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Alpha Sigma News

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A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, SHARON RICHIE

Just like the weather heating up, so will the next biennium for Alpha Sigma chapter members!

We began by having 6 members attend C.C.O.T June 21 in Kokomo. I am so appreciative of Jody, Sheila, Anne, Nila, and Sylvia for accompanying me. All of us gathered fresh ideas to "upgrade" chapter meetings.

To publicize membership, first- year women teachers in our Alpha Sigma chapter area will receive "care" packages which will include literature about the organization. Of course, we will continue to nominate active key women educators and don't forget retired teachers can also be nominated. Then meetings will begin, dues paid, new programs written and final news from Austin, Texas!

Finally, I want to thank Donna Kida for accompanying me to ALL state meetings the last two years. I know if I had to drive by myself I would not have attended. IT WAS SO GRACIOUS OF HER! So, chapter members, there are 4 state meetings in the biennium. Check your calendar now and plan to attend with me! I always come away from the meetings with a feeling of pride and honor to have been nominated and accepted into such a great organization. I know I can depend on you!

Enjoy the relaxation of summer and continued inspiration through membership!

Your chapter president,

Sharon

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Installation of Officers

Two new and three returning officers were installed on Thursday, April 19, 2018, in the home of President Sharon Richie. Those officers are

Sharon Richie – President,
Sylvia Dumas – Vice President,
Jody Arndt – Recording Secretary,
Kathy Ward – Treasurer,
Sheila Akers – Corresponding Secretary.



A carry-in luncheon with many delightful dishes elicited requests for recipes. See that last pages of the *Newsletter* for recipes that were submitted.

Grant-in-Aid Recipient

Graduating Senior Leena Tetzloff of Oregon-Davis High School was awarded the 2018 Alpha Sigma Grant-in-Aid for \$1,000. President Sharon Richie presented the certificate that accompanies this award at the combined Awards Program-Graduation on Friday, June 1. Leena will receive monetary portion of the award when she enrolls in her sophomore year in college.



In her essay, Leena wrote, "Receiving a college degree has been a dream of mine because I will be a first-generation college student. Being a college graduate will not only be an accomplishment for me, but for my entire family. Education has been important to me since I started school. Therefore, I plan to devote my time to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics Education at Indiana University-Bloomington by 2022."

The Scholarship Committee selected Leena based on the essay she wrote. Three young women filled out the form and wrote the required essay. Venita Cunningham, Scholarship Committee Chairman, contacted Guidance Counselors from the seven school districts in Starke and Fulton Counties.

Countdown to Kindergarten

At the April meeting member Margaret Radtke requested donations for the North Judson-San Pierre Countdown to Kindergarten program. The money collected will be used to purchase new books. Each day of Countdown to Kindergarten one book will be given to each participant to take home and keep. Our chapter donated \$278 for the purchase of new paperback books.

Executive Officers Meet

Executive Officers Sharon Richie, Sylvia Dumas, Jody Arndt, Kathy Ward, and Sheila Akers met at Sharon Richie's home on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, to plan meeting dates for the 2018-2020 biennium and to determine committee chairmen and committee members. Vice

President Sylvia Dumas will meet later in the summer with the Educational Excellence Committee to plan our programs. Alpha Sigma members will receive all this information and more at our first meeting of the new biennium in September. So, mark your calendar!

2018-2020 Committee Chairmen:

Nominations: Jo Ellen Arndt
Finance: Leslie Hampton
Membership: Sherry Lippelt
Rules: Sharon Henderson
Educational Excellence / Personal Growth / Professional Affairs: Sylvia Dumas
Communication: Sheila Akers
Legislation: Susie Matzat
International Projects: Lyn Altman
Remembrances: Cheryl Orkis
Scholarship: Venita Cunningham

Thursday, September 20, 2018, 4:00 PM

Meeting Place and Program

to be Determined

New Member Initiated

Roberta Salyer, daughter of member Barb Slusher (1975), was



Barb Slusher, new member Roberta Salyer, Sharon Richie

initiated on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at our annual Fun, Food, and Fellowship meeting at Richard's

Cafe in Toto. Roberta is a Special Needs teacher at Oregon-Davis Elementary School.

CCOT



Six Alpha Sigma officers or their replacements attended C.C.O.T North in Kokomo, Indiana, on Thursday, June 21. They attended sessions concerning the duties of DKG Chapter officers. It is your officers' expectation that this training will enhance the meaning of the DKG experience for you as a member of Alpha Sigma.

Town-Wide Yard Sale

Alpha Sigma members are asked to donate items and work during the North Judson Town-Wide Yard Sale to be held Saturday, August 4, from 8:00 to 3:00. Donna Kida will host our fund-raising effort at 113 George Street.



Your expertise is needed if you are a yard-sale aficionado. You can bring your items to Donna's house during the week of July 30 – August 3 and your help would be greatly appreciated for set-up on Friday, August 3, as well as on Saturday.

So, start gathering those gently used items that you no longer want or need and donate to the annual yard sale!

A reminder message will go out in mid-July and we hope as many as possible will answer the call. Please donate and help!

