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Join Pi State Sisters at the Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar “Opportunities to Connect”

October 12-13, 2018

The Radisson Inn

125 Denison Pkwy, E
Corning, NY 14830
(607) 962-5000

Look for Registration, Hotel Information and Workshop Descriptions on pages 4-6 of this issue.

Schedule at a Glance

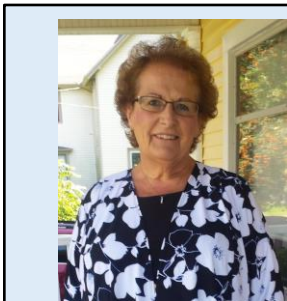
Friday, October 12th

10:00-1:00pm	Registration set-up
1:00-3:00pm	Executive Committee Meeting
3:00-8:30pm	Registration
2:00pm	FDF/Setup
4:00pm-8:15pm	FDF
5:00-6:15pm	Optional Dinner
6:30-7:15pm	Workshops Session 1
7:25-8:10pm	Workshops Session 2
8:20-9:15pm	Opening Session
8:15pm	Info Fair
9:15pm	Dessert Reception

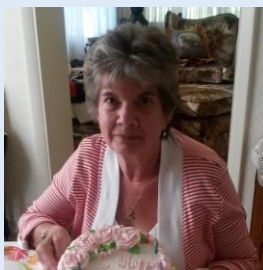
Saturday, October 13th

8:00-11:45am	Registration
6:30-10:00am	Optional Breakfast
8:00-8:15am	Executive Board Sign-In
8:15-10:30am	Executive Board Meeting & Corporation Meeting
10:30-11:30am	FDF
10:40-11:25am	Workshops Session 3
11:45am-1:30pm	Legislative Luncheon
1:30-2:15pm	15th Anniversary Celebration of Pi State Educational Foundation

Special thanks to 2019 Pi State Convention Co-Chairs
Carol Lord, Beta Delta, and Jane Morehouse, Beta Delta



Carol Lord (Beta Delta)



Jane Morehouse (Beta Delta)

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“Opportunities to Connect”

Mary-Martha Harvey

Pi State President 2017 - 2019

See you at the October 12-13, 2018 Pi State Executive Board Meeting/Seminar at the Radisson Inn, Corning 14830

As new Chapter leaders are installed for the next biennium 2018-2020, ready for the various surprises that leadership brings, perhaps they will bring new venues, diverse speakers, multi-generational programs, new locations and even different times and dates as well as traditional, successful meetings. It will be a time of renewal and a time for us all to create unity, retain and reinstate members and strengthen our Chapters. Research confirms that the quality of the leader sets the tone for creating the type of environment that allows an organization to prosper. It is the dedication, commitment, creativity and engagement of the leader that guides the Chapter as members collaborate, plan and face each new challenge.

*I wish our new leaders much success and
hope we all support them in whatever way we can.*

The **2018 International Convention in Austin is July 16-20**. We have several Pi State members attending. Chapter Presidents will receive information on changes that effect Chapter Standing Rules in my summer *President's News & Notes* and from new State BYLAWS & Rules Chair **Kim Gordon, Beta Omega**. I appreciate all the members and Chapters that have taken the time to share their comments on the important proposed changes to the International Constitution & Standing Rules that all DKG members have received in ***The DKG News: Special Amendments Edition, March/April issue***. I will share these comments with the Pi State members attending the 2018 Convention who will each be voting on the proposed amendments.

Plans are well underway for the **Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar October 12-13 at the Radisson Hotel in Corning**. In this issue of *Pi Lights*, you will find the Registration Form, Schedule-at-a-Glance, Keynote Speaker, Legislative Luncheon Keynote Speaker, Workshop descriptions and Hotel information. I hope to see many of you and look forward to having every Chapter represented by their President or designee at the Executive Board Meeting on October 13. The Board of Directors of our *Pi State Educational Foundation* and President **Ginny Dudko, Tau**, are planning a wonderful 15th Anniversary Celebration after Saturday's Legislative Luncheon ... and remember their "18 x 18" Challenge.

Our ***"LDS on the Road" in Victor June 28, Baldwinsville June 30 and New City July 2*** is planned for all who are interested in leadership and for returning and new Chapter Presidents & Officers. If you haven't registered and would like to attend, we would love to have you join us. The Registration Form is online on the Pi State Website and may be obtained from your Chapter President. *Special thanks* to our hard-working and dedicated State Leadership Development Committee and their Co-Chairs **Jeanne Schenk, Alpha Tau**, & **Margie Lovett-Scott, Alpha Alpha**.

On behalf of our Pi State members, I want to thank outgoing State Editor **Katja Stevens, Omega**, for her service and welcome new State Editor 2018-2022 **Kim Goldhirsch, Alpha Zeta**.

As I complete my first year as Pi State President, I am most grateful for members sharing ideas, questions and concerns; visiting Chapters and celebrating their projects and accomplishments; and working with our State Executive Committee and Committee Chairs and their Committee members who are making significant contributions for us all. We are indeed an Organization where we value each member, their talents and their contributions to education and are united by our seven purposes. Our Chapters are truly *"the heart of our Society."*

***WE ARE LEADING WOMEN EDUCATORS
IMPACTING EDUCATION WORLDWIDE.***

Pi State Visitations 2017-2018

Refer to future issues of *Pi Lights* and the *Pi State* website for updates.

Year	Date	Chapter(s) / Area	State Representative
Spring 2017	March 15	<i>Alpha Phi</i>	Karen Crumley
	May 4	<i>Alpha Nu</i>	Deborah Bedard
	May 10	<i>Alpha Theta</i>	Deborah Bedard
	May 18	<i>Chi</i>	Deborah Bedard
	June 6	<i>Omega</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Fall 2017	September 13	<i>Beta Theta</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	September 18	<i>Beta Chi</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	September 23	<i>North Central Area Conference: "Safe Passage to Oswego"</i>	Deborah Bedard
	September 28	<i>Beta Nu and Beta Gamma</i>	Ellie Robinson
	October 5	<i>Alpha Alpha</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	October 19	<i>East Central Area Conference "Women's Night Out"</i>	Joan Slagle
	October 25	<i>Tau and Zeta Chapters</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	October 21	<i>Gamma Alpha</i>	Deborah Bedard
	October 26	<i>Alpha Psi</i>	Jennifer Lee-Alden
	March 24	<i>Eastern Area Conference</i>	Deborah Bedard
	April 11	<i>Beta Psi</i>	Deborah Bedard
	April 18	<i>Beta Omicron</i>	Lisa Huyck
Spring 2018	May 2	<i>Alpha Chi</i>	Karen Crumley
	May 7	<i>Beta Epsilon</i>	Ellie Robinson Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 11	<i>Rho</i>	Jennifer Lee-Alden
	May 16	<i>Beta Delta</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 17	<i>Gamma Gamma</i>	Ellie Robinson Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 21	<i>Beta</i>	Ellie Robinson Mary-Martha Harvey
	June 7	<i>Alpha Lambda</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	July 17	<i>Northern Area Conference</i>	Lisa Huyck Suzanne Patrick
	September 22	<i>Eastern Area Conference</i>	Suzanne Patrick
	September 24	<i>Beta Tau</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Fall 2018	September 29	<i>Northwest/Southwest Area Conference</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 22	<i>Beta Omega 40th Anniversary</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey

Come to the Membership Workshop at Corning!

The Pi State Membership & Expansion Committee will present a workshop for the Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar in Corning, October 12-13, 2018. We plan on 45 minutes of Chapters' sharing what has worked or not worked for them and a brief sharing of materials being offered by International and Pi State to help Chapters "recruit, retain and reinstate" members. Chapters will have a chance to dialog about this extremely important issue for the future of DKG at every level. **Let's get excited about the three R's of membership.**

Sue Kenoyer

Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar **October 12-13, 2018**



Radisson Inn (Corning, NY)

125 Denison Pkwy, E
Corning, NY 14830
(607) 962-5000

Room Reservations: To make ROOM RESERVATIONS, call the Radisson Inn at 607-962-5000, Ask for **NYS of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Room Block** or use the link below:

<https://www.radisson.com/reservation/itineraryEntrance.do?hotelCode=NYCORNIN&promotionalCode=DKGS&startDate=20181012&numberNights=1>. The Block Rate for Thursday evening is: (1 Queen \$129.00) (129+ 12% tax is \$144.48) (1 King or 2 Doubles is \$139.00 + 12 % tax is \$155.68). The Block Rate for Friday evening is (1 Queen is \$139.00 + 12% tax is \$155.68) (1 King or 2 Doubles is \$149.00 + 12% tax is \$166.88). **The Room Block is open May 1st and closes September 13.**

Room check-in is 4:00pm and **check-out** is 1:00pm.

Keynote Speaker for Pi State Legislative Luncheon on Saturday, 13 October 2018



MICHAEL K. GINALSKI

Superintendent **Michael K. Ginalski** is a Southern Tier native, growing up in Elmira where he attended Southside High School. He attended Mansfield University for his undergraduate and graduate education and earned his CAS in Education Administration from SUNY Cortland. He is certified as a School District Administrator in New York State and certified in Special Education and Elementary Education in New York and Pennsylvania. He began his education career in 1987 as a Special Education teacher at Broad Street School in Horseheads. In June 1999, he joined the Corning-Painted Post Area School District as an Assistant Principal at West High School. In July 2001, he was appointed Principal at West High School. From June 2005 through December 2007 he served as the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction.

The highlight of Mike's career to date is being named the Superintendent of the Corning-Painted Post Area School District in December 2007. He feels extremely lucky to work for such a great Board of Education and to have such a dedicated group of people working in the trenches with kids. Everyone in the entire organization is committed to their students and that is a source of great pride to Mike.

Pi State is honored to have Mike as our Keynote Speaker for the **Legislative Luncheon** on **Saturday, October 13** at the **Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar** at the Radisson Hotel, Corning.

REGISTRATION FORM
2018 Pi State Fall Executive Board Meeting/Seminar
October 12-13, 2018
Radisson Hotel, 125 Denison Pkwy E., Corning 14830
(607) 962-5000 www.radisson.com/Corning/NY

Please **PRINT** the following information:

Name _____
Badge Name _____
Email _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Chapter _____ Position _____
Guest Name(s) for Badges _____

Registration Fee includes Dessert Reception, Luncheon and meeting materials.

Early Registration Fee (Due by September 9th) \$70.00 _____

Late or On-Site Registration Fee (Postmarked after September 9th) \$80.00 _____

Friday, October 12

Optional Dinner 5:00-6:15pm (Please check choice.)

