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GAMMA SOCIETY
INTERNATIONAL
PROMOTES
PROFESSIONAL
AND PERSONAL
GROWTH OF
WOMEN
EDUCATORS AND
EXCELLENCE IN
EDUCATION.

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Dear Sisters,

"And the sun took a step back, the leaves lulled themselves to sleep and Autumn was awakened." Raquel Franco labels herself, "a poet and a woman in progress." While her message seems to reflect the current season we're enjoying with colors and coolness, I wonder if it also reflects our growth as individuals. Sometimes, I find myself needing to slow down my pace, to breathe deeply, to allow healing and respite for both my body and mind. This time of year is when many plants take a "leave of absence," no pun intended, to prepare for dormancy during the winter months. As humans, we need opportunities for leisure,

too, especially when busy schedules, jobs, and family obligations keep us constantly on the move. Thanks, Autumn, for reminding us that we should take time to rest so that when we do awaken, we are at our best. Plan to take a "time out" to enjoy Alpha Sigma sisterhood at Elham's Restaurant on November 4! See you then!



Karen



November 4, 2017

Elham's Restaurant

2001 East Washington Street, New Castle Pa 16101

Meeting 10:30 am

Lunch 12:30 pm

Amount: \$17.50

Menu:

**Chicken and rice or Lamb and Rice,
Tabbouleh salad, Syrian Bread,
Drinks**

Hostesses: Octavia Payne and Jane Dean

Reservation deadline:

by October 27; send check payable to:

Octavia Payne

1707 Highland Ave.

New Castle, PA 16105

Memo on check—Chicken or lamb

Raffle Basket :

Communications and Finance Committees

Directions:

From Butler: 422 W to 422 bypass, First Exit on bypass—E. Washington St., exit bypass and turn right onto E. Washington St. Restaurant on right. (Formerly Medure's Restaurant, across street from Cascade Park.)



Please read all your *Clapper*! Print it or save it as reference. Record meeting dates on your calendar as soon as you receive it.

In nature, nothing is perfect and everything is perfect. Trees can be contorted, bent in weird ways, and they're still beautiful ... Alice Walker

Individual commitment to a group effort - that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work. ...Vince Lombardi

There is a thin line that separates laughter and pain, comedy and tragedy, humor and hurt. ...Erma Bombeck

*Editor's note: As I search for appropriate subject matter quotations each newsletter, I have found that less than 10% online are by women!

From the Editor

Please remember to reply "rec'd" to your electronic newsletter.

The *Alpha Sigma Clapper* is also posted online on the Alpha Alpha website. Go to www.alphaalphapa.com Click on: News, then- News from the Chapters. For old newsletters - click on Archives. Check other chapters' news, too. For *The Keystoneian*, click on Keystoneian at the top of the Alpha Alpha home page.

The Clapper is available on our chapter website www.dkgalphasigma.org Please use our site often for reference and up-to-date info. Our certified site has Links to State and International. Check out all three web sites to learn more about your Society.

Use our Face Book pages: DKG/Alpha Alpha State for up to date news on our members and pictures. And check out The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International on FB.

Follow Alpha Sigma on Face Book: Alpha Sigma Chapter PA DKG and remember to like our page, and Twitter: @alphasigmaDKG

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Dates To Remember—Please note deadline dates.

January 15, 2018 - Deadline to apply to be a State Convention Workshop Presenter

February 1, 2018 - Deadline to apply for the Nancy Grove Visionary Fund

March 15, 2018 - Deadline to apply for the Album of Distinction

March 18-21, 2018 - National Legislative Seminar in Washington D.C.

April 6, 2018 - CTAUN, UN New York City, NY

June 15-17, 2018 - Pennsylvania State Convention, Nittany Lion Inn State College, PA

July 16-20, 2018 - International Convention, Austin, Texas

Dues Reminder

There are a few still out. **Deadline for dues is September 30!** Please send your check for \$83. made payable to DKG to Carol Herbert, 2 W. Meyer Ave., NC, PA 16105 today!

US Forum

The committee reminded us to watch closely ACA in Washington and PA Budget—Call or fax your state and national representatives. Our health care and pensions are at risk.

Membership

Sisters, are you looking for worthy new members for Alpha Sigma? You can bring potential members any time. Why don't you bring a key women educator to the September meeting. Don't forget former members who might wish to return. Call them today. Also, please call members who haven't been to a meeting recently. (New corrected pages in yearbook will be ready at November meeting.)

Nominations

A slate of officer nominees for the 2018-2020 biennium will be presented for a vote at the November 4th meeting. Any member interested in serving in an office should contact Rose Ann Fulena at Roefu@aol.com or 724-971-4599 by October 21. Those members who spoke to Roe at the September 23rd meeting have already been noted.

Projects

Raffle Baskets: If you are on a committee responsible for a raffle basket, please send \$5.00 to the chair of the committee, There have been times when the chair has paid for the basket alone. Your committee assignments are in your book and on the web site.

We took a collection at the September meeting for Hurricane and Earthquake victims. It will be sent to the DKG International Emergency Fund. If you wish to donate, send your checks to Carol Herbert and write emergency fund on the memo.

Information on our Wreath sale should be out soon.

Glory Grille - we will serve and/or send desserts on December 2, It is located in First Presbyterian Church. New Castle.

Member News

Please send wedding, birth, health and hospitalization, family deaths, etc. news to the editor. Also, tell us what you are doing in your classrooms or schools. We'd all love to know.

Nanette Kaplan Solomon is in Russia. When she returns, she and her sister, Iris Kaplan Rosenthal, also a concert pianist, will perform at the Hoyt Center for the Arts on Oct. 15 at 3 pm. The Kaplan Duo will also perform in Beaver on Oct. 13.

Michelle McCollin received the Outstanding Humanitarian Award by Voice Magazine in Nigeria in September. She is back with us until January when she leaves for a Fulbright Scholarship semester in Viet Nam. Keep collecting eye glasses, everyone.

Rose Ann Fulena will receive The Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County 2017 Volunteer "Above and Beyond" Award at a dinner in her honor at the Villa in New Castle on October 25. Beside her personal work for them, she involves her students to help there.

Lorma Hill has been moved to reserve status. She now lives in Zelienople and has been in poor health. Let her know your thinking of her.

Peg Dumbaugh has moved to New England to be closer to family.

Please change to these emails in your book:

Shayne Garcia-Bish sgarciab@stlukecabot.org and **Michelle Mrozek** mchlmrzk89@gmail.com (Shelly, why 89, when you graduated in 88?)

Linda Makarevich is taking a group to Quebec.-See attachment. Linda's daughter was married in Sept. The three girls are Linda's granddaughters. Enlarge for detail.



Jonica Walters was at the dedication of her two young grandsons during our Sept. meeting.

It was great to see **Shirley Lotz** and Fergie (**Helen Ferguson**) at the meeting. Shirley will be heading back to Florida soon.

More Member News

Debbie McMillin will be acting assistant treasurer while **Carol Herbert** lies on a lounge at her Florida home. Still use Carol's New Castle address to send checks.

We regret to inform you that **Patty English**, **Maryanne Galiano**, **Joyce Holzhauser**, and **Marilyn Cook** have resigned from DKG. They will be missed. We hope they will return some day.

Please send cards to these Alpha Sigma sisters:

Mamie Catlin who lost her brother. **Sonie Laughead** has been under the weather.

Serena Robinson Burnett lost her mother. Selena's zip code is wrong in our book—it should be 16101.

Ruth Johnson is in a nursing home. Cards may still be sent to her home address at this time.



Old Stone House: enlarge to see more detail.

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