

Indiana State Organization

"Her pleasure in the walk must arise from the exercise and the day, from the view of the last smiles of the year upon the tawny leaves and withered hedges, and from repeating to herself some few of the thousand poetical descriptions extant of autumn—that season of peculiar and inexhaustible influence on the mind of taste and tenderness—that season which has drawn from every poet worthy of being read some attempt at description, or some lines of feeling." – Jane Austen, Persuasion

Alpha Sigma News

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A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DONNA KIDA

Greetings, Alpha Sigma!

When I was teaching at the elementary school, spring would mean field days out by the high school track for each grade. Teachers would conduct the activity for the different events. For my grade level, I was in charge of the obstacle course, or as some kindergartners would say, "popsicle" course. All of the students put forth their best efforts to the challenges of the course, and were rewarded with ribbons.

The book selection to be discussed at our November meeting is Tara Westover's *Educated*. The author describes the obstacles she faced in trying to obtain an education. A

few of us have already read this book, and agree some parts are very moving. However, you have to cheer each time the main character overcame an obstacle to her education. She put forth her best efforts, and was rewarded with knowledge and dignity.

I don't believe any of us had to fight as hard as this author did to be educated. It was just expected that we would attend school. As you read this book, be grateful for your own educational opportunities. As well, be grateful that as a teacher, you are educating the children of today. See you in November!

Donna

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Mission

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Our Next Meeting:

Saturday
November 11, 2023
9:00 AM Central
Country Kettle, Knox

Program: Book Club – Educated

Support for Early Career Educators Project Collection

Roll Call: What is your favorite book?
Opening Thought: Susie Matzat
Media Review: Sharon Henderson
Refreshments: Order from the Menu
Closing Thought: Mary Ann DudkaMilo

Dates to Remember

Alpha Sigma Chapter Meeting

November 11, 2023 Country Kettle Restaurant, Knox

Chapter Goal Setting Planner

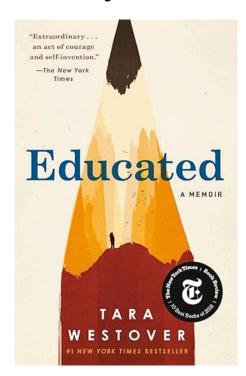
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November 10-11, 2023 Madison

Book Club: Educated

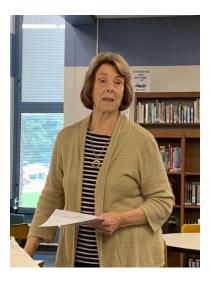
Educated was selected at the September meeting to be our next Book Club Program.



survivalists Born to in mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home.

Educated can be purchased at Amazon or Barnes and Noble in paperback, hardcover or audiobook. It is also available at most public libraries.

Liaison Visit



Marjorie Miller (Gamma Mu), the DKG liaison to Alpha Sigma chapter, shared the many positives that have been accomplished by the Indiana Organization. She encouraged members to remain positive and to work together to make the chapter and the state organization even better.

Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee, Colleen McCarthy and Nila Beauchamp, will soon be putting together a slate of officers to present at our February meeting for a vote.

Consider taking up a new challenge as they ask for members to step forward for officer, newsletter, and webmaster positions.

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