All dinners are served with salad and a served dessert, freshly brewed regular and decaffeinated coffee and tea selections.

_____ **Roast Breast of Turkey** served with traditional Sage Dressing and Sauce, Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes and Fresh Seasonal Vegetable

_____ **Spinach Feta Cheese Stuffed Phyllo** served with Fresh Tomato Hash, a spatter of Pesto, Balsamic Reduction & Fresh Seasonal Vegetables

\$37.00 _____

Dessert Reception 9:15-10:15pm

Included in Registration

Decadent Chocolate Table Buffet: Chocolate Fountain with Fresh Fruit, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Assorted Brownies, Chocolate Dipped Cheesecake, Chocolate Covered Pretzels, Chocolate Covered Strawberries, Chocolate Mousse Shooters, Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee/Tea, Assorted Soft Drinks, and Bottled Water

Guest Charge \$13.00 _____

Saturday, October 13

Optional Breakfast 6:30-8:00am

The American Breakfast Buffet: Served Orange, Cranberry, and Apple Juices, Served Pastry Assortment with Whipped Butter & Fruit Preserves, Fresh Scrambled Eggs, Grilled Apple Wood Smoked Bacon and Country Sausage, Home Fried Potatoes, Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee and Hot Tea.

\$17.00 _____

Awards Luncheon 11:45am-1:30pm (Please check choice.)

Included in Registration

All luncheons are served with entrée accompaniments and beverage.

_____ **Cedar Plank Chicken, Walnut & Green Apple Salad:** Romaine Greens, Red Cabbage, Shaved Red Onion, Crumbled Bleu Cheese, Dried Cranberries, Granny Smith Apple served with Atwater Riesling Vinaigrette

_____ **Quiche Lorraine:** Sautéed Onion, Bacon and Swiss Cheese served with Fresh Seasonal Vegetable

Guest Charge \$23.00 _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR REGISTRATION AND MEALS **\$ _____**

List any dietary needs _____

Please make check/money order payable to **Delta Kappa Gamma Pi State**.

Mail to: **Mona Lee Bogan, 251 Crans Mill Rd., Pine Bush, NY 12566**

e-mail: mbogan@hvc.rr.com phone: (845) 361-7114

Refunds and Cancellation Policies:

Cancellation notice must be made in writing. 100% of registration fees will be refunded if written cancellation is received before September 9, 2018. Cancellation and refund requests received after September 9, 2018 will **NOT** be accepted. All fees are non-refundable after September 9, 2018. Unfortunately, under no circumstances can Pi State issue refunds for no shows.

Photo Release: By your attendance at this event, you are granting permission to be filmed, videotaped, audiotaped or photographed by any means and are granting full use of your likeness, voice and words without compensation.

Remember to make your ROOM RESERVATIONS directly with Radisson Hotel, (607) 962-5000. Mention **DKG.**

DKG Pi State Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar Workshops, Presenters & Descriptions

“Donors Choose” (Presenter: Kim Gordon, *Beta Omega*)

Have you ever wished you had better teaching supplies for your classroom? Come learn how to obtain those much-needed supplies for free! Bring a laptop or device. Public school teachers can secure just about anything they may need for their classrooms! It's easy and fun but best of all it's free!

“Leadership Development for Chapter Presidents Part II”

(Presenters: Jeanne Schenk, *Alpha Tau*, and Dr. Margie Lovett-Scott, *Alpha Alpha*)

Presidents ... Join us! We will continue to explore topics of the *Leadership Development Seminars* from July and August. There will be an opportunity to share concerns and success.

“How's Your Chapter Doing with the Three R's” (Presenter: Sue Kenoyer, *Psi*)

Take the opportunity to share your successes and not-so-successful attempts in recruiting, retaining and reinstating membership. Sharing ideas is where innovation comes from...so come and connect those wonderful ideas!

“Count your Blessings and Bring out the Best!”

(Presenters: Leah Exner, *Tau*, and Mary Ellyn Levy, *Tau*)

We are surrounded with blessings as well as talented sisters in our chapters. Join us as we count our blessings and discuss ways to encourage active, exciting, and engaging chapter meetings while finding the multiple talents of our chapter sisters.

“Pi State Scholarship – Here for You!” (Presenter: Rosemary Van Wart, *Alpha Pi*)

This workshop will provide information on the availability of and eligibility for Pi State Scholarships as well as information on the application process. We will demonstrate how past recipients have put their scholarships to work and provide time for Q and A.

“Teaching and Schools in the mid-1800's” (Presenter: Joyce Thompson-Hovey, *Gamma Gamma*)

Come and hear what education was like in the north and south before, during and after the Civil War. You think demands are tough today? You will be amazed at what the expectations were for students and teachers back then!

“Mathematical Tidbits You Just Can't Live Without” (Presenter: Jane Tanner, *Beta Gamma*)

This session is perfect for those still teaching as well as those who appreciate mathematical curiosities. Enjoy a humorous approach to a much-maligned subject. Even those with Math Phobia are welcome!

“Is the UN Out-of-Date? What about Global Goals?” (Presenter: Lochie Musso, *Alpha Eta*)

How did the DPI/NGO (Department of Public Information/Non-Governmental Organization) Conference of August 22-23 help to change our perceptions? NGO Relations facilitates the exchange of information and develops partnerships with civil society to enhance their interaction with and understanding of the work of the UN. Whether you are just curious or you would like to know more about the UN. ... *Welcome!*

“Equal Access for EL's in the Regular Classroom” (Presenter: Mary Celia Cummings)

Commissioners Report 154 states that all teacher candidates must not have a working knowledge of English Language acquisition. This can be addressed with Sheltered Content instruction as taught in teacher preparation programs.

Karen Jones, Lynda DeLuca & Lynne Eckert

WHAT'S NEW ON THE PI STATE WEBSITE?

The State Website is designed to provide the information you need about our State Organization, upcoming events, applications, Committees, procedures, Initiates and much more.

NEW on the Pi State Website:

A newly revised Pi State Website Reference

In MORE menu, Pi State Brochure, created by the Pi State Communications Committee

In CHAPTERS menu, new Membership Resources by Pi State Membership Committee

You're Invited

**Join Pi State Sisters at the
Pi State 2019 Convention/Seminar
“Opportunities to Connect”**

**April 26-28, 2019
The Ramada Geneva Lakefront Resort
41 Lake Front Blvd., Geneva 14456
315-789-0400**

In the mailed Winter 2019 Issue of *Pi Lights* and online www.dkgnystate.org look for:

- ❖ Registration Form
- ❖ Educational Excellence Committee's Workshops
- ❖ Schedule-at-a-Glance
- ❖ Schedule for the Executive Board Meeting
- ❖ Keynote Speaker and International Guest
- ❖ Pi State Educational Foundation Annual Meeting



The Ramada Geneva Lakefront

Hotel Information: Room Block for Ramada Geneva Lakefront is open. Call 315-789-0400. Ask for Delta Kappa Gamma room block.

Block Rate is \$129.00 (City View) (129 + 13.5% tax is \$146.42) (Lake View is \$139 + 13.5% is \$157.77)

**Workshop Proposals for 2019 Pi State Convention
Due November 15, 2018
to Lynda DeLuca, ldeluca@stny.rr.com Co-Chair Educational
Excellence Committee for 2019 Pi State Convention**

The EEC Workshop Proposal can be found online at the Pi State Website, www.dkgnystate.org.

Congratulations to Elected Pi State Treasurer and State Editor

At the April Executive Board Meeting, the Pi State Executive Board voted **Suzanne Patrick, Rho**, to continue as **Pi State Treasurer (2018-2022)** and **Kim Goldhirsch, Alpha Zeta**, as the new **Pi State Editor (2018-2022)**.

Kim has served her Chapter *Alpha Zeta* as an Officer for the past six years. She teaches computer applications/programming and leadership at Linden Avenue Middle School in Red Hook. In addition to her duties as a teacher, Kim coaches volleyball and track & field for Red Hook Schools. She is the Chairperson of her Union's Welfare Trust and is the Advisor for multiple clubs, including Student Council. Kim's work in leadership has led her to become active at the State level in the New York State Council on Leadership and Student Activities. Kim was honored to have served as

both the State and Region Advisor of the Year for National Student Council. Currently, she serves as State Treasurer of NYSCLSA as well as the District 4 Adult Representative for NYS.

Suzanne is retiring in June from the Franklin Central School District where she has taught grades 2-6, been a coach and part of a District-Wide Planning Team. She has also served on Pi State Committees and is currently Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Pi state Financial Resources. She is the 2018 recipient of the prestigious Pi State Achievement Award and has been Pi State Treasurer since 2007.

We are so grateful to both DKG members for taking on these important leadership positions.



Suzanne Patrick
Pi State Treasurer 2018-22



Kim Goldhirsch
Pi State Editor 2018-22

Pi State Applies for Accreditation to Be a CTLE Provider

On May 23, 2018 Educational Excellence Committee Chair, Karen Jones (*Beta Omega*), and Pi State Second Vice President, Jennifer Lee-Alden (*Beta Omega*) met with Executive Director Valerie Lovelace and Program Support Specialist Amy Carcini of **Greater Capital Region Teacher Center for Effective Teaching**, and Ellen Sullivan of **New York State United Teachers Research and Educational Services** to discuss the process of applying for NYSED accreditation as a provider for CTLE professional development.

"A registered holder of a professional classroom teaching certificate, educational leadership certificate, or Level III teaching assistant certificate is required to successfully complete 100 clock hours of acceptable CTLE during the registration period..." <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/reteachers/ctle.html>.

The approval of our application will provide Pi State members the opportunity to earn CTLE hours for Chapter, Area Council, State and International Conferences and Seminars. Once we receive our accreditation, we will be sharing the requirements and process for completing the registration that will allow members to receive credits.

To be credit-worthy the Professional Development workshops must meet a specific need for certificate holders. The workshops may be content specific, general pedagogy, or designed to meet the needs of ELL (English Language Learners). *"Acceptable CTLE must be conducted through activities designed to improve the teacher or leader's pedagogical and/or leadership skills, targeted at improving student performance, including but not limited to formal CTLE activities. Such activities shall promote the professionalization of teaching and educational leadership, as applicable, and be closely aligned to district goals for student performance."* Please see the following link for more specific guidelines: <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/reteachers/ctle.html#acceptable>.

Our goal is to receive confirmation of our accreditation by September 1, 2018. The Pi State Executive Committee will be working closely with the Educational Education Committee to promote the inclusion of workshops that meet the NYSED guidelines for Professional Development as part of our State meetings. Additionally, Chapter leaders will be encouraged to offer topics at future Chapter meetings and Area Conferences.

