

Delta Kappa Gamma Chi Chapter March 2023 Newsletter

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President’s Message

Happy Spring! I hope that you are anticipating the end of the school year and State Convention. It has been an exciting first year of this biennium.

I have been encouraged by the participation of our membership at meetings, social events and our projects. We have several members who have applied for scholarships, enrichment grants and other opportunities through DKG.

We are looking forward to our Trivia Night in May. I hope to see many teams, baskets and desserts. Don’t forget to register for State Convention as Chi chapter will be one of several recognized at the celebration luncheon.

Finally, I hope to see you at our April 15 meeting when we will assemble our STEM bags and hear from Dr. Lisa Mumma about her dissertation. See everyone soon!

~ Sue

IMPORTANT DATES

2022-2023 Chapter Meeting

- Saturday April 15, 9-11:30am Brightside Opportunities Center



Upcoming Events

March 20 - Chi Visionary Award is due to Barb Andrews

April 21-23 - State Creative Arts Retreat - Register on the state website.

May 1 - Chi Chapter Grant-in-Aide applications due to Christine Kowalski

May 4 - Trivia Night at Lititz Springs Inn at 6:30pm

May 11 - Book Club at Panera at 6pm

June 21-23 - State Convention at Wyndham Lancaster

**Join us for the Celebration Luncheon - Chi is celebrating 75 years!

For Upcoming State Events please check the state website!

MEDIA RELEASE FORMS

We are still collecting the Photo Permission forms. This allows Chi chapter to publish pictures from our chapter events. If you have not complete the form there is still time! Use the link below.

<https://forms.gle/b6ywkqbWCWZcEEhd9>

MEMBERSHIP

Congratulations to the following members on their membership anniversary and **Welcome** to our new members!

30 years - Nancy Frederick and Violet Geib

20 years - Eileen F. Little

15 years - Charity Welch and Melissa A. Zipser

10 years - Paula D. Long

5 years - Shannon Madara, Kim Rineer and Heidi Weber



APRIL CHAPTER PROGRAM

The fourth Chi Meeting of the 2022-24 Biennium will occur on April 15, 2023, 9-11:30 AM—the meeting location is Brightside Opportunities Center, located at 515 Hershey Avenue (2nd floor). Our speaker, Dr. Lisa Mumma, will present her research, *Crisis Leadership: Pennsylvania Public School Superintendents' Self-Assessments During the Covid-19 Pandemic*.

The Programs Committee is planning meetings for 2023-2024. Kindly send Charity Welch your suggestions about speakers, low-cost venues, and whatever else you want to share. Your feedback is appreciated.

RULES COMMITTEE UPDATE

By Brittany Bertoli

The Rules Committee met mid-February to review the chapter's current standing rules. At this time, no changes are purposed. The Rules Committee will reconvene in the fall to review the updated International Standing Rules and make any changes as needed to our chapter's current standing rules.

TRIVIA NIGHT UPDATES

By Anna Fulton

Please don't forget to join us for TRIVIA NIGHT at the Lititz Springs Inn on May 4. You can come alone, come with family members, or enlist a team. Enjoy food, cash prizes and lots of fun. Contact me to reserve your seat.

At Trivia Night our largest income comes from the baskets. Please consider what you could donate that could be used for the Silent Auction at the event. Past baskets have included tickets, jewelry, artwork, DKG memorabilia and more. If you have something to donate please contact Anna Fulton or bring to the April meeting.

We will also be providing our own desserts for this event. A SignUp Genius link will be coming soon via email.

Delta Kappa Gamma Trivia Night Returns!

May 4, 2023

Doors open at 6:30, Trivia starts at 7:00

**JOIN US FOR FOOD, FUN, DRINKS, GAMES
AND PRIZES**

**New Venue - Lititz Springs Inn (formerly the
General Sutter Inn)**

14 E. Main Street, Lititz, PA

\$30/person or Teams of:

8 players - \$220 7 players - \$190

6 players - \$170

For tickets contact Anna Fulton

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**Bring your family and friends for a great night of
fun and games!**

