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

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# Alpha Sigma Clapper

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## President's Message

Hello Sisters,

It's finally Fall! To me, this is the best time of year – time to break out the boots, scarves and coats!

Thank you to everyone who paid their dues on time. If you have not yet sent your dues to Mary Chris, please do so ASAP! Our bylaws state that all dues are to be paid by September 30.

Attendance at our past few meetings had been underwhelming, averaging around only 50% of the total membership. Please make the

most of your DKG membership by attending a meeting or assisting with one of our service projects! We would love to see some long-lost faces in October!

*Diana*



## Tue., Oct. 27, 2015 Meeting

Nino's Two Tomatoes

2409 Wilmington Rd.

New Castle, PA 16105

MEETING: **6:00 PM**

PROGRAM: **Linda Makerevich -**

**Traveling Abroad in Quebec**

DINNER: **7:00PM**

HOSTESSES: Stef & Roe Fulena

Raffle Basket: Projects/Photographer

**MENU:** Tuscan insalate, wedding soup, 2 pasta dishes - Gnoccatelli Sorrentino (red sauce) and Pesto Penne Caprese, Chicken Marsala and NY Strip Florentina, fresh bread, butter and olive oil, drinks **\$20 + tax and tip** **Wonderful meal for \$25!**

## Dues

Active members, it's that time of year again. Please send your dues \$83. to:

Mary Chris Falbo  
105 Freedom Rd.  
Butler, PA 16001

Before **September 30**. **Help** your treasurer by sending your check, payable to **Alpha Sigma Chapter** today!

*Mary Chris*

Make check for **\$25**. payable to :  
Stef Fulena  
1015 Charles Dr.  
New Castle, PA 16101  
724 654-1895

Reservations due by Thursday, Oct. 20.

Directions: Just before and across the street from Carol Herbert's Store. From Butler: Rt. 422 W to downtown New Castle to Rt 18N.



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

“Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children.”

...Sitting Bull

“Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.”

... Maya Angelou

“If we can conquer space, we can conquer childhood hunger.” ... Buzz Aldren

## 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.alphaalphapapa.com](http://www.alphaalphapapa.com) Click on: News, then- News from the Chapters. For old newsletters - click on Archives. Check other chapters’ news, too. For *The Keystonean*, click on Keystonean at the top of the Alpha Alpha home page. *The Clapper* is also available on our chapter website [www.dkgalphasigma.org](http://www.dkgalphasigma.org) Please use our site often for reference and up-to-date info. Our site has Links to State and International. Check out all three web sites to learn more about your Society. Use the Face Book pages: DKG/Alpha Alpha State and The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International on FB.

**NEW:** Follow Alpha Sigma on Face Book: Alpha Sigma Chapter PA DKG Instagram: AlphaSigmaDKG Twitter:@alphasigmaDKG *Stef Fulena*

## US Forum

Keep you eyes on:

Follow: ECAA (Every Child Achieves Act) the new No Child Left Behind bill

And, Act 743—Veterans Affairs

NOMOROBO.com—go to this site to block robocalls from telemarketers.

And, Please Vote!

*Jean Speight*

## Projects

The date for our chapter to host Glory Grille at First Presbyterian Church, New Castle is Nov. 21. To volunteer your time or to bake desserts, call Dot at 724 283- 8142.

Alpha Sigma voted to give \$100 to McQuiston Elementary School, Butler, for their Backpack Initiative Program which sends snacks and meals home each Friday to participants. Almost all schools represented by our membership have such programs and are in need. We ask that you make a personal donation to your school of choice (call them) and after notify me so I can report our new project to State.

*Dot Dodson*

## Membership



Welcome new member, Betsy Wolford. Betsy teaches sixth grade at Laurel. She and her husband, Gary, have two sons in college. Becky is my sister/sister.

Sisters, are you looking for worthy new members for Alpha Sigma? This is our regular recruiting time (although you can bring potential members any time). Please bring a key women educator to the Oct. meeting. Don't forget former members who might

wish to return. Call them today. *Karen Matis*

## Dates To Remember

- Oct. 27, 2015 (\*Tuesday) Nino's II Tomatoes, New Castle, PA (\*Dinner)
- January 16, 2016 (tent) Paint & Pour Birthday Bash TBD
- April 2, 2016 GRACE@ CALVARY CHURCH Butler, PA
- May 12, 2016 THE CRANE ROOM, New Castle, PA
- June 10-12, 2016 Alpha Alpha State Convention PSU Nittany Lion Inn
- July 5-9, 2016 International Convention, Nashville, Tennessee

## Member News

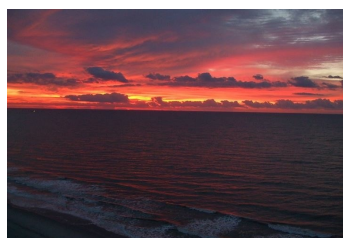
*Please send wedding, birth, health and hospitalization, family deaths, etc. news to the editor. Also, tell us what you are doing in your classrooms or schools. We'd all love to know.*

**Shirley Lotz** visited Israel and Guatemala this summer. Shirley is a founder of a school in Guatemala and she was visiting the school to see its progress. She'll soon be returning to her winter home in Florida. She and **Beth Mercurio** were the two Alpha Sigma sisters who eulogized **Mimi Rider** at our memorial.

It was good to see **Helen Ferguson** at the September meeting, back from her recuperation from surgery.

**Sandy Graham** is visiting the Outer Banks.

**Jean Speight** and **Stef Fulena** are presenting "Forgotten Women..." for Gamma Chapter in Erie in October. Alpha Phi Chapter in Pittsburgh has asked **Stef** and **Roe Fulena** to present their program "Yay, We're Irish Again" about Scotland and Ireland in the spring. They first presented this program last summer at State.



Where was **Bonnie Lee Barnes**?

## More Member News

**Mary Alice Snyder** has agreed to finish the term of Chapter Recording Secretary, **Veronica Rozic**, who had to resign from the position due to health issues. Our thanks to both of them.

**Bridget Miller** is preparing to begin working on a doctoral degree in Special Education at SRU.

**Nanette Kaplan Solomon** and her sister, Iris Kaplan Rosenthal, (The Kaplan Duo) will perform Friday, October 16, at Park Presbyterian Church in Beaver and on Sunday, October 18 at First Unitarian Church of Pittsburgh.

**Nanette, Stef Fulena, and Rose Ann Fulena** are preparing for a cultural exchange trip to Cuba this fall. Nanette's husband, Lee Ann Fulena, and two other friends are attending as well.

**Sonie Laughead** was honored by being placed into the PA Voters Hall of Fame. Pennsylvania Secretary of State and other elected officials congratulated the 131 Butler County voters who have cast ballots in at least 50 consecutive general elections.

Sonie—first row, second from left



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