A special *thank you* to Valerie Lovelace, Amy Carcini and Ellen Sullivan for their expertise in helping us through this process. They will continue to support us once we receive our CTLE provider status.

Jennifer Lee-Alden

Pi State Webmaster Position Available

Are you a computer geek? Then the Personnel Committee has a job for you! The position of **Pi State Webmaster** is available. The basic requirements include "web management and design experience" plus a knowledge of both new and old things technical.

It's the job of the webmaster to maintain the relevance, timeliness and accuracy of the website, and to be sure that it is easily accessible to less savvy Pi State members. She must also be responsive to the organizational needs of the President and have her approval for placing materials on the site. Individual Chapters might enlist her aid in designing and recertifying their own web sites.

Additional information on the necessary qualifications is available on the Pi State Website under "Job Descriptions" in the OFFICERS menu, "Pi State Officers and Elected Personnel."

The position is for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2023 and has an annual honorarium.

Application and nomination forms are due November 15, 2018 to Grace M. Murphy, 77 Beverly Road, Staten Island, NY 10305 or gracemm630@aol.com.

Grace Murphy

New Pi State Brochure Available

After much input from members across the State, the Pi State Communications & Publicity Committee, with leadership of Chair **Judy Wadsworth**, created and approved the Pi State Brochure, April 2018.

The brochure was distributed at the State Executive Board Meeting/Seminar. The brochure is accessible in two forms on the Pi State website under "More."

Interested members may download the PDF and save it on their own computers, then order prints. The cost at one UPS Store in Rochester area was \$0.916 each. (Those seeking prints should order color, 2-sided prints on 8.5"x14" paper, folded in thirds.) Additionally, members may purchase the brochure for \$1.00 plus postage. The ORDER FORM is also available on the Pi State website under "More."

Mary-Martha Harvey

Many thanks to the Pi State Communications & Publicity Committee!

**Fall 2018 Area Conferences****Eastern Area Conference**

September 22, 2018

Mount Saint Mary College (Newburgh, NY)

Chairs: Leah Exner & Annmarie Santorelly

Northwestern/Southwestern Area Conference

September 29, 2018

"Connecting with Women's History"

Michael's Catering & Banquets

Hamburg, NY

Chairs: Barb Filipiak & Donna Krayenvenger

South Central Area Conference,

September 29, 2018

"Opportunities"

Downtown Center at Binghamton University,

67 Washington St., Binghamton, NY

Chairs: Molly Drumm and Annette Varcoe

Reminder: PI STATE AREA COUNCILS

Please send your

- Name(s) of Area Council Chair or Co-Chairs
- Request for Date of Area Council Conference
- Registration Form and Registrar Information
- Request for State Visitor

to President, Second Vice President and Executive Secretary

Coming Soon: Survey from the Pi State Scholarship Committee

The **Pi State Scholarship Committee** has developed a survey to determine member interest in expanding eligible projects for member scholarships and to encourage members to apply for scholarships. Look on Pi State Website, www.dkgnystate.org, HOME PAGE for further information and to find the survey as well as distribution by Chapter Presidents. Surveys may be returned to Chair Rosemary Van Wart, 105 Tomahawk Street, Yorktown Heights 10598, rvw52@yahoo.com.

Engaged Yearly Programming in 20 Minutes Flat? It is POSSIBLE!

by: Tressa L. Wilber-Smith
2014-2018 Chapter President, *Gamma Gamma*

As the IPP of the *Gamma Gamma* Chapter, I found that over my last four years as President that planning out the yearly programming calendar seemed to cause the largest headache. Not because I thought it was hard but because the realization that you simply cannot please everyone came into play. Each year we have at least 7 programs: one of which is our Spring banquet and one added social gathering such as glass ornament making at Christmas time or pottery making in the Spring.

The first year I had a small Committee and we all worked together to plan out the year. The second and third year no one showed up to help me plan and I planned the calendar alone. Even after trying to add something to the calendar to fit everyone's needs, likes and challenges, I still had complaints. For my last and final year as President, I decided I needed to go back to the drawing board and start with the basics.

As the previous Co-Director of Residence Life at Medaille College, I was in charge of programming for the Residence Halls and was required to ensure my Resident Assistants created good quality programs for their residents. In Higher Education, we were always taught to think holistically and to find a wellness model that fit the market of the group we were trying to reach. I decided I would try this same methodology with the Chapter programming calendar.

Using a famous wellness model as a baseline, I divided the programming categories into 6 sections. The model covers six different areas that can each be addressed as a programming option for that month, covering occupational, physical, emotional, spiritual, social and intellectual wellness. If you choose to have 7 programs, you can also add environmental to the categories. As teachers, we have made a commitment to be lifelong learners. This wellness model is in sync with that belief as it addresses the whole person.

Last year, I introduced this idea to the Chapter as a part of our banquet after our meal. I divided the room into 6 equal groups and handed them a template I created and a pen. The sheet had the month of their program and their topic from the wellness model. The group needed to make the rest of the decisions together. This included lines on the template for the speaker, location, refreshments, donation drawing item (money goes towards our Scholarship Fund) and what outside community agency could be tied in that we could provide goods or services to as a group (ex. domestic violence shelter, foster children, literacy programs, SPCA, etc.). I allotted 30 minutes of time within our program that evening for this to be accomplished. ***The programming calendar was completed, and all decisions were made in less than 20 minutes!*** The best part is that each person that attended was involved in the planning and the responsibility was shared equally within the group. It took the pressure off me as the President and allowed us to address various programming interests using the wellness model as a baseline while pulling from each member's own individual network, personal interests and experiences. *It worked beautifully!*

I encourage you to give it a try within your Chapters as you develop your programming calendars for the year. We did it again this year and all programming decisions were once again complete within 20 minutes and done well! I feel like this has involved and encouraged members who otherwise may not have had a voice or may not have stepped forward individually to help on their own. It really creates a wonderful feeling of group cohesiveness and shared responsibility within the Chapter!

Planning a year of programming in 20 minutes is possible!

Pi State Directory Information

Each Pi State Past President and each 2018-2019 Pi State Executive Committee member will receive one complimentary Directory at the 2018 Fall Executive Board/Seminar in Corning on October 12-13, 2018.

No Directories will be mailed. People will sign for Directories from your area if you are not in attendance. If Chapter Presidents and Pi State Committee Chairs do not pre-order, they will receive a free copy as a PDF attachment.

ORDER DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1, 2018

PLEASE SEND YOUR ORDER AND PAYMENT TO: Karen Crumley, Executive Secretary, 50 Hidden Ridge Drive, Monticello, NY 12701. Phone#: 845-794-0207. Email: kcrumley@hvc.rr.com

Order Forms are on Pi State Website in the Chapters Menu

Congratulations, and Thank You, Pi State!

The Pi State Awards Committee extends a huge **THANK YOU** to all members for taking the *Opportunity to Connect!* Your generosity, support of and commitment to DKG Pi State and the Awards, Scholarships and Grants-in-Aid awarded each year is appreciated beyond words.

With your help, Pi State raised \$6,001 in benefit tickets, exceeding President Mary-Martha Harvey's challenge by \$1 and last year's contributions by \$105!!

Along with this amazing support, we had 10 fabulously *connected* Area Council gift baskets to share with 10 excited members.

73% of our Chapters participated in the benefit drawing. Fantastic support came from each Area Council (% of Chapters within each AC participating): **Eastern** 100%, **Northern** 100%, **Capital** 86%, **Southeastern** 86%, **West Central** 80%, **East Central** 100%, **South Central** 71%, **Northwestern** 60%, **North Central** 50%, and **Southwestern** 25%. *Sincere thanks to you all for connecting instantly!*

Erin Merrill

(Please note: All information on the benefit tickets and patron lists are destroyed in an incinerator to keep your information private)

2018 Pi State Scholarship, Awards, and Grant(s)-in-Aid Benefit Baskets

Area Council	Contribution Theme	Congratulations to...
Capital	<i>Outdoors Connection:</i> \$100 LL Bean Gift Card	Joanne Stickler <i>Gamma Epsilon</i>
South Central	<i>Body Connection:</i> \$100 LL Bean Gift Card	Annmarie Santorelly <i>Zeta</i>
Northwestern	<i>Connecting Your Inner Shopper</i> Hand-quilted conference carry-all & tote, purse, table runner and special gifts	Gail Rumsey <i>Omega</i>
Southwestern	<i>Opportunities for Connection</i> A basket of maple sweetness and accompaniments	Sue Summerfield <i>Pi</i>
West Central	<i>Opportunities for Communication:</i> \$100 Amazon Gift Card	Mary Metzger <i>Gamma Alpha</i>
Northern	<i>Body Connection:</i> \$100 LL Bean Gift Card	<i>Alpha Beta</i> chapter
Eastern	<i>Connecting to Beauty: Jewels and Nature</i> Tiffany Gift Card and Hudson Valley Book	Marylu Collins <i>Epsilon</i>
Southeastern	<i>Opportunities for her Wardrobe!</i> \$100 Macys gift card, Jaclyn Smith bag, jewelry	Doreen Croyle <i>Zeta</i>
East Central	<i>Opportunities to Connect....with your Palate</i> Local Finger Lakes wines, gift card to the NY Wine and Culinary center, local jam, locally made marinara sauce and pasta, maple syrup, maple candies, Oliver's Olive oils, and dry rub spices	Sherry Jackson <i>Alpha Eta</i>
North Central	<i>Shop-portunity!</i> Miniature shopping cart containing a change purse, 3 gift cards and some candies plus \$2 for tolls on the way home	Cornelia Johnson <i>Beta Delta</i>
Epsilon Chapter	<i>A Sharing Opportunity!</i> \$100 gift card	Mary Brassard <i>Psi</i>

2017-19 Pi State Biennium Theme: "Opportunities to Connect"

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Wadsworth
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Tammy Olmstead
Deb Poplasky
Sharyn Powell
June Renner
Holly Rich
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Mary Shelley
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Kay VanDeusen
Karen Varricchio
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Jan Wright

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Alpha Alpha
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Alpha Beta members
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Mary LoScalzo
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Alpha Epsilon
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Penny Slingerland
Priscilla Slingerland

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Martha Strever
Marily Wakefield
Diane Zduniak

Alpha Eta

Alpha Eta Chapter
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Lochie Musso