SISTER SPOTLIGHT

By Sue Allen

Our sister spotlighted today grew up in Baltimore, Maryland. Her first job was working at the Drive-in Theater Concession stand. The job had great perks including free movies, popcorn, and pizzas on her days off! These were college days, and she could take carloads of friends in free. With a salary of \$1.50 per hour and gas prices increasing to \$1.00 a gallon, She had to move on to a higher paying position in retail or catch the bus to get around. She earned a B.S. and M.Ed. from Coppin State University in the area of Special Education. Her Ph.D. was awarded from the University of Virginia in Special Education with a Minor in Education Policy Studies. She is the oldest of nine children in a loving family. Her mother, their queen, is 91 years old and they enjoy spoiling her. She has one grown daughter and a grown grandson who live in New York. She enjoys quiet time with family and close friends, time alone to read, reflect and be with her thoughts. Having grown up in a small home with 8 siblings limited time alone and she treasures those moments now. She also loves going out dancing to old music! She enjoys spending her time working on various projects with the goal of improving the lives of others. She is a member of NABSE, Rotary International (past president, assistant governor, and DEI committee member), Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and serves on the boards of Tenfold as an executive committee member and the Cherry Hill Development Corporation as chair and a member of the Board Development Committee. She has worked most recently as an adjunct faculty member in the Transformational Leadership Doctoral Program at Concordia University and she is pursuing additional positions teaching Educational Leadership in graduate programs.

Our Sister Spotlight is Charity Welch.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE EVENTS

By Melissa Ostrowski

The final Book Club meeting is **May 11th** at Panera on Rohrerstown Road at 6pm. The book will be *Moonlight Child* by Karen McQuestion.

ADOPTED DUES FOR 2023-2024

By Paula Long

At our general meeting in February, the membership approved the due amounts for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Officially, the window for payments opens April 1, 2023, and closes May 31, 2023, but you may begin remitting your checks to our treasurer Barb Andrews now. Consider sending your dues along with your RSVP and payment for our April in-person meeting.

The total for Active Members is \$80, for Reserve Members is \$35, and for Collegiate Members is \$30. The dues breakdown is listed below. Please remit your payment to Barb Andrews before May 31st to maintain your membership. Barb's contact information is available in our current yearbook.

	Active	Reserve	Collegiate
International	\$40	\$20	\$20
State	\$17	\$7	\$8.50
Chi Chapter	\$22	\$7	\$0.50
State Scholarship Fee	\$1	\$1	\$1
Total	\$80	\$35	\$30

PROJECTS: BRING YOUR TEAM STEAM KITS

By Nancy Schnell

We hope you have all had fun gathering simple things to create FUN learning opportunities for our community children. Bring your kit items to our next meeting, April 15th, to create your team's STEAM kit. Large Ziploc bags will be available for each team to compile their kits. The books will be available for the teams to add to the kits. Distribution of the kits will be determined by Thrive to Five.

Thank you for participating in our STEAM project. Passing on the love of learning is so important and Chi - DKG will continue to support learning in any way we can.

Project Committee: Heidi Weber, Amy Smith, Sue Fritz, Sue Allen, and Nancy Schnell

HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

By Debbie Bridgewater

The Historical Records Committee met at the home of Joan Stemen on January 23 to finalize plans for the 75th Birthday Celebration of Chi on February 4 at the Brightside Opportunity Center in Lancaster. Carol Hartley was able to get additional information and a picture of Luella Mellinger, our latest living founder, from Shirley Harshman, a Chi sister who knew Luella personally and now lives in Arizona. Melissa Ostrowski and Frank Geist were also able to provide additional information through the Penn Manor Alumni Association, where Luella Mellinger continues to make a difference in the community past her death in 2001. Carol also ordered a beautiful cake with red roses for this honorary celebration. We enjoyed working with Charity Welsh and the Programs Committee to plan and implement our birthday event.

The Historical Records Committee enjoyed taking part in this celebration. Sandra Brown greeted everyone, and Joan Stemen, Carol Hartley and Gisele Rinaldi provided leadership to sing our "Chi Birthday Song." The Founder's Presentation, honoring Luella Mellinger was delivered by Debbie Bridgewater, and Sue Allen helped us with a digital trivia game called Kahoot. Everyone enjoyed the game and five winners received rose centerpieces, commemorating how red roses were given to our founders at each Chi birthday celebration.

Joan Stemen recently reminded us that Lancaster HISTORY has a "box of memorabilia" dedicated to DKG Chi. We would like to investigate this source of information and see if we could access it sometime soon. This will be another fun project, in addition to visiting Marcia's basement to continue working with the paper artifacts after she is finished with tax season! Thank you, Marcia!

Moving forward with members' autobiographical information, contact Debbie Bridgewater if you would like to have an electronic copy sent to your e-mail. The form expands as you type. To fill out the online google form, please click the link below.

<https://forms.gle/RxJjt9xKez4H3VBe6>