

***The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
2008 Alpha Alpha State Convention***



**Second General Session
Alumni Ballroom at the Nittany Lion Inn
State College, PA
June 14, 2009**

I. Call to Order

Alpha Alpha State President, Carolyn Sutton, called the Second General Session of the 2009 Alpha Alpha State Convention of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to order on Sunday, June 15, 2009, at 9:52 AM.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Carolyn then introduced the following members seated at the head table: Susan Stamm, Alpha Alpha State First Vice-President; Louann Shrader, Alpha Alpha State Second-Vice President; Cindy Reynolds, Alpha Alpha State Recording Secretary; Linda O'Connor, Alpha Alpha State Treasurer; Patricia Shedlock, Alpha Alpha State Corresponding Secretary; Wanda Keller, Alpha Alpha State Finance Committee Chairman; Suzanne Long, Alpha Alpha State Parliamentarian; Sallye Jean Speight, Alpha Sigma; Janet Lee Hay, Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Committee Chairman; and Dr. Lyn Schmid, Alpha Alpha State Immediate Past President and Leadership Development Chairman.

III. "Once Upon a Time" Moment

President Carolyn introduced Sallye Jean Speight, Alpha Sigma Chapter and 1998 Enrichment Grant Recipient, presented the morning's "*Once Upon a Time*" story. Sallye referred to Maya Angelou who said that we need to be a

rainbow in someone's life by adding stories and tapestries to other's lives. Examples of how members have done this are the building of a library for the children in Ethiopia and the collection of beads for the women in the village of Tanna. She said that the Delta Kappa members are the rainbows in the threads of their lives which gives hope and renews and refreshes spirits. Those present were reminded to reflect on the rainbows in their own lives.

IV. Report of the Convention Registrar

Barbara Tobias, Nu Chapter and Convention Registrar, reported that there were 189 participants at this session. President Carolyn asked everyone to put their names on their breakfast tickets for some final drawings.

V. Roll Call of Chapters

Cindy Reynolds, Beta Rho Chapter and Alpha Alpha State Recording Secretary, conducted the roll call of the chapters. Forty (40) chapters out of sixty-three (63) chapters were represented.

President Carolyn declared a quorum present for the meeting

VI. Review of the Minutes

The Alpha Alpha State Recording Secretary, Cindy Reynolds, presented the minutes of the Second General Session held on June 15, 2008, from the 2008 Alpha Alpha State Convention. The minutes had been approved by the Committee to Approve Convention minutes. Copies were available on each table. Hearing no questions on the minutes, President Carolyn declared the 2008 Alpha Alpha State Convention minutes for the Second General Session filed.

- VII.** President Carolyn named the committee to read and approve the minutes for the Second General Session of the 2009 Alpha Alpha State Convention which included: Patti Rial, Gamma; Lillian Rowland, Kappa, and Betty Grossheim, Alpha Upsilon.

VIII. Report of the Scholarship Committee

Janet Lee Hay, Alpha Delta Chapter and Chairman of the Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Committee, presented the recipients of the 2009 Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Program. She told members to imagine the stories that

will be told in 2010 by these recipients and to see what will fill their journals. Three (3) scholarships and seven (7) enrichment grants were awarded.

The following were awarded scholarships:

- ✓ Margaret J. Wolf Award—Lorraine C. Purcell, Beta Mu, will be working on her principal's certificate.
- ✓ Dr. Irene Murphy Award—Dolly B. Anderson, Sigma, will be working on her Masters in Education and then a degree in administration.
- ✓ Marian Spitzer Robling Scholarships (recipient is a first-, second-, or third-year member of the Society)—Amy Slagel, Eta, will finish her Masters in Reading and her Reading Specialist certificate.