Alpha Theta

Alpha Theta Chapter
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Delores Tracy
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Maria Weimer
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Theodora Cox
Jean Kennedy
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Alpha Rho Chapter
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Robyn Ballard
Mary Kay Bolan
Kitty Braddon
Annita Breitweiser
Ginger Burgess
Shirley Carney
Connie Castelluzzo
Mary Lou Charland
Peg Colacino
Cecilia Colosi
Jane Crosby
Erin Cunningham
Corrine DeRue
Janice Driscoll
Sandra Eddy
Sharon Fredericks
Mary Ann Guarney
Mary Ann Gilman
Dawn Goodman
Alice Greal
Nancy Green
Laura Janas
Marcia Johnston
Teresa Keyes
Karen Lahue
Patti Larche
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Stacy Liberati
Linda Lindner
Carol Martin
Kay Meisch
Deb Minor
Arlene Morley
Freida Mulheron
Elin Orman
Barb Paige
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Betty Pilato
Amy Rozelle
Alice Russell
Marilyn Sacheli
Jeanne Schenk
Jean Smith
Jeanne Smith
Helen Stewart
Mary Ann Strasser
Sandy Sucher
Laura Tantillo
Heather Tillman
Rebecca Trank
Linda Utter
Andrea Windus

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Amy Zimmerman

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Geri Brown
Katherine Cho
Mary Curry
Jean Fontana
Bev Krug
Valerie Lagakis
Deborah Mendelson
Jane Sanacora
Margie Schiering
Joyce Tang

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M. Deeney
Nancy Fitch

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Ruth Ann Fultz
Amy Herman
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Kathy Hubacher
Stephanie Jordan
Jo Konvinse
Jane Kruse
Leslie Kunze
Becky Lane
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JoAnn Marcheson
Dorothy Marcy
Diane McCallum
Jackie McDaniel
Laurie McKeown
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Morgan
Nancy Morningstar
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Pamela Partridge
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Linda Rubeck
Diane Santora
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Ann Smith
Sandy Stachowiak
Ruthanne Vitagliano

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Beta Delta Chapter
members
Carol Lord

Beta Eta

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Ginny House
Linda Marshall
Karen Mazzola
Diane McHale-Mix
Susan Moses
Mary Anna Russo
Martha Swaun
Barbara Quinn

Beta Theta

Beta Theta Chapter
members

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Pi State Awards Benefit Patrons 2018*Concluded from page thirteen***Beta Kappa**

Jane Tanner

Beta Mu

Karen Butters
Anne Cooney
Linda Joss Dyke
Rose Ann Hickey
Linda Jackson
Sara Kelly Johns
Liz Johnson
Carol Lamb
Sue Norris
Michele Pinard
Cheryl Schiller
Beryl Szwed

Beta Nu

Diane Battaglia
Bridget Carandori
Maria Hager
Nancy Nelson
Sharon Parker
Cathie Phelps
Carol Polisenio
Cindy Reger
Sheila Vrenna
Liz Wascak

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Beverly Krouse
J. Kruger
Noreen LeCann
Cathis Olinger
Marge Quinn

Beta Omicron

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Marie Burns
Becky Maeder Chien
Kathryn Davino
Janet Dolzel
Jennifer Ennist
Norma Gabriel
Susan Gearhart
Chelsea Guy
Beatrice Hinkley
Mary Hinkley
Patti Kruppo
Erika Liddle
Priscilla Little
Mary MacNaught
Doreen McGrath
Sue Ostrom
Nancy Piper
Patricia Thompson
Margaret Tucker
Missy White
Katherine Whitaker

Beta Tau

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Patti Genereux
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Carolyn Lowell
Anne Mosher

Beta Tau (Continued)

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Vicki Rose
Barb Stewart
Dorothy Topping
Chris Walker
Cindy Zhe

Beta Chi

Beta Chi Chapter
members

Beta Psi

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Fern Daane
Jo Davis
Loretta Detweiler
Rosemarie Devlopoulos
Beverly Jefferson
Catherine McDonnell
Michele Smith
Katrin Summers
Phyllis Voegeli

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Becky Diggin
Jeannine Flinton
Karen Gordon
Lin Jackowski
Karen Jones
Jennifer Lee-Alden
Lisa Meade
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Patricia Siano
Joan Slagle
Carol Troost
Gamma Alpha
Elaine Callow
Penny Ellis
Joan Goldstein
Christine Hanna
Colleen Kelly
Patricia Kelly
Rita King
Mary Luster-Carpenter
Mary Metzger
Debbie Ottenberg
Sara Pettitt
Connie Rensink
Deborah Rhem
Jacqui Taylor-Basker
Joan Bruner Timmons
Eileen Venezia

Gamma Epsilon

Gamma Epsilon Chapter
members

Gamma Zeta

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Mary Franklin
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Doris Knowles
Diane Masters
Cathy Patterson
Doris Roy
Day-Lih Tung
Geraldine Wolfe

The Awards Patrons List is recorded from Chapter lists, member entries and lists recorded at the Spring 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar. Please let Awards Chair Erin Merrill know

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Pi State = 82 years Honoring Key Women Educators

Congratulations to our Pi State 25- and 50- Year Members

25-Year Members



Merriam Boening, Alpha
Rae Fallon, Alpha
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JoAnne Brickley, Kappa
Suzanne Patrick, Rho
Joanne M. Westcott-Buccheri, Rho
Kathleen Evans, Chi
Marian Opela, Chi
Sharon Ann Tallman, Chi
Frances Barood, Psi
Marguerite Wiegand, Omega
Marguerite Paulo-Heyer, Alpha Beta
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Barbara Cross, Alpha Eta
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Jill Barrile, Alpha Lambda
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Carolyn Singletary, Alpha Lambda
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Marilyn Damiano, Alpha Rho
Christine Antalek, Alpha Tau
Laura Janas, Alpha Tau
Marcia M. Johnston, Alpha Tau
Betty Pilato, Alpha Tau
Cynthia Killian, Alpha Chi
Diane Pabes, Alpha Chi
Linda K. Cross, Alpha Psi
Ellen S Hughes, Beta Delta
Linda Joss-Dyke, Beta Mu
Beryl J. Szwed, Beta Mu
Patricia Allan, Beta Tau

25-Year Members



Barbara J. Robinson, Beta Xi
Claire Chastaine, Beta Omicron
Kathleen Curley, Beta Omicron
Jeanne Darling, Beta Omicron
Ellen Moser, Beta Omicron
Patricia Thompson, Beta Omicron
Betsy Hoefen, Beta Tau
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Carol Ann La Fever, Beta Phi
Karen Rowe, Beta Phi
Christine Updyke, Beta Phi
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Anne Drake, Beta Chi
Erin Merrill, Beta Chi
Mary Frances Seymour, Beta Chi
Eileen Pujdak, Beta Psi
Kathleen Hoeltzel, Beta Omega

50-Year Members



Mary Etta Hornicek, Tau
Helen G. Chisholm, Chi
Rita Manly, Psi
Joan B. Rannie, Alpha Beta
Jean Kennedy, Alpha Pi
Ann Ten Eyck, Alpha Pi
Ruth T. Solan, Alpha Chi
C. Myrna Dibiasse, Beta Eta
Ada Chirles, Gamma Alpha

Pi State is part of the **DKG Northeast Region** that includes:

Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Maryland,
 Massachusetts, Michigan, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio,
 Ontario, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Quebec, Rhode Island, Vermont and West Virginia.



Suzanne Patrick

2018 Pi State Achievement Award Presented to Suzanne Patrick

The Pi State Achievement Award is presented annually to a Delta Kappa Gamma member who has made outstanding contributions to the Society at the State Level.

Suzanne Patrick was presented with the **Pi State Achievement Award** at the 2018 Pi State Spring Executive Board Meeting/Seminars Scholarship and Award Luncheon on April 21, 2018. The Award, established in 1954, is presented to a member who has made outstanding contributions to Delta Kappa Gamma at the State level. The recipient is chosen by members of the Achievement Award Committee from among those who have been nominated by their Chapters and supported by Pi State members.

The prestigious Achievement Award is presented once a year to a member who has made outstanding contributions at the state level.

Suzanne is a 25-year member of *Rho* Chapter. In addition to serving as President and Vice President of her Chapter, she has served on many Chapter and State committees, helped her Area Council and attended State, Regional and International events. Since 2005, Suzanne has efficiently served as Pi State Treasurer.

Suzanne's contributions to Pi State have been many but, as mentioned in all her nominations, it is her "can do" attitude, her honesty, her helpfulness and efficiency that make Suzanne stand out. Every Chapter treasurer soon learns that Suzanne is her "go to" person with any question or concern. No problem seems too big for her and she responds with a smile and a solution. At any event she attends, you will see Suzanne ready to problem solve or to step in where needed.

Suzanne Patrick is a good example of a member who loves Delta Kappa Gamma and shows it by what she does and how she does it.

Agnes Becker, Chair



Wanda Ward
Past Pi State President
1987-1989

Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award

The Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award was established in 1988 from a bequest of Past Pi State President Frederica Hollister. Along with honoring the recipient of this Award, it also honors the memory of Frederica Hollister whose contributions to education and women educators was exceptional.

Wanda Ward

The 2018 **Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award** winner is **Wanda Ward**, a 45-year member of Delta Kappa Gamma International. Wanda began her career in a two-room school in Illinois. In 1966 she moved to Rochester, NY and was hired by the Pittsford School District, where she taught Kindergarten while earning her master's degree and Certificate of Advanced Studies. Wanda founded the Teacher Center in Pittsford and served as director for eleven years. She worked as a School-to-School Liaison in an educational program with Yugoslavia and extended her career as the

Principal of Thornell Elementary School and a Supervisor of student teachers for Nazareth College.

Wanda became a member of *Alpha Xi* 1973 and served as Chapter President 1980-82. She served as Pi State President 1987-89, Northeast Regional Director 1990-1992, sat on numerous State, Regional and International Committees, and is currently a member of *Alpha Alpha* Chapter.

Wanda will receive her award at the "LDS on the Road" in Victor on June 28, 2018. She has selected the Pi State Educational Foundation as recipient for the project of her choice for her second check of \$500. She will receive her plaque and personal \$500 check from Pi State at the Seminar.

Jennifer Lee-Alden, Chair

United States Forum Mission Statement

The mission of the United States Forum is to engage its members to take an active role in fulfilling Purposes Four and Seven of the Society in a non-partisan manner.

Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid

Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid are given to Native American women pursuing college study in the field of education and social service.

Four *Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid* are being awarded to deserving young Native American women who seem destined to make positive contributions to their communities through service.



