

Alpha Iota Chapter Meeting Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

December 3, 2016
Morrow United Methodist Church



Schedule

9:00	Set up for Silent Auction
9:30	Social
10:00	Business Meeting & Program
11:45	Lunch catered by Shane's Rib Shack

Meeting Agenda

Call to Order	Cheryl Goff
Roll Call	Your favorite holiday food
Inspiration	Anita Thomaston
New Member Initiation	Alpha Iota Members
Officer Reports	Debra Anderson, Treasurer
	Kathy Acree, Recording Secretary
	Martha Tolcher, Corresponding Secretary
Old Business	MyDKG (online account & profile)
	Literacy Project Committee Report
	Cindy Thompson, Chair
	Monthly Events
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New Business	Bylaws Update
Program	80 Year Founders Ceremony
	DKG Song and Christmas Carols

Dates to Remember

2016

Friday, December 9 – 5:00, Dinner at Golden Corral
7:30, Noel at First Baptist in Jonesboro

2017

Monday, January 16 – 11:00, Lunch & Tour
Magnolia House, 133 College Street, \$15.
(minimum 15)

Saturday, January 28 – Clayton County Reading Bowl

Saturday, February 4 - Chapter Meeting

Saturday, March 19 – Leadership Institute (carpool to Macon)

Sunday, March 19 – 5:00, Dinner at Rocky's or DQ
7:30, Teacher Appreciation Concert at Spivey Hall

April 28-30 – State Convention (Athens)

Saturday, May 6 – Chapter Meeting

June 2-4 – Leadership Seminar II

July 19-22 – SE Regional Conference, Myrtle Beach

Saturday, October 7 – Chapter Meeting

Saturday, December 2 – Chapter Meeting

2018

Saturday, February 3 – Chapter Meeting

Saturday, May 5 – Chapter Meeting

July 16-20 – International Convention, Austin



ALPHA IOTA MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2016

When an AI member walked into the Fellowship Hall of Morrow UMC, they saw tables decorated with candles and pine cones and the table for initiation of officers ready with roses and candles. The brunch table held a variety of goodies including donuts, muffins, fruit, tea and coffee. While AI members brunched, they visited among the various members present.

Laura Michelle Wood introduced the meeting as her last official act as president of her biennium. Laura and Cheryl called roll. Many of the ladies sent pictures or displayed memories/activities from their summer of traveling and spending time with family.

Kathy Acree had the inspiration. Then the initiation of new officers for the new biennium was held. Cathy Schrieber helped in this endeavor and all officers were present except Martha Tolcher.

AI's guest speaker was Toni Smith from GAE, a retired educator from DeKalb County who taught for 32 years. Her topic was a power point presentation on Amendment One that will be on the ballot for the November 8 election. The first slide was a plea to get registered to vote if you have not done so. Other slides showed the deceptive language of Amendment One. The OSD would have a direct role in making decisions about school finance, teachers, curriculum and instruction for failing schools - schools the OSD would take over to run as they would see fit. OSD director would be appointed by the governor. The company chose to manage these failing schools have a goal of making a profit. The local board would have to fully cooperate with this corporation. This corporation would also require private records of children be turned over to them. Louisiana, Tennessee and Michigan are states that had corporations take over failing schools and it did not work. This amendment would take away local control. The OSD could take away materials from one school and bring to another. Ms. Smith brought out there is a better way and presented an eight point plan for failing schools that would include high quality preschool, collaborative leadership, quality teaching, strong curriculum and parent and community ties.

Cheryl Goff then took over as the new president. Debra Anderson, treasurer, had membership cards ready for AI members. Debra also presented the treasurer's report that stated dues were \$70 with lunches a separate cost.

Minutes were read. Anita Thomaston made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Cindy Thompson seconded.

Cheryl gave those who attended the executive board meeting in Macon in September an opportunity to express what they had learned. Cheryl then told about her experience at

the International Delta Kappa Gamma Convention in Nashville. Bonnie asked if we have money to give to those going to an International Convention for registration.

Martha Tolcher needs to get with the Sherling family for what AI could do as a memoriam for Janet Sherling.

Anita Thomaston suggested we need to look at our by-laws for revision. Cheryl stated that at meetings a Happy Jar will be passed around to collect money for schools in Liberia.

Cheryl announced that on December 9 AI members are welcome to go to supper at Golden Corral at 5:00 pm and then attended NOEL, the Christmas program at Jonesboro First Baptist. There is a free concert at Clayton State on January 21 at 7:30 pm with supper before at Rocky's Café at 6:00 pm.

Cheryl then suggested various service projects for AI including books for a classroom library. Cindy moved that AI see about sending books to the school at Tybee and Anita seconded. Other suggestions include reading at Southlake Mall with a sister group joining us, letter writing/pen pal program with fourth or fifth grade students, create a library with books in laundromats or a doctor's office. A literacy committee of Cheryl Goff and Cindy Thompson will set up a meeting time for whoever would like to participate. Other projects would include purses with a purpose (two or three members create a purse and fill it with what a lady may need in the purse or bring a purse and sign up to bring supplies for the purse.) Clothing drive for May - business suits or dresses for those ladies who may need an outfit to go on a job interview. Cathy Schreiber made a motion and Debbie Bhanojirow seconded to continue to support the school in Liberia. Anita will contact Claudia Bowers concerning making pillowcase dresses. A big project would be to host a Delta Hostel in the spring of 2018 over a weekend with trips to Spivey Hall, Georgia Archives, Historical Jonesboro, Statelike Oaks, train depot, Confederate Cemetery. The biggest challenge would be food. It was also stated that maybe other DKG groups would be willing to help us in this endeavor. Deborah and Martha can contact other chapters.

After this business was concluded the meeting was adjourned to enjoy lunch together and distribute door prizes.

Kathy Acree, Recording Secretary

Alpha Iota
Treasurer's Report

December 3, 2016

Balance Forwarded	\$6,146.06
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Expenditures

<u>July 12, 2016</u> Ck. # 4166 - Deborah Bhanojirow	50.00
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Refund for lost check to food bank at the New Day Church of the Nazarene

October 8, 2016 Ck# 4167 - Moe's	169.56
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Catered Lunch

October 8, 2016 Ck# 4168 - Morrow United Methodist Church	100.00
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Rental Fee

Sub – Total	\$5,826.50
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Deposits

<u>September 30, 2016</u>	Dues	\$25.00
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<u>October 12, 2016</u>	Dues	1,244.00
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	Happy Jar	32.00
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Balance	\$7,127.50
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