Slam Dunk Saturday

Leadership Development: Slam Dunk Saturday will take place on Saturday, November 10, 2018, at Logansport High School in Logansport, Indiana. Taking place from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., the keynote speaker will be Mike Pinto, principal of James Cole Elementary School.

DKG members and nonmembers may attend. Members will be charged \$25 and nonmembers \$30. Registration begins July 1 and ends October 1. There is more information in the June 2018 edition of the *Hoosier Newsette* and on the Alpha Epsilon Indiana website <www.dkgindiana.org>.

You can find the registration form on the Alpha Sigma website: <alphasigmaindkg.org>.

Member Photos

Our website is still missing some individual photos for our Members page. If you do not have one in digital format, please send or give a regular one to Sheila Akers. She will convert it to the desired format and will return your photo to you.

If you do not have a current photo available for publication, Sheila and Lauren Akers will be taking photographs throughout the year to add to the website.

Kudos and Volunteerism: Let Your Activities and Accomplishments Be Known!

The Alpha Sigma website needs updates about your activities and accomplishments. Don't be shy! All Alpha Sigma members want to

know about you and what you're involved in. Please keep us up-to-date!

Apply Now!

Now is the time to apply for a Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship.

If you are an active member pursuing a master's degree or doctorate you may qualify for a Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship. The new application became available July 1 on the Delta Kappa Gamma International website <www.dkg.org>. The application with supporting transcripts, program documentation, and letters of recommendation must be emailed to Society Headquarters by February 1.

Electronic Assistance

Have you had difficulty finding the Alpha Sigma website online? Are you a little fearful of technology?

Email Sheila to gain assistance with:

finding and bookmarking the Alpha Sigma website, the Alpha Epsilon Indiana website, or the Delta Kappa Gamma International website,

setting up your password for the Members page of the website,

how to find the meeting information for the entire biennium, meeting agendas and minutes.

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Recipes from Installation of Officer's Meeting

Anne's Danish Butter Cookies

1 c. Butter, softened (no substitutes)
1 c. Sugar
2 tsp. Maple Syrup
2 c. All-purpose Flour
1 tsp. Baking Soda
Confectioners' Sugar for dusting

Cream butter and sugar. Add syrup and mix well. Combine flour and baking soda and gradually add to creamed mixture until combined. Press dough down tightly in bowl and cut to divide into 8 portions. Roll each portion into a 9-inch log. Place logs 3 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 300° for 20-25 minutes, until lightly brown. Cut into 1-inch slices and remove to wire racks to cool. When completely cool, dust with confectioners' sugar. Store in an air-tight container.

Note – Be sure butter is very soft to make it easier to combine in all the flour.

Sharon's Lemon Angel Cake Bars

Cake:

1 pkg angel food cake mix
1 can lemon pie filling
1 cup finely shredded coconut

Frosting:

1 pkg cream cheese softened	2 ½ cups confectioners' sugar
½ cup butter	1 tsp grated lemon peel

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl mix cake mix, pie filling, and coconut until blended. Spread into a greased 15x10x1 inch baking pan. Bake 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool completely in pan on a wire rack. In a large bowl beat cream cheese, butter and vanilla until smooth. Gradually beat in confectioners' sugar. Spread over cooled bars then sprinkle with lemon peel. Refrigerate at least 4 hours. Recipe from *Country Woman* August/September 2015 issue.

Susan's Cheese / Pimiento Spread

2 packages Cracker Barrel Extra Sharp Cheddar Cheese – red package
2 Tablespoons diced pimientos
1 small onion – diced
1 ½ cup of mayonnaise (Susan uses Hellmans.) You can add more if you want it more creamy.

Shred the cheese and stir all the ingredients together. Chill for at least one hour to give flavors time to meld. Serve with crackers.

Francie's Strawberry Salad

Topping:

½ cup slivered almonds ¼ cup of sugar

Combine almonds and sugar in a small pan over low-medium heat. Watch closely and stir often. Once sugar starts to melt, stir continuously until sugar is melted and almonds are coated and start to turn a medium brown. Be careful not to burn almonds. Pour onto a piece of aluminum foil and let cool. After almonds are cool, break apart into small pieces.

Dressing: **OR SUBSTITUTE Papa Vino's Sweet Basil Vinaigrette**

1/4/cup of vegetable oil ½ tsp salt
2 Tbls apple cider vinegar 1 Tbls snipped, fresh parsley or 1 ½ dried
2 Tbls sugar

Whisk dressing ingredients together and set aside or put in refrigerator until ready to serve.

Main Salad:

½ head romaine lettuce 3-4 green onion tops, sliced
½ head iceberg lettuce fresh strawberries in season or 1 can mandarin oranges

Combine lettuces, onion, and strawberries. Add almonds just before serving and toss with dressing. This can be made the day before or early in the morning of the day the salad is to be served. Keep almonds in a ziploc bag and fruit and dressing in the refrigerator until ready to serve so the salad stays crisp and the almonds stay crunchy. Toss everything together right before serving. This recipe serves a lot, but can be adjusted to serve an even bigger crowd very easily by doubling the ingredients.