Lori Lachowski

Lori Lachowski

Lori Lachowski, a member of the Tuscarora Nation, is a past recipient of the Native American Grants-in-Aid and a \$500 recipient this year as she continues her studies as a senior, majoring in education at Niagara University. While maintaining a 3.86 GPA, she is active in many campus activities, including new student orientation, fundraisers and the Women's Club Soccer team. In addition to working two part-time jobs, Lori does community service both on campus and on the Tuscarora Reservation where she also participates in annual events to honor tribal elders who are close to her heart.



Kelsey Lachowski

Kelsey Lachowski

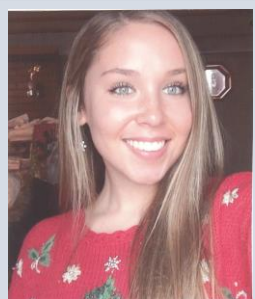
Kelsey Lachowski aspires to become an educator, focusing in the areas of physical education, health and coaching. She is an honor roll student and Varsity Red Letter recipient in multiple sports. Like her sister Lori, Kelsey is very involved in community service, including fundraising for the American Diabetes Association. She has been the recipient of awards for excellence in sportsmanship and leadership. Kelsey has been accepted at Niagara County Community College and Niagara University and receives a \$500 grant.



Cierra Mt. Pleasant

Cierra Mt. Pleasant

Cierra Mt. Pleasant is completing her freshman year at SUNY Geneseo in the School of Education and frequently works with individual children at the Tuscarora Indian Elementary School. She volunteers with Habitat for Humanity, child-oriented charities and theater. In addition, Cierra has been studying sign language and participates in GODA – Gestures Organization for Deaf Awareness. Cierra brings passion, determination, musical talent and a generous heart to her chosen field – Early Childhood Education. She is awarded a \$500 grant.



Ashley Siperek

Ashley Siperek

Ashley Siperek is from Salamanca and a member of the Tonawada Seneca Nation. She demonstrates integrity, organization skills and responsibility through her leadership roles in many club offices. In addition to serving as the school newspaper and yearbook editor, Ashley is a member of the National Honor Society, played sports and was the lacrosse team captain. Next year she plans to pursue a degree in Early Childhood Education at SUNY Cortland. Ashley wrote about the impact her Kindergarten teacher had on her life and believes that early guidance and building the fundamentals are essential for future education and throughout life. She receives a \$500 grant.

Arlene Ida and Susan St. John Jarvis, Co- Chairs



“... Education e'er we'll further ...” *The Delta Kappa Gamma Song*
Verse two by *Annie Webb Blanton and Cora M. Martin*

Bea Small Awards

*Established in 1999 in memory of Bea Small, a member of Omega, the **Bea Small Award** is presented to a Pi State Chapter(s) having an outstanding existing program or project, which addresses a need of a specific population within the Chapter's geographic area. Chapter projects must be ongoing for at least two years.*

GEMS (Girls Empowered and Motivated) (Beta)

Deborah Vibbard, Chapter President

Sara Earl, Project Director

This project is targeted for girls in *Bridges for Kids Program* run by the Cortland YWCA. *Beta* Chapter began the program in 2015, volunteering their support in fundraising, donations, and time. The program began with ten girls and has expanded to two groups of fifteen. The academic progress of the girls in the program is monitored, as well as school attendance, involvement in extracurricular activities, and a reduction in disruptive behavior in school. The Chapter is committed to continuing this project that has a beneficial effect on the young women in the greater Cortland County area.

Emmaus House (Nu)

Janet Jury, Chapter President

Risë Messmer, Project Director

Emmaus House is a temporary home for abused women and their children in the Cornhill area of Utica, NY. *Nu* Chapter has collected hygiene items, school supplies, books and any other special need items that have been requested over the last several years by the Emmaus House director. In the spring we purchase and plant flowers around the house for a more homelike situation for the residents. Many of the women and children that take refuge at this facility arrive with nothing but what they are wearing. Therefore, the toiletries and school supplies are necessary for these women and their children to start afresh.

Project Personal Care (Alpha Zeta)

Kim Goldhirsch, Chapter President

Linda Greedblatt, Project Director

Since November 2014, the Chapter has collected personal hygiene items (soaps, shampoo, combs, deodorant, etc.) and accepts donations of cash to purchase items. These items are packed along with school supplies in backpacks which are donated to schools in their rural area. Food items are also distributed. Fifty bags are filled each summer. Knowing that the recipients and their families benefit from these items keeps the Chapter motivated to continue their project.

Got the Tots Covered (Alpha Theta)

Barbara Filipiak, Chapter President

Peggy Hanavan, Project Director

Got the Tots Covered is a project that the *Alpha Theta* women started to provide the children attending the Medina, Head Start Program with nap time blankets. The members donate 3 yards of fleece fabric and their time to make tie-fleece blankets for the students. The members get together for a morning of fun, visiting, and tying to make the blankets. It is a team effort and after a few hours of work approximately 30-35 blankets are ready for delivery.

Welcome Bag Project (Alpha Pi)

Joanne Carroll, Chapter President

Rosemary Van Wart, Project Director

Walter Hoving Home in Garrison, New York is a residential program for women who have been addicted to drugs, alcohol, or have experienced other life controlling problems. Since many women arrive at the Hoving Home with few possessions, the Chapter decided to assemble *Welcome Bags* to be given to the incoming residents. They fill the bags with a towel, washcloth and personal hygiene products and include a short note of encouragement. These women are embarking on a difficult journey and members hope that support will help them on their road to recovery.

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Mom and Me Book Club (Beta Gamma)

Marie Ochal, Chapter President

Linda Flaherty, Project Director

The *Mom and Me Book Club* is a special cross-community project of the *Beta Gamma* Chapter, *Angel Action* and *Project Read* of Wyoming County. The book club is open to fourth grade girls and their mothers. Linda Flaherty serves as the facilitator for all three organizations, *Beta Gamma* provides the dinner for each meeting. The first book, *The Journey to Nowhere*, is supplied by Project Read. Additional selections are provided by Angel Action. As a member of the club, the girl and her mother read and discuss the book at home, then attend a group meeting to share with other club members. After the book discussion, they make fringed, fleece blankets as a community service project.

Eleanor Robinson, Chair

Travel and Study Stipend

The Travel and Study Stipend Committee is to present Travel and Study Stipends to active and retired educators and promote interest in Society Seminars and Conferences. No one award is to exceed \$1000.00 and efforts will be made to award one stipend to a retired member of the Pi State Delta Kappa Gamma Society and one to a Pi State member currently employed in the profession.



Beryl Szwed

A recipient of this year's *Travel and Study Stipend* goes to **Beryl Szwed (Beta Mu)**. Beryl will be attending the DKG International Convention in Austin, Texas. Beryl has been a member of the *Beta Mu* Chapter since 1993. She was the past President and is currently Vice President and Chair of Chapter Rules and Membership. At the Pi State Level, Beryl has been the Executive Secretary from 2003 to 2016. She was the 2003 Pi State Convention Coordinator and the Chair of the 2012 DKG Convention First Night Committee. She is currently the Northern Area Representative for the Finance Committee. Beryl was honored as the Woman of Distinction in 2009.

Beryl is retired from the Lake Placid Central School District where she was a Mathematics Specialist, grades K-12. She was also the District Testing Coordinator.

While attending the International Convention, Beryl looks forward to being inspired to travel new pathways and to be reenergized for her *Beta Mu* Chapter and her Pi State positions. She also looks forward to using one of her many talents and participating in the International Chorus at the Convention. Beryl is celebrating her 25th anniversary as a member of DKG this year, and she can think of no better way to do so than to visit the headquarters of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, the International Honor Society of Women Educators.



Sheila Brady-Root

Sheila Brady-Root (Alpha Alpha) is a recipient of this year's *Travel and Study Stipend*. She will be attending the DKG International Convention in Austin, Texas. Sheila is currently a faculty member at St. John Fisher College in the Science Department. She is a member of the *Alpha Alpha* Chapter where she has held many positions. She has been Chapter President in two Chapters for four bienniums, four terms as Chair or Co-Chair of West Central Council, a member and Director of the Pi State Educational Foundation from 2016-2020 and the 2015-2018 *Alpha Alpha* member of the Legislative Committee.

At the Pi State Level, Sheila has been the Chair of BYLAWS & Rules, Chair of Personnel, and on the International Convention Committee-NYC as Chair of Property Room 2012. Sheila received the Woman of Distinction Award in 2011 and was the Pi State Achievement Award honoree in 2016. In addition, Sheila has attended seven CTAUN conferences.

Sheila's enthusiasm for attending the International Convention is both inspiring and contagious. She looks forward to becoming energized once again to remember the DKG seven purposes and realize how we are making a difference in the global picture for key leaders as educators. Sheila is looking forward to networking with her sisters from all around this country and the world. She is anxious to share what she has learned to inspire newer members of DKG and encourage them to pursue these opportunities in the future.

Pat Turner, Chair

Congratulations to 2018 Pi State Scholarship Recipient**Christine Bennett**

Christine Bennett, *Omega* Chapter, is the 2018 recipient of a Pi State Scholarship. Since her initiation in 2014, she has had an active role in her Chapter as the hostess committee representative and then chair, and as the current Historical Records Chair. She is currently serving on the state level as the East Central Representative on the Pi State Nominations Committee. She is also a lifetime member of the Pi State Educational Foundation.

Christine is an English Teacher in the Palmyra Macedon High School as well as a District Office Administrative Intern in the Human Resources Department of the Palmyra Macedon Central School District. In that capacity, she has had varied experiences assisting school district faculty and staff in many areas such as observations, conducting interviews and negotiating contracts. She is the school district's first National Board-Certified Teacher and has led 11 other teachers in the district to earn National Board Certification in her role as National Board-Certified Candidate Support Provider. This and other leadership roles that she has held in her district have led her to pursue a goal of school leadership. To that end she is enrolled in the University of Rochester's Warner School of Education in the Educational Leadership Program. She will use the scholarship to help her complete the final three credits. She embodies the spirit of a key woman educator that Delta Kappa Gamma and Pi State are proud to support!

