

Minutes
Kappa Chapter's Initiation & Birthday Luncheon
February 16, 2013

Twenty-four members of Kappa Chapter and two special guests, Cyndy Ward and Dr. Julia Van de Water gathered at noon on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at the Third Presbyterian Church in Staunton to celebrate an initiation and the chapter's birthday.

The afternoon began with the initiation of Cyndy Ward as the newest member of Kappa Chapter. Dr. Julia Van de Water along with Anne Perdue, Scarlett Kiser, Christi Almarode and Ginny Coffey had the privilege of participating in the initiation ceremony. Immediately following the ceremony, Anne presented Cyndy with a bag of DKG "goodies". Members individually welcomed Cyndy into Kappa Chapter.

The collect was read and the response was sung. Anne thanked all who assisted in the initiation and preparation for the meeting. A delicious lunch was served by the Ladies of the Third Presbyterian Church.

After lunch, Anne introduced Dr. Van de Water who led us in singing "Happy Birthday" and then presented our program for the afternoon entitled: "What Every Member Needs to Know". Dr. Van de Water's talk focused on the mission and vision of DKG as well as presenting us with some factual information relating to DKG and a number of the benefits of membership. At the end of her informative talk, Anne presented Dr. Van de Water with a gift from the chapter for sharing her time and talents with us as well as for her service as State President.

Anne opened the business portion of our meeting. Treasurer Report: Bobbi presented the Treasurer's Report. A few paper copies were available for members to look at. The minutes for the November meeting had been sent electronically. Paper copies of the November minutes were also available. Anne asked for any changes. The incorrect spelling of Cyndy's name was mentioned and will be corrected in the November minutes. The minutes were accepted as written noting the change.

Anne spoke about our March meeting which will be our Grant-in-Aid Fund raiser. Donations from the membership will replace a specific fund raiser activity.

Instead we will have MSI Night. (Memento Scene Investigation). Each member attending the March meeting is to bring a small memento in a bag that represents something important in her life. We will then try to match mementos to the correct member. Because some organizational work needs to be done for this activity before the meeting, members are asked to RSVP and let Anne know if you plan to attend.

There was some discussion regarding the State Convention to be held in Richmond at the end of April. Each chapter has been asked to donate 2 small baskets to be raffled off at the convention for the support of the State Office. We have decided that the themes for our baskets will be "A Pancake Basket" and "A Spring / Gardening Basket". Members are asked to bring items for the baskets to the March meeting.

Members were encouraged to attend the State Convention by both Anne and Bea.

Legislative: Bea gave an update on the General Assembly proceedings and will continue to send out her legislative updates and concerns by e-mail.

Positions: Bobbi Poats volunteered to take over the vacant Vice- President's position, but would like someone to volunteer to co-chair it with her. Kim Norman requested someone volunteer to co-chair with her, since after she retires, she may be moving out of the area.

New Business: Dr. Van de Water introduced the slate of state officers for the upcoming biennium. Susan Doughty is on the slate for the position of President! A wild round of applause followed this announcement.

Scarlett made a motion for the chapter to pay one night's hotel expense for Bea, who spent legislative week in Richmond keeping us informed. The motion was passed.

Anne closed the meeting by reading a poem written by a DKG member from Texas titled Happy Birthday.

Respectfully submitted,
Ginny Coffey
Recording Secretary

