



PITTSBURGH SOUTH HILLS *alumnae chapter*



Enjoy our 2021 Fall newsletter!

As the dog days of summer begin to wane and the brilliance of fall awaits us, we can look back at our accomplishments of the past few months and look forward to exciting times ahead! The Pittsburgh South Hills Alumnae Chapter has barely missed a beat despite the challenges that limited our ability to have in-person activities. We have plenty on the agenda for the upcoming months and hope you all can join us as we continue to thrive as one of the strongest alumnae chapters in the country!

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NEW LEADERSHIP

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takes over
as president.

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CALENDAR

List of
upcoming
events.

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FOUNDATION

Some ways to
get involved
and DO GOOD!



Pecan Sale

Raise money for the
foundation with our
annual pecan sale.



Mahj For Sight

3rd Annual Mah
Jongg Tournament
Sunday Oct 3, 2021



Pittsburgh Vision Walk

Walk or Donate for
our team's vision
walk.

New Leadership:

Lisa Sanor takes over as president and now raises anchor and guides our ship to new and exciting horizons:

I was recently elected president of this wonderful alumnae chapter, and I am thrilled to serve in this role among the outstanding officers and committee members. I am an initiate of Eta Chapter at the University of Akron. I am a resident of the North Hills and previously held the positions of VP Membership and Panhellenic Delegate for our chapter. I have also served Delta Gamma as the Regional Alumnae Specialist and the Regional Foundation Coordinator.

Our chapter was chartered in 1959 and strives to live out our Fraternity's motto to "Do Good." As president, I am proud to oversee these efforts.

For example, we support Beta Nu (Carnegie Mellon University), Epsilon Eta (Indiana University of Pennsylvania), Epsilon Delta (Washington & Jefferson College) and Alpha Xi (West Virginia University) with events and advisers. In addition, philanthropy is important to our chapter and we support the Delta Gamma Foundation, collegiate scholarships and various Western Pennsylvania charities for the vision-impaired.

Our chapter hosts two annual fundraisers: the fall pecan sale and the Mahjong for Sight Tournament. Our members also actively volunteer their time to fulfill Delta Gamma's mission of service to those who are blind or visually impaired and to the sight preservation as well as to many other causes including schools, animal shelters and organizations for children in need.

I am proud to say that under the previous presidents, the Pittsburgh South Hills Chapter has consistently been recognized by Delta Gamma for our service hours, and this year we were awarded



the Alumnae Excellence Award for exceeding expectations in the calendar year. I strive to continue this success.

Of course part of being a member of our chapter is meeting with each other not only for business but also for social events. We meet monthly from September to May, and our diverse and exciting programming offers a mixture of events. We encourage you to join us as part of one or more of our special interest groups, which include Happy Hours, Lunch Bunch and Book Club.

These groups offer a fun and easy way to get involved, meet other alumnae and expand your horizons.

I am very much looking forward to seeing you at one of our events soon!

So whether you just moved here or are a lifelong Pittsburgher, the South Hills Chapter welcomes you!

In Our Bonds,

Lisa A. Sanor

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Eta Chapter – University of Akron

President, Pittsburgh South Hills Delta Gamma Alumnae Chapter

A look back at the past few months, and a look ahead to what's coming up:

Our chapter was able to enjoy an in-person, end-of-year meeting in May, and a few of the members enjoyed "Dining in the Dark in July



at the Revival on Lincoln in Bellevue. With blindfolds on, the women had fun trying to determine what was on their plates. It was a great opportunity to learn the challenges that the sight-impaired community faces on a daily basis. (photo?) The Book Club kept pace as well. Finally, our chapter received the Alumnae Excellence Award! We all are both humbled and honored to be recognized in this way:



Do Good Week:

September 5-11 is "Do Good Week." From the Fraternity:

"This week is a time to be intentional about doing a good deed for someone else or for your community. No matter where you are, this is a great way to connect back to Delta Gamma's do good motto."