Rosemary Van Wart

Pi State Chapters Milestone Anniversaries

**Recognized at Pi State Spring 2018 Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, 21 April 2018**

Beta, 80 years ... Organized February 12, 1938
Deborah Vibbard, President

Beta Eta, 50 years ... Organized November 24, 1968
Mary Anna Russo, President

Lambda, 70 years ... Organized October 23, 1948
Stephanie Allen, President

Beta Omicron, 45 years ... Organized June 9, 1973
Patricia Thompson, President

Phi, 65 years ... Organized April 29, 1953
Barbara Keis, President

Gamma Delta, 30 years ... Organized April 24, 1988
Donna Krayenvenger, President

Alpha Kappa, 60 years ... Organized April 26, 1958
Donna Langley-Peck, President

Gamma Epsilon, 25 years ... Organized June 12, 1993
Jennifer Smith & Lisa Smithers, Presidents

Alpha Lambda, 60 years ... Organized June 7, 1958
Nancy Pankow, President

Gamma Zeta, 25 years ... Organized October 19, 1993
Dr. Geraldine Wolfe, President

Alpha Omega, 55 years ... Organized April 6, 1963
Karen Settembre, President



*"We are indeed an Organization where we value each member, their talents and their contributions to education and are united by our seven purposes. Our Chapters are truly **the heart of our Society.**"*

Pi State President 2017-2019 Mary-Martha W. Harvey

Spring 2018 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar, April 20-21
The Century House, Latham

Photos by Cathie Phelps, Beta Nu



Invitation to the Fall 2018 Executive Board Meeting at Radisson, Corning October 12-13 with State Scholarship Chair Rosemarv Van Wart as Angel



State Parliamentarian Ellie Robinson, Alpha Tau, at the Awards Luncheon with Benefit Tickets Bag Ready for Drawing



Basket for Benefit Drawing from Southwestern Area Council



Keynote Lisa Meade, Beta Omega, Pi State President Mary-Martha Harvey, Omega, and Presenter Kristin Grünberg, Gamma Alpha, "Social Media Platforms"



Pi State Educational Foundation Board President Ginny Dudko, Tau, and Sharon Patrick, Alpha Kappa



Keynote Lisa Meade at General Session ... "Standing on the Shoulders of Giants"



Pi State Achievement Award Chair Agnes Becker, Gamma Delta, with 2018 Pi State Achievement Award Recipient Suzanne Patrick, Rho



Awards Luncheon ... (l to r) International Communications Chair Connie Resnick, Keynote Lisa Meade, Registrar Karen Jones, Beta Omega, State Editor Katja Stevens, Omega, and Pi State President Mary-Martha Harvey



Music Performance at Awards Luncheon (l to r) – Soloist Leah Exner, Tau, Dr. Roz Freedman-Baum, Alpha Alpha, Bridget Bishop, Alpha Alpha, Kate Elder, Alpha Psi, State Nominations Committee Chair Diane Battaglia, Beta Nu, and State Music Chair Vicky Stockton, Alpha Chi

THE PI STATE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The **Pi State Educational Foundation** is a tax-exempt organization that promotes literacy and learning by supporting literacy projects developed by Pi State members and Chapters. These projects are supported solely by your donations and membership fees. Please remember the Foundation when looking for a gift idea or memoriam for a friend or family member.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Foundation's Annual Meeting in Latham. Thank you to Pi State President Harvey for scheduling extra time for our meeting. We heard reports from all ten grant recipients or their designees about their projects that were funded this past year. What a wonderful variety of projects are going on around Pi State, supporting learning and literacy, thanks to the generosity and vision of all of you! The membership began a discussion about how to share these projects with a wider audience.

During the meeting **Ginny Dudko** was elected to another four-term as a Director of the Foundation. Her term will run from July 1, 2018-2022. She will continue to serve as Foundation President. It was also announced that, beginning July 1st, Director **Jean Sekel** will take over as Foundation Treasurer and current Treasurer **Jane Tanner** will assist her for the next year. Director **Grace Murphy** will take over as Foundation Secretary as of July 1st. The amendment to stagger the terms for Directors was also passed during the annual meeting. Since the 10-Year Plaque Challenge ended, the plaque was awarded to *Gamma Delta* for its permanent home, as that is the Chapter having the highest percentage of Foundation members.

Our **18-by-18 Challenge** continues, and, at present, we have eleven Chapters who have already "met the challenge!" Wonderful!! They are: **Pi, Tau, Omega, Alpha Alpha, Alpha Delta, Alpha Pi, Beta Mu, Beta Psi, Gamma Delta, Gamma Zeta, Alpha Tau**. Continue to keep up the good work! Please see the listing of new members and donors listed in this issue.

The Pi State Educational Foundation Directors want to invite everyone to our **15th Anniversary Celebration!** It will be held during the luncheon at the Fall Executive Board Meeting on Saturday, October 13, 2018 at the Radisson in Corning, NY. We will be celebrating a bit of our history, and recognizing our past Directors, Foundation members and our **18-by-18 Challenge** winners. Mark your calendars and join us!

One grant application for funding was received by the May 1st deadline from **Ellen Hughes** of *Beta Delta*. She is being awarded \$1200 for her Chapter project, "Books to Feed the Mind." Her Chapter will partner with the county backpack program that sends food home with students and add books to the backpacks, so students might also be enriched with "food to feed the mind" as well as the body.

The deadline for the next funding round is November 1st. Applications may be found on the **Pi State Educational Foundation** section of the Pi State website. Remember that we now encourage you to submit your application electronically. The Directors have decided to place a top limit of \$1200 on grants that are awarded. While we only received one application this time, we have been getting up to ten (and more) requests annually. So that we might honor as many requests as possible, the Directors decided to place an upper limit on grant applications. Please continue to support the Foundation so that we can continue our good work! Donation forms are on the Pi State website.

Please be aware that there are three Director seats up for election in 2020. We need excellent candidates to run for these positions in two years. If you love literacy and learning (who doesn't?), consider serving as a Foundation Director. We might especially encourage those of you who have been grant recipients to think about serving on the Board of Directors! If you need more information about what the job entails, please ask.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the work of the Pi State Educational Foundation.

Ginny Dudko

Project Grant Applications due May 1st and November 1st

Special thanks to all our donors and lifetime members in the Pi State Educational Foundation. Over the years you have supported valuable literacy projects throughout our State that may not have existed without your financial support.

Thank you!

Pi State Educational Foundation Donations

(December 31, 2017 through June 1, 2018)

Ginny Dudko, *Tau*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Jane Tanner, *Beta Kappa*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Jean Sekel, *Pi*, donation to the Foundation
Grace Murphy, *Alpha Beta*, donation to the Foundation
Sheila Brady Root, *Alpha Alpha*, donation in honor of her mentor, Aunt Emily
Joan Slagle, *Beta Omega*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Andrea Morris, *Alpha Beta*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Joan Holesko, *Gamma Delta*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Gamma Delta Chapter, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Karen Crumley, *Tau*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Mary Michelfelder, *Beta Mu*, donation to the Foundation
Leah Exner, *Tau*, donation to the Foundation
Omega Chapter, donation to the Foundation
Jane Tanner, *Beta Kappa*, donation in memory of Sheila Murray Mahady
Sue Genter, *Alpha Alpha*, donation in memory of Sharon Anelora
Pi State Executive Committee, donation in honor of Karen Jones, Registrar
Arlene Ida, donation in memory of Carolyn Snapp
Terri Palmiero, *Alpha Chi*, donation to the Foundation
Sharon Patrick, *Alpha Kappa*, donation in memory of Sister Agnes Rose Burton
Joan Slagle, *Beta Omega*, donation in memory of Beverly Anker
Andrea Morris, *Alpha Beta*, donation in memory of Sheila Murray Mahady
Karen Jones, *Beta Omega*, donation to the Foundation
Mary-Martha Harvey, *Omega*, donation in honor of Alpha Lambda's 60th Anniversary
Mary-Martha Harvey, *Omega*, donation in honor of Beta's 80th Anniversary
Mary-Martha Harvey, *Omega*, donation in honor of Beta Eta's 50th Anniversary
Psi Chapter, donation in memory of Emily Castine
Psi Chapter, donation in memory of Mary Jane Chilton
Wanda Ward, *Alpha Alpha*, donation from her 2018 Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award

Pi State Foundation Directors

2014-18 Virginia (Ginny) Dudko, *Tau*, Chair

2015-19 Jane Tanner, *Beta Kappa*, Treasurer

Terms Ending 2020

Jean Sekel, *Pi*, Secretary

Sheila Brady-Root, *Alpha Alpha*

Grace Murphy, *Alpha Beta*

Pi State Educational Foundation Lifetime Members

(December 31, 2017 through June 1, 2018)

Alpha Beta

Anne Moore
Nancy Marotta
Carole Dalton
Carol Dougherty

Alpha Chi

Charlene Castelletti
Celia Domser

Alpha Kappa

Katherine Town
Linda Seymour
Diana Davison
Donna Langley-Peck
Maxine Terpening
Wynne Wright
Nancy Siegel

Alpha Tau

Renee Williams
Cecilia Colosi
Annita Breitweise

Beta Chi

Bernadette Baldini

Beta Gamma

Claudia Cerasani

Beta Mu

Carol Lamb
Elizabeth Johnson
Linda Joss-Dyke
Sara Kelly Johns
Anne Cooney
Mary Michelfelder

Beta Omega

Lisa Meade

Thank you!

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION GRANT ANNOUNCED

The Directors of the Pi State Educational Foundation awarded one grant for literacy and learning projects that was submitted by May 1, 2018.

"Books to Feed the Mind" is **Beta Delta's** Chapter Program. They will partner with the county backpack program that sends food home with students and add books to the backpacks, so students might also be enriched with "food to feed the mind" as well as the body. **Ellen Hughes** is the Project Director and will receive \$1200.

Pi State Sisters Attend 2018 CTAUN Conference

“Stepping Up to Protect the World’s Children”



“Promises made to children are sacred”

-Nelson Mandela

There is no proper way to express my gratitude to the **Travel and Stipend Committee** for selecting me as an award recipient, other than to say thank you from the bottom of my heart. I had the wonderful opportunity to travel to NYC and attend the CTAUN conference, “Stepping Up to Protect the World’s Children” at the United Nations. To say that this experience was anything less than amazing would be untrue.

After a warm welcome from Anne-Marie Carlson, CTAUN Chair and fellow DKG Sister, we listened as speaker after speaker were equally awe inspiring. The content matter was astonishing and heartbreaking and makes your heart yearn to learn more to help. One speaker quoted, UNICEF and stated that every five minutes a child dies from violence. Let that sink in! That is 12 children every hour and 288, almost 300 children every day. These deaths are not from illnesses and accidents, but from violent acts inflicted on our most valuable and vulnerable, our children.

