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From the Secretary's Desk

MISSION STATEMENT

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



The September meeting of Delta Epsilon was held at Jackson High School. President Belinda Dixon called the meeting to order. There were 12 members in attendance and two guests present. The devotions, "The Fern and the Bamboo" were given by Debby Canter. In keeping with the back-to-school theme, a delicious sack lunch was served. We would like to thank Kim Lewis and the culinary students of Buckeye Hills Career Center for preparing the lunch.

Debby Canter introduced the guest, Dr. Denise Shockley from the ESC of Gallia, Jackson and Vinton counties. She gave a brief overview of the program that the ESC sponsors every summer for history teachers.

Kim Lewis introduced our speaker for the evening, J.J. Milliken, who gave a very informative talk and slide show presentation of the "Landmark Monuments Program and Presidential Libraries." He shared with us many of the sights that his group viewed this past summer. This program is designed to deepen the knowledge of American History through primary sources and contemporary historians.

The business portion of the meeting continued. The secretary's report from the April meeting was read. Margaret Bowman gave the motion to accept the minutes and Debby Canter gave the second. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

President Dixon announced that several members of the Wheelersburg chapter have expressed interest in joining our chapter. They are to be in attendance at the October meeting. She also thank the historians for the program.

An item of new business was that the new editor of *THE VOICE* for Alpha Delta State is Kim Lewis. Kim was congratulated and wished good luck in this task.

Our chapter expressed condolences for the sudden passing of State President Emily Williams.

Our next meeting will be at the Tea Caddy in Jackson on October 19, 2015.

Respectfully submitted by

Ann Davis

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WARNINGS

Last week, I received a call that could have been devastating. Fortunately, I became suspicious, and only suffered a few moments of alarm. This information may help others to avoid some pitfalls.

As I answered the telephone, the greeting was “Hello, Grandma. How are you? This is Adam.” Naturally, I was glad to hear from our grandson who lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. He explained he was not feeling well as he had a sinus infection. This would not be unusual with Adam so I inquired if he had secured a doctor in NC. He then explained that he was sorry to have to make this call to me but he needed some help. He had been to his friend Michael’s birthday party the night before and had a “couple of beers”, took his friends home in the pickup, was crowded off the road by a car resulting in an accident. The police smelled alcohol on his breath, he failed the sobriety test and he was now in the downtown jail. State Auto (his insurance) would help the driver of the car but would not help him. He could only make one 5 minute call, they had taken his cell phone and he thought I would be able to help him. My questions were: Have you called your parents? Was anyone hurt? What downtown jail? (I asked this question 3 times before being told “Charlotte”.) Finally, I began to get the “brain in gear” and transition from loving concern to practicality. Pickup truck? His vehicle is an automobile. His friend Michael lives in Georgia. I am quite sure this young man would have called his parents, not his grandparents, if he needed financial assistance. Charlotte is a bit far from Raleigh for a mid-week party. Adam is a cautious person and wouldn’t be apt to consume alcohol if he was driving. Still not knowing the actual truth, but becoming suspicious, I said I wasn’t able to help right at the moment. The caller, Adam or (?), then asked if I wanted the name and number of his court appointed lawyer as this was the only call he could make so I said “Yes.” I then tried calling his mother in Atlanta with no response. Then I called his father, who was just leaving his office to catch a plane to Seattle, told him of the “predicament” and my suspicions. He said he’d make a few phone calls. He called back shortly to assure me that everything was okay as our Adam was working from his home and was not in jail in Charlotte. I called the maternal grandmother to warn her to be on the alert if she should receive the same request. I also called our local sheriff’s office to inform them of the malicious attempt to obtain funds. The deputy said it was very difficult to catch these criminals but he did determine this call originated in British Columbia, Canada.

I have received calls (identified from Microsoft) informing me that had detected a problem with my computer. Don’t fall for this as the contaminate your computer and will then “fix: it for a fee. Microsoft does not contact you. You contact them if you need help.

Another scam is a “helpful” warning concerning electricity. You can avoid great future expense by paying upfront now before we get into the cold of winter!

WARNINGS CONT'D

A family member has received calls warning that they owe additional funds to the IRS and if they don't pay immediately they will go to jail. Rest assured, if you owe additional funds to the IRS, you won't be notified by phone! The notice will be in print and possibly by certified mail.

Just more benefits of the "golden years"!

Georgia Gillfillan

Fundraisers

The following are some ideas for fundraising:

Raffles

Indoor yard sale (where those selling their wares pay a fee for space)

Baskets

Penny sale

PUMPKIN FACTS

Pumpkins are fruits.

Pumpkins are 90% water.

Pumpkins originated in North America. North Americans used pumpkins as a staple in the diet before Pilgrims came to America.

In early colonial times, pumpkins were used as an ingredient for the crusts of pies, not the filling.

Native Americans and colonists sliced off the pumpkins' tops, removed the seeds and filled the insides with milk, spices and honey and baked them in hot ash-the origins of pumpkin pie.





PURPOSES

The purposes of Delta Epsilon Chapter shall be the seven Purposes of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and those of alpha Delta State Organization.



November meeting of Delta Epsilon Chapter

Location: Markay Theater

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Program: Auction to benefit scholarships

Each member is to bring a craft, baked goods or other items worth

\$10.00.

Come and enjoy!