

Alpha Epsilon State Indiana



A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Let's become Inspired!!

The excitement is growing in our chapter. We have \$768 in our scholarship fund. Only \$232 is needed to present a \$1,000 scholarship this spring. Our bake sale at the Starke County Community Services fish fry Saturday, October 21, could help us meet this goal. I know all of you want our chapter to make this a success.

Please read the Strategic Action Plan Goal decided at the September meeting. It was decided our weakest area was member engagement. So, hopefully by having more personal contact, members not able to attend functions will stay current by being contacted by committee chairs and/or officers with meeting information and committee information (even though Sheila job does an excellent with notifications!) Sheila and 1 are available to provide rides for members who want to attend but need transportation.

Alpha Sigma News

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Honorable

Mention

at the

State Convention!

Also, I know we have members who could use money. Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has money! Take advantage of the opportunity to apply for available funds for projects, seminars, or professional growth.

Let's energize out chapter! We are do-able women educators!

Sharon

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Yard Sale Success!

The Alpha Sigma Yard Sale held in conjunction with the Town-Wide North Judson Yard Sale was a success. Members donated a variety of items. \$384. An anonymous donation matched that amount so the total proceeds were \$768. This is a great start toward the goal of \$1,000 for Alpha Sigma's grant-inaid.

Mmmm! Dessert



The chapter voted to run a Dessert Table at the Starke County Community Services fish fry on Saturday, October 21, at the Nancy J. Dembowski Community Center in Knox, Indiana, from 4:00 – 7:00. The proceeds from the Dessert Table will go directly to Alpha Sigma for our grant-in-aid to a young woman majoring in education.

About half our members have volunteered to make desserts and several have volunteered to work. This is a great turnout given that the majority of our members are educators at North Judson-San Pierre School which is on fall break the week before the fish fry.

Strategic Action Plan Goal

The Strategic Action Plan Goal is... To increase member engagement officers and committee chairs will personally call, text, and /or e-mail committee members and noncommittee members about upcoming chapter functions. Rides will also be offered to members needing transportation.

Time for Action!



Sometimes it is difficult to attend Chapter meetings. Life does have a way of making plans change or just getting in the way of something we would like to do. Through our Strategic Plan Goal, we can encourage one another to attend Chapter meetings and also keep up on the things that are going on in each other's lives.

State Convention

The Alpha Epsilon Indiana State Convention will take place in Lafayette, Indiana, in April. More information will be available at upcoming meetings. Please plan to attend. Lafayette is close to us and should prove an easy destination.

Grants Available

Do you need money for projects, seminars, or professional growth? Delta Kappa Gamma can help you out. Please consider applying for one or more of these awards. Go to <u>www.dkgef.org</u> and connect to the website of the Educational Foundation of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Deadlines to apply are: November 1, 2017: the Cornetet Seminar for Professional Development Award granted to organizations within DKG to sponsor professional development for all educators.

January 3, 2018: up to \$10,000 may be awarded to groups or individuals for projects that not only benefit children and education but encourage intercultural understanding and educational excellence.

February 1, 2018: Members and nonmembers can apply for the Cornetet Individual Professional Development Awards to participate in events and activities that occur between March 15, 2018 to October 15, 2018.

Books for B.o.B.

Books are starting to come in for B.o.B (Bunches of Books) a project recently initiated by the Alpha Sigma Chapter. Please donate gently used or new books to this project. Books for grades 3 through high school are needed. Stickers inside each book will state that the books were donated by Alpha Sigma Chapter members of Delta Kappa Gamma.



These books are available to groups and organizations that serve children. Requests for books can be made by or through any Alpha Sigma member.