Prior to announcing the names of those who were awarded enrichment grants, Janet Lee stated that there were eight applicants but one had to withdraw because she was going to Madagascar and the State Department has terminated travel there. The following received enrichment grants:

- ✓ Gail McFadden, Nu, will study the art and music of the Renaissance in Florence, Italy.
- ✓ Linda C. Clapper, Alpha Beta, will order hard cover books for lending library bags at her school.
- ✓ Mary C. Furlong, Omega, will judge the World Championship in Debate.
- ✓ Carole J. Smith, Omega, will participate in a 56 day bicycle ride from San Francisco and ending in New Hampshire on July 28, where she will be greeted by some of her Delta Kappa Gamma sisters.
- ✓ Sylvia Wood, Pi, will travel to the Netherlands during tulip time.
- ✓ Karen Stazer, Gamma, will attend the Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute in July, 2009.
- ✓ Patti Rial, Gamma, will also attend the Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute in July, 2009.

Janet Lee then announced that Amy M. Green, Alpha Epsilon, received an International Scholarship. She was awarded The Catherine Nutterville Scholarship for doctoral work on developing a program for students with special needs. She will be invited to attend next year's convention where she will be recognized for her scholarship.

Janet Lee then encouraged members to apply for scholarships. She expressed a concern for the number of members applying for scholarships in particular. She then thanked her committee.

IX. New Business

President Carolyn introduced Wanda Keller, Finance Committee Chairman. Wanda thanked all who had served with her as well as all of the State Presidents she had served with and then moved to adopt the 2009-2010 Alpha Alpha State Budget as printed.

Hearing no discussion on the motion, President Carolyn asked for the vote. The motion passed to adopt the budget. She thanked Wanda for her attention to the finances of the organization and appreciated the new format of the presentation which makes it more understandable.

X. Point of Personal Privilege

Ruth Glotfelty, Kappa Chapter and member of State Achievement Committee asked that the announcement of the 2009 Achievement Award be presented for inclusion in the minutes. Dr. Lyn Schmid received the 2009 award.

Sue Stamm, Lambda, Alpha Alpha State newly elected President, thanked Carolyn for her leadership throughout the past biennium. She presented her with a token of love and appreciation and an envelope with a check from Alpha Alpha State members. President Carolyn responded with her appreciation and said that the best thing for her would be to have everyone stay to sing "Weave" as an indication of how her ribbons have been woven among the members individual tapestries. She thanked Dr. Lyn, a teacher of teachers, for her help and support throughout her biennium.

XI. Other Announcements

- ✓ Red roses will be sent to the Past State Presidents not in attendance. Members volunteered to do this. Karen Stazer and Patti Rial, recipients of the enrichment grant to study in Williamsburg, will personally deliver the rose to Nancy Grove when they are in Virginia in July.

Shirley Lotz, Alpha Sigma

Nancy Grove, resides in Virginia

Polly Delaney, Alpha Rho
Carol Ulrich, Nu

- ✓ President Carolyn reminded everyone to be certain to complete her evaluation and put it into the box.
- ✓ Also, she asked everyone to complete the survey from Jensi Souders, International First Vice President, which was distributed by Dr. Irene Murphy at the Celebration Luncheon on Saturday.
- ✓ She thanked everyone, especially the convention committee members and the staff for a wonderful convention.
- ✓ Following the session, President Carolyn asked that everyone gather in genuine spiritual fellowship to sing "Weave".

XII. Passing the Gavel

President Carolyn then called Susan Stamm, Lambda, to join her at the microphone. In passing the gavel to the newly elected Alpha Alpha State President, Carolyn wished Sue well and told her to collect a biennium of stories. Her challenge to Sue was to be a storyteller and to tell the commitment and purposes of the Society as she travels to chapters across the state. Be a risk taker and work toward positive change. She told her that she has the support of a dynamic group of women who have faith in her. As a singer Sue will share her song.

President Sue thanked Carolyn and said that she was overwhelmed by the love and support from everyone. She hoped to be worthy as a servant leader to be a part of the lattice of leadership.

XIII. Adjournment

There being no further announcements, President Carolyn, Alpha Alpha State President, adjourned the 2009 Alpha Alpha State Convention of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International at 11:05 AM. Cancer survivors, Joanne Fulgenzi, Upsilon, and Florence McCabe, Tau, retired the flags. The assembly ended the convention with the singing of "Weave."

Prepared by Cindy G. Reynolds (cgr), Alpha Alpha State Recording Secretary, on June 26, 2009.

Reviewed and approved by Carolyn Sutton (cs), 2007-2009 Alpha Alpha State President on August 7, 2009.