We sat and listened, at times on the edge of our seats, as the expert panel from all different backgrounds addressed the attendees. Parents, students, educators, UN workers, Ambassadors, Lawyers and professors, all united in protecting children throughout the world, shared their expertise, firsthand accounts and research. We listened to the horrors of children forced into the sex trafficking life and about children who are being slaughtered or turned into child soldiers in war torn areas. There is an increasing number of children that are dying from gun violence, whether on the streets or in schools, where they should feel safe. These speakers were unbelievably well versed. We were given the facts and figures and told of the horrors that children around the world endure. The lack of rights and education for these child victims are a call to action.

Then there was Mark Barden, Founder and Managing Director of Sandy Hook Promise. He wasn’t just a speaker, he is the father of Daniel, a first-grade student, whose beautiful life was tragically cut short when he was gunned down with fellow students and teachers in December 2012. I must admit, that at this point in the conference I had become overwhelmed by emotions and tears streamed down my face.

Again, I cannot thank the **Travel & Study Committee** enough for allowing me this opportunity to attend this conference. If anyone would like to learn more about the amazing speakers, please go to the CTAUN.org website and search for the 2018 conference. The speakers, and a summary of their expert content can be found at this link. It is worth reading and researching more. We don’t know what we don’t know. Educate yourself and act in any way possible, whether its locally or globally, the world’s children are literally dying for your help.

Christina Unger



*CTAUN Conference led by Ann-Marie Carlson,
CTAUN Chair*



*Anne-Marie Carlson, CTAUN
Chair, and Grace Murphy,
CTAUN Vice President*



*Karen Crumley, Joan Slagle, and Jennifer
Lee-Alden at the conference*



*Rosemary Callard-Szulgit and
Judy Wadsworth of Alpha Alpha
at the conference.*

*Photos and captions
submitted by Judith Wadsworth,
Alpha Alpha*

Happy Birthday Alpha Iota



Pictured in the photo are from left to right (front row): Elsie Farrell, Linda DeLorm, Kay Shaver, Louise Kellogg; (back row): Lauren Lalley, Jill Walch, Joanne Horrell, Lori Stone, Mary Anne Warner-Long, Agnes Wilk.

Alpha Iota celebrated its 60th birthday at the Tavern on the Lock on Saturday, November 4, 2017. Besides a wonderful lunch and gathering of sisters, there was a special recognition of **Alpha Iota's** Past Presidents. Each was recognized and presented with a red rose.

Past Presidents not pictured: **Barbara Amedro, Beverly Castiglione, Gail McKinnon, Ellen Nowyj, Elsie Peterson, Ellen Schardt, Joan Shum, Joan Waterbury, Nancy Zollo.**

Karen Marzynski

Photo Courtesy of Linda Gebhardt

Alpha Rho



*Michelle Halperin, an **Alpha Rho** member, has chaired the Book Fest for eight years. This year's theme was "**Blast Off with a Good Book.**"*

Submitted by Maureen Nicolo

Omega



***Omega** member Christine Bennett receives Pi State Scholarship from President Mary-Martha Harvey.*

Gail Burr

Beta Omega



*Congratulations to Brita Donovan, **Beta Omega**, on her appointment as Superintendent of the Galway Central School District. She is the Second Vice President. We congratulate Brita on this well-earned accomplishment and wish her all the best as she transitions to her new position.*

Omega



*New officers for the 2018-2020 Biennium **Omega** Chapter were installed at the Chapter's June meeting at the Ramada Inn in Geneva. Pictured (l to r) are President Denise Clark; 1st Vice President Cynthia Lynch; 2nd Vice President Dawn Scales; Parliamentarian Lois Ludwig; Secretary Beverly Lanoue; Treasurer Judy Kiehle.*

Gail Burr

Beta Xi's "Adopted a Teacher" Project For Early Career Educators

Our Chapter, **Beta Xi**, has implemented a very special project, "Adopted a Teacher," for the past few years. We have supported a new teacher in her first year of teaching.

As we learned of possible candidates, we collected small gift certificates for supplies (*like Office Max, Walmart, etc.*), gift certificates for treats (*Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, etc.*), blank note cards/thank you cards (*which always come in handy*), poems/letters of encouragement, and anything else we think a new teacher would appreciate.

Depending on what we have collected and how many new teachers we are made aware of, a new teacher may find a small basket filled with some school supplies and a note of encouragement letting her know that we are there to support her on her very first day in the classroom. Later in the year around report card time, we have sent the gift certificates for treats and a note encouraging them to use the gift card to celebrate having finished their first report cards or to keep them going while they finish.

Recipients have been extremely grateful for the encouragement and the small treats. We have enjoyed being able to welcome new teachers to our profession.

Jill Kruger

Beta Omega



Beta Omega Installation of 2018-2020 Officers – (l to r) Second Vice President Brita Donovan, First Vice President Kim Gordon, President Karen Jones and Presiding Outgoing President Jennifer Lee-Alden.

Joan Slagle

Sigma



New **Sigma** Officers – (l to r) Jeanne Rose, Corresponding Secretary, Hamilton Central School District; Kathie Burnside, Recording Sec., Unadilla Valley School District; Brianne Tugaw, President, Cazenovia School District; Leota Crary, Treasurer, Madison Central School District; Nancy Carroll, Past-President, Oneida City School District

Nancy Carroll

Beta Omega Initiates New Members



Beta Omega initiates from October 2017 and September 2016 (l to r): Kim Gordon, Beta Omega 2nd Vice President and Membership Chair, Carol Vieira, Rituals and Ceremonies Co-Chair. Initiates – Deb Hutchinson, Megan Eschler, Mary Eschler, Lisa Meade with Jennifer Lee-Alden, Beta Omega Chapter President.

Jennifer Lee-Alden
Photographer Joan Slagle

Experience CTAUN: Sheila Mahady Scholarship

The **Beta Chi** Chapter of Pi State announces the 2018 establishment of the **Experience CTAUN: Sheila Mahady Scholarship**.

Sheila Mahady was a pioneer in introducing **Beta Chi** members to CTAUN (Committee for Teaching about the United Nations). As a professional educator and constant mentor, Sheila encouraged **Beta Chi** members to become global thinkers on worldwide topics. CTAUN, through a daylong conference held at the United Nations in New York City, sparks the passion of every educator.

This scholarship allows a **Beta Chi** CTAUN attendee a scholarship to help defray travel, housing and other costs while attending CTAUN for the first time. The scholarship was created in the spirit of Sheila's devotion to CTAUN participation and her planning to transform the conference into a weekend of learning!

The very first recipient of the **Experience CTAUN: Sheila Mahady Scholarship** was a very new member **Jayasree (Jaya) Mangalagiri**. Jaya attended the conference and clearly became fully immersed and involved, evidenced by her enthusiasm and thoughtful questions. After CTAUN, Jaya, **Fran Seymour** (**Beta Chi**) and Fran's sister Margie met **Diane Mahady-Stefanovic** (Sheila's daughter) at a café near the UN. Diane was on her way to see Sheila and just knew Sheila would feel the good vibes of her meeting with Jaya! We know she did before she passed just eight days later.

Beta Chi is very honored to be able to extend this scholarship to our members in Sheila's memory.



*Jayasree Mangalagiri and Fran Seymour (Beta Chi)
at 2018 CTAUN Conference*

Erin Merrill (Photo by Margaret Hanratty)

New York 2018 Woman of Distinction



*Dr. Alice Holloway Young
Alpha Alpha*

Alpha Alpha member **Dr. Alice Holloway Young** is a 2018 New York State Woman of Distinction.

She was recognized for her work as a founder of Monroe Community College and as one of the first African-American teachers and administrators in the Rochester City School District where she worked for four decades. She earned her masters and doctoral degrees in education supervision and administration from the University of Rochester. She was a founding trustee of Monroe Community College in 1961 and served as chair of the trustees for 20 years.

The Women of Distinction program of the NYS Senate honors exceptional women in NYS who make contributions in their communities daily. NYS Senator Rich Funke made the announcement of Dr. Young's award.

Judith Wadsworth

Alpha Beta Initiates New Members



Alpha Beta inducted four members during their March meeting. Pictured from l to r: Mary Ann Baldari with Ms. Millie LaMarca, retired teacher of Social Studies from Fort Hamilton HS, Brooklyn; Virginia McLoughlin with Ms. Maria V. Mulkay Welsh, retired teacher of Special Education from Tottenville HS, Staten Island; Nancy Myers with Ms. Nancy Myers Benbow, retired Coordinator of career development for adolescents with disabilities from Manhattan School for Career Development; and Marguerite Paulo Heyer.

Mary Anne Baldari (Photo by Andrea Morris)

Bea Small Award Nu Chapter



Nu members plant flowers for Emmaus House. Back row (l to r): Erica McMyler, Risë Messmer, Janet Jury. Front row (l to r): Vera Beggs, Paityn Billard, Sheri Hunter, Tamara Billard

Risë Messmer
Photo by E. Kluge

YWCA Cortland Gems Group Receives Ongoing Support from Beta Chapter



Pi State President Mary-Martha Harvey attended the May **Beta** meeting. She and Ellie Robinson, Grant Chair, presented the **Bea Small Award** to the GEMS. The girls plan to use the money for activities that would otherwise not be possible: field trips and workshops to supplement their summer programming. A self-defense workshop, a college tour of Tompkins Cortland Community College and ukulele lessons are among the planned summer activities.

Sara Earl

Bea Small Award – “Got the Tots Covered” - Alpha Theta



(left photo l to r) Lois Donovan, Jeanette Lindke, Jen Lesinowski, Sue Richards, Heather Petroziello, Pat Turner, Nelda Callard, Katherine Weber, Barb Filipiak, Peggy Hanavan

(right photo l to r) Heather Petroziello, Jen Lesinowski, Pat Turner, Katherine Weber

Phyllis DiMiero

Alpha Pi Welcome Bag Project



Alpha Pi members received a **Bea Small Award** for their **Welcome Bag** Project.

(l to r): Joanne Carroll, Jan Antonucci, Stephanie Brewer, Corinne Wynne and Rosemary Van Wart.

Joanne Carroll

Beta Gamma “Mom & Me Book Club”



Beta Gamma Treasurer Mary Carris (left) receives **Bea Small Award** for “**Mom and Me Book Club**” Project. The Project Director is Linda Flaherty.

