016 Biennium

EMPOWERment

Bolger Center at Millersville University in Old Main

Saturday, February 7th, 2015
9:00 PM to 12:00 PM

*Birthday/Necrology Service *Business Meeting

* Program “Professional Women: Kara Newhouse”

Traditional Menu:
Mixed Baby Greens
Lite Italian or Ranch Dressings

Marauder Chicken in a light cream sauce
(Boneless breast of chicken filled with chevre, prosciutto, and baby spinach, breaded and baked to perfection)
Roasted Yukon Gold Wedge Potatoes
Buttered Baby Carrots with Parsley
Assorted Dinner Rolls with Butter
Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea & Water
Dessert: Birthday Cupcakes

Cost: $20

Return this form BY Friday, January 30, 2015 to make your reservation to:
Kathy Kuzmiak, 1819 Windsong Lane, Lancaster PA 17602, (717) 299-3458.
Regrets only to: KKuzmiak@aol.com

* Have something to crow about? Share it with us! Write your news on the back!*