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GROWTH OF
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President's Message

Dear Sisters,

Welcome to the beginning of a new biennium of Alpha Sigma! Karen, Bess and I have some exciting new ideas planned for the next two years. Our goal is to show our current, prospective and also former members everything that Delta Kappa Gamma has to offer. I ask that the membership please keep an open mind to any changes that may arise as we move our chapter forward.

Our big push for the next calendar year is to increase

membership in Alpha Sigma. Please keep an eye out for any potential new members, and encourage former members to join us for a meeting, in the hopes that they consider renewing their membership. To assist in increasing membership, we have begun a Mentorship Program. Information on this can be found inside this newsletter.

Please join me in making Alpha Sigma the best that it can be!

See you in October .

Diana

New and potential member orientation - September 24 at Bess Ondako's home. Contact Bess for time and more information and to RSVP. Potential mentors are also invited.

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"Chapter Rules: IV.B: Annual dues must be paid to the chapter treasurer prior to Sept. 30."

**Please mail \$83. to:
Mary Chris Falbo,
105 Freedom Rd.,
Butler, PA 16001**

Oct, 13, 2014 Meeting

GALLO'S ITALIAN VILLA
2420 WILMINGTON RD
New Castle PA 16105

EX. BOARD: 5:00 PM

**INITIATIONS &
MEETING:** 5:30 PM
DINNER: 6:30 PM

HOSTESSES: Karen Tinstman &
Joyce Holzhauser

MENU & COST: Penne, meatballs, oven roasted chicken, wedding soup, parsley potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, rolls, beverages- **\$17.00**

Directions: From Butler: 422W through New Castle Turn right on Jefferson St. at Kennedy Square. At top of hill stay left, it becomes Wilmington Rd. Gallo's is on right side

**Send checks made payable to
Joyce Holzhauser
3223 Frew Mill Rd.,
New Castle, PA 16101
724 924-2203
by Oct. 4, 2014.**



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

"Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today." *Malcolm X*

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." *Helen Keller*

"Women are the largest untapped reservoir of talent in the world." *Hillary Clinton*

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From the Editor

Please remember to reply "rec'd" to your electronic newsletter. If you don't receive *The Keystoneian*, *DKG News*, or *Bulletin*, let us know. It is your responsibility to notify international and us of regular mail address changes.

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Stef

Projects

We made 84 new teacher bags. Butler had the most new teachers.

Membership

We will initiate three new members at the October meeting: Lil Betts, St. Vitus School, History and Religion; Emily Clare, Assistant Principal Avonworth Middle/Senior High School ; Mary Alice Snyder, Mohawk, Elementary Gifted and Special Services . Please join us to welcome them .

Bess Ondako, Membership

Personal Growth

We are ready for the new "Decade" project which highlights your high school life. FUN! Have you sent me your form with a picture of you in high school? Can't wait to see those! If you need a form, email me. My email is listed in your yearbook (red/white).

Jean Speight, Personal Growth Chair

**Congratulations to new DKG
International President —
Dr. Lyn Schmid!**



Pennsylvania Night at Indianapolis by Bonnie Lee Barnes

54 members of the Pennsylvania delegation held its traditional evening-out together at the Ram Restaurant in downtown Indianapolis. Charged with providing the entertainment for this informal get together, the “Co-Worts” Committee of Bonnie Barnes, Karen Tinstman, Carol Herbert, (all of Alpha Sigma), and Sue Stamm, (of Lambda), did just that. First, they designed “fans” to celebrate the installation of Dr. Lyn as our new 2014-2016 International President.

Secondly, they introduced a new game entitled “Free-For-All” that had the audience divide into teams for a competitive match of “Do you know your DKG Sisters?” Prior to Indy, the Co-Worts quietly gathered information on Sisters during our June State Convention. These clues and a selected song provided a profile by which teams had to use to identify the Sister. Our time-keeper, Karen, gave them 30 seconds to guess. Then our judge, Sue, called for a final answer. If no answer or an incorrect answer, then the question was open to the floor. Thus, ‘free-for-all’ in sued. The group became quite rowdy at times but what fun we all had. The highlight of this game was our clue provider, Dee Kay Geena, the Magnificent, who stole the show with her award-winning performance. Our PA Night in Indy will always be an evening to remember.

Dates to Remember

September 12, 2014	Deadline to register for Purposeful Seminar—Lancaster on Sept. 26-28, 2014
Nov. 15 2014	Alpha Sigma - Mac’s Rt . 8 Café, Butler. PA
Jan. 10, 2015	Alpha Sigma Birthday Party -The Confluence, New Castle, PA
April 11, 2015	Three Chapter Meeting Gallo’s, New Castle, PA
May 9, 2015	Alpha Sigma - YMCA New Castle, PA
June 12-14, 2015	Alpha Alpha State Convention PSU Nittany Lion Inn
July 8-11, 2015	NERC Baltimore, Md

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.

Linda O’Neill was awarded the Annual Winsand Leadership Award – University of Pittsburgh’s Tri-State Study Council. She was also named an “Outstanding Educator” by Lawrence/Shenango Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Nanette Solomon and her husband vacationed in Barcelona, then sailed on a schooner to Nice.

Stef and Rose Ann Fulena traveled to Scotland and Ireland studying part of their genealogy. They each received an Alpha Alpha Enrichment Grant to help cover expenses at the state convention. They were also named Alpha Alpha State Women of Distinction - 2014 at a reception at the convention.

Toni Schooley travelled to Brisbane and Sydney, Australia.

Stef Fulena was the 2014 Lawrence County Historical Society’s honoree at the Annual Members and Friends Dinner at Cascade Park Dance Pavilion. Alpha Sigma sisters attended along with many of Stef’s family, friends, and colleagues, and society members.

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Jean and Curtis Speight have downsized. They sold their home and moved into a condo. New address: 219 Winter Rd., 1C, New Castle, PA 16101. Jean and Stef Fulena presented their "Forgotten Women in PA History" program at State in June to 125 sisters! They have been invited to present for several chapters. They will present to Alpha Omicron this September.

Julie Venditto is now at Jameson Health Place, Wilmington Rd., New Castle, PA 16105. Please send her a card.

Carol Herbert, Karen Tinstman, and Bonnie Lee Barnes hosted Pennsylvania Night at International in Indianapolis. See story inside.

Karen Matis went big-game hunting with her husband in South Africa. He bagged a huge Cape buffalo.



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