Linda Flaherty

Alpha Tau



Members of Alpha Tau met at Lakeside Country Club in Penn Yan, NY for their May meeting. They celebrated Founders' Day with an adaptation of the 2016 International Founders' Day Steeple Chase, written by Jackie Smart and Esther Loskowske of Gamma Alpha, Michigan. The 2018 **Alpha Tau** Horse Race saw a photo finish by the seven core purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Heather Tillman

Alpha Iota



Michelle Lonergan (back row left) was initiated into the **Alpha Iota** Chapter at its April 2018 meeting. Michelle is a retired secondary teacher from the Central Square Central School District. She currently is the President of the Oswego County Retired Teachers Association. Also pictured are (back row): Shelly Lee and Agnes Wilk; (kneeling): Gail Wentworth.

Article and Photo Courtesy of Karen Marzynski

Alpha Iota



At the May 7, 2018 Founders' Day Luncheon, **Alpha Iota** Chapter's new Officers were installed.

Pictured (l to r): Nora Ostrander, Parliamentarian; Gloria Stone, Treasurer; Luann Kehoe, Corresponding Secretary; Elizabeth Fleury, Recording Secretary; Elaine Suskin, Second Vice President; Helen Bolen, First Vice President; Gail Wentworth and Patricia Mehlek, Co-Presidents.

Karen Marzynski

Photo Courtesy of Susan Jones

Alpha Theta



On March 27, Dan Mault, a third-grade teacher at the Royalton-Hartland School District led the **Alpha Theta** Chapter on a virtual field trip. In keeping current with some new technological trends, the Chapter visited International Headquarters in Austin, TX. The members were taken on a field trip led by Nita Scott, Executive Director, and were able to interact with questions and answers. What a great way to visit our International Headquarters!

Phyllis DiMiero

Alpha Iota

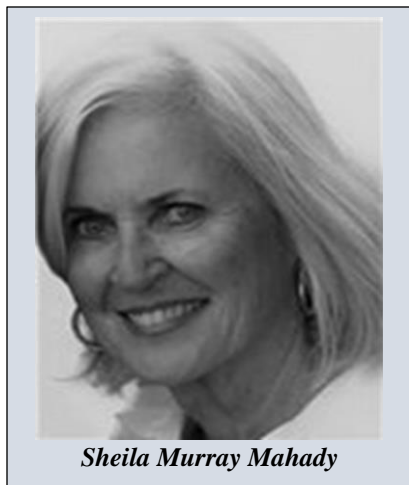


Rebecca Williamson (l) was recognized on April 9, 2018 as the 2017 NYS Association of Family and Consumer Science Educators Teacher of the Year. Rebecca earned this honor for her outstanding contributions in education in the field of Family and Consumer Sciences Education. She teaches at the Central Square Central Middle School. Pictured with her is Diane Davies, fellow **Alpha Iota** sister.

Article and Photo
Courtesy of Karen Marzynski

Membership = to Recruit, Retain and Reinstate

Remembering Sheila Murray Mahady



Sheila Murray Mahady

It is with sadness that the **Beta Chi** Chapter of Pi State DKG shares the passing of our dear **Sheila Murray Mahady**. Sheila passed away on April 18, 2018 at the age of 77.

Sheila was born and raised in Utica and after high school received her undergraduate degree from Ladycliff College. After relocating to Corning with her husband, Bryan and two children, Diane and Bryan, Sheila received her master's degree from Elmira College. Sheila taught in the Elmira/Corning area for many years covering many subjects such as gifted and talented, mathematics (she had a brilliant math mind!) and BOCES teen parent courses. Most of her career was spent in the Corning-Painted Post School District as a teacher and ultimately as the president of the Corning Teachers' Association, just prior to retirement in 1995. Her passion for education did not end with her retirement since Sheila could always be counted on in her role as a board member of the local Salvation Army, Elmira Corning Community Foundation and the Corning Hospital Ladies Auxiliary (often chairing many fundraising events).

Her leadership in The Fund for Women (a local organization providing educational opportunities for girls), and her passion for DKG were always evident.

Delta Kappa Gamma held a special place in Sheila's heart. She was initiated into the **Beta Chi** Chapter in May 1985 and never stopped championing DKG. Sheila was a mentor to numerous members of **Beta Chi**, and proudly served Pi State as First Vice President (1999-2001), Second Vice President (1997-1999), State World Fellowship Chair (2001-2003) and a member of the Ad Hoc Strategic Plan for Renewal Committee (2000). She was a key leader in Pi State. It was at a Pi State Convention that Sheila was reunited with her Ladycliff College roommate **Sheila Brady-Root (Alpha Alpha)**!!

Being a teacher who believed in the good of humanity and in thinking with a global outlook, Sheila was a strong advocate of CTAUN. She mentored many **Beta Chi** members through the CTAUN day and then a weekend in NYC, which included fine meals, spa visits, shopping, and a show. It was this devotion that caused the **Beta Chi** Chapter to create Experience CTAUN: The Sheila Mahady Scholarship in her honor/memory. This scholarship supports a **Beta Chi** member's first-time attendance at a CTAUN event.

Erin Merrill

Remembering Alpha Phi Members

When the Roosevelt School District was taken over by New York State, our Chapter wanted to help by focusing on literacy and improving access to academic tutoring. **Dr. Eleanora R. Spratt** and **Sister Regis Milhaven, O.P., Ph.D.** were invaluable in this endeavor.

Eleanora did so by opening doors, especially the door to Roosevelt's Public Library for our Saturday early reading intervention program. Sister Regis who was a Professor of Chemistry at Molloy offered tutoring (essentially an after-hours Chemistry Regents course). Both members seemed to know everyone in the local community.

At the end of our project the Roosevelt community hosted the best ever "fried chicken" dinner for our Chapter participants. Eleanora and Regis passed away this winter. Their leadership, energy, and camaraderie will be sorely missed.

Jean Fontana

Alpha Beta



Alpha Beta hosted a fundraising event in April 2018 at Staten Island's Stone House at Clove Lakes to raise money for grant scholarships for qualified Staten Island high school seniors choosing to pursue a career in education and to provide stipends to new teachers.

The event raised over \$2600.

Carole Dalton (Photos Andrea Morris)

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

VISION STATEMENT: Leading women educators impacting education worldwide

Pi State Necrology Report

March 2017 to April 2018

Name	Chapter	Date of Death
Beverly Anker	Gamma Delta	11/22/2017
Ellen Barcel	Beta Psi	8/?/17
Wyoma Best	Alpha Alpha	8/25/2017
Helen Brion	Beta Psi	5/?/2017
Helen H. Brion	Alpha Delta	5/13/2017
Florence Burnett	Alpha Theta	8/1/2017
Patricia Campbell	Alpha Beta	5/8/2017
Emily Castine	Psi	11/13/2017
Mary Jane Chilton	Psi	10/11/2017
Susan Coolican	Alpha Rho	1/27/21018
Mary Dunkle	Beta Gamma	7/4/2017
Doris Eldredge	Alpha Tau	3/14/2017
Alleen Fraser	Beta Eta	?/8/2017
Nancy J. Heiman	Gamma Delta	7/25/2017
Patricia Herfurth	Alpha Delta	4/?/2017
Dorothy Hiler	Alpha Iota	7/21/2017
Louise Kellogg	Alpha Iota	1/4/2018
Dorothy Kraft	Alpha Nu	8/2/2017
Dr. Jean Lloyd	Gamma Alpha	4/18/2017
Dr. Margaret Locke	Alpha Rho	8/27/2017
Shelia Mahady	Beta Chi	4/18/2018
Alice K. Martin	Alpha Theta	11/1/2017
Mary Ann Maurer	Rho	1/1/2018
Mary McCadden Welch	Alpha Alpha	5/6/2017
Kay Michael	Beta Eta	?/?/2017
Sister Regis Milhaven	Alpha Phi	3/17/2018
Kathleen Oldfield	Beta Delta	12/6/2017
Lilian Popp	Alpha Beta	8/3/2017
Mary Ellen Rauber	Beta Tau	1/19/2018
Esther M. Rogers	Alpha Iota	3/5/2018
Kathleen Russo	Beta Delta	11/27/2017
Louise Slaughter	Alpha Alpha	3/16/2018
Carolyn Snapp	Alpha Kappa	11/2/2017
Dr. Eleanor Spratt	Alpha Phi	?/?/2017
Ann Marie Valone	Beta Eta	?/1/2018
Brenda West	Beta Chi	10/26/2017
Irene Wilson	Chi	3/29/2018
Diane Wooster	Beta Gamma	1/10/2018
Priscilla Zarub	Alpha Phi	8/14/2017

We honor the memories of these women and their commitment to the purposes of DKG and we recognize their years of service and leadership.

Please notify **Sue Kenoyer** as soon as possible by filing a **Form 6 Report of Member Death** upon the death of a member. The Membership & Expansion Committee will be honoring our members deceased during the last Biennium at the Spring Convention next April. We need your help to make an accurate list of honorees.

A Great Idea for Honoring Deceased Chapter Members

Pi State's Hour of Remembrance honors women who were members at the time of their death. Sometimes these women are unable to make decisions for themselves and family members take over the decision-making and financial affairs. These family members may not know how important it might be to their loved one to retain membership in DKG. The decision is made to not pay dues since the woman can no longer attend meetings or maybe even understand what is going on in her life.

Tau Chapter has built into their Standing Rules a way to keep this from happening to their long-time beloved member. The Chapter pays the State and International dues for a reserved membership, keeping this woman a member until her death at which time she can be honored at the Hour of Remembrance at Convention.

If your Chapter is interested in the wording of your Chapter's Standing Rules, you can contact **Sue Kenoyer**, Membership & Expansion Committee Chair at sue.kenoyer@charter.net for a copy of the wording used. This might be an idea you want to bring up at your next Chapter meeting.

Sue Kenoyer

Pi State Membership

(June 2, 2018)

Active	1970
Reserve	203
Chapter Honorary	47
Active Life	3



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The Executive Board accepted the recommendation of the Finance Committee to the Executive Committee to mail one issue of *Pi Lights*, the winter issue. The other three issues will be online. All issues will continue to be archived on the Pi Sate Website. Starting with the Fall 2018 *Pi Lights*, issues of quarterly publications will be available as follows:

Fall Issue – online
Winter Issue – print
Spring Issue – online
Summer Issue - online

International Convention: United States Forum Session

Austin, Texas
Friday, July 20, 2018
2:00-4:00pm



Plan to attend this important Forum session to cast your vote for the new Steering Committee and Proposed Operational Guidelines.

Information for Fall Issue of Pi Lights (online) Due September 1, 2018

E-mail articles, photographs, Chapter Initiates, member accomplishments, Chapter service projects, Area Conference information and *Pride of Pi* highlights to:

Kim Goldhirsch, teachingmom1988@gmail.com ... subject line – DKG

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