There are plenty of opportunities to "do good" not only during that week but also throughout the year. Our new Foundation VP, Kathy Rulong, reminds us that any volunteer work, with sight-related entities or otherwise, is doing good. And please remember to submit your volunteer hours to our Mary Kay Mitchell: Please send me (mkaymitchell@verizon.net) any volunteer hours you have. Anything counts. There are two categories: Service for Sight and Non Service for Sight. Delta Gamma realizes that we all volunteer in various ways, so now it all counts. That could include Meals on Wheels, visits to church members or volunteering with any 501c3 organization. Of course anything you do with "sight" is terrific. Just let me know what you do, when and how many hours. Thank you.

Calendar of Events: <https://southhillsdeltagamma.org/calendar>

September 2021

Friday, Sept. 10 | 5 p.m. Happy Hour, Over the Bar Hastings, 1595 Mayview Road

Tuesday, Sept. 14 | 6 p.m. Kick-off Meeting, at the home of Rosemary Mastrangelo, 1008 Skyline Drive, Canonsburg. Theme is Mangia, Mangia!

October 2021

Sunday, Oct. 3 | 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mahj for Sight, St. Clair Country Club

Monday, Oct. 4 | 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch, Mediterra, 292 Beverley Road

Saturday, Oct. 16 | 10 a.m. Foundation for Fighting Blindness 14th Annual Vision Walk, The Great Lawn at Heinz Field

Tuesday, Oct. 19 Friendly competition with the Kappa Alpha Thetas at Top Golf

Tuesday, Oct. 26 | 7:30 p.m. Book Club (Malibu Rising-Taylor Jenkins Reid) Can be via Zoom or in person. Time TBA.

NOVEMBER 2021

Thursday, Nov. 4 | 7 p.m. A night with Taylor Jenkins Reid, Peters Township High School. Tickets go on sale Sept. 10.

Friday, Nov. 5 | Blue jeans, Bourbon and Bingo, hosted by Blind and Vision Rehab Services, PNC Champions Club, Heinz Field, Time TBA

Friday, Nov. 12 | 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch, Pabellon, 2957 Banksville Road

Tuesday, Nov. 30, Book Club, (The Gilded Ones-Namina Forna), via Zoom or in person. Time TBA

DECEMBER 2021

Thursday, Dec. 2 | 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch, The Steeping Leaf, 536 Millers Run Road

Nationality Room Exhibit, Pitt Cathedral of Learning followed by lunch, Spirits and Tales, 5130 Bigelow Blvd. Details TBA

JANUARY 2022

Wednesday, Jan. 12, Book Club, (The Paris Library-Janet Charles), via Zoom or in person. Time TBA

Thursday, Jan. 13, 7 p.m. Board meeting, Market District Express Café, 2840 Washington Road

Saturday, Jan. 22, "Souper Bowl" hosted by Frances Scher, 1025 Tall Trees Drive (Bring a chili or soup.)

Needless to say, some adjustments may be necessary as we move forward. Always check our website and Facebook page for any and all updates to events.

An Opportunity to Volunteer:

From Foundation VP Kathy Rulong:

Six to eight Table Hostesses are needed for a luncheon on Thursday, Dec. 2, 2021, at the Butler Country Club, to benefit the Foundation Fighting Blindness. The time commitment is approximately from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. (You do not need to be a Delta Gamma alum to volunteer for this activity, so you can bring along a family member or friend!)

If you are able to help, please contact me, ***krulong51@gmail.com***, and I will provide additional information. Thanks!!

And Another Opportunity...



Upcoming is the annual Vision Walk, which will be in person this year, Oct. 16, at Heinz Field. If you can't be there, you can make a donation. Here's the link:

<https://give.fightingblindness.org/team/369071>

Info From Mary Kay:



Box Tops Delta Gamma is no longer collecting Box Tops. Thank you for previous donations. I'm sure your children's/grandchildren's schools will be thrilled to have them.

Awards Award nominations are now being considered. Alumnae Awards are the Hope Award, the Cable Award, The Loyalty Award, The Anchor Award, The Oxford Award, The Shield Award and the Rose Award. Descriptions of these can be found on the Delta Gamma website in the Library. Send questions and/or nominations to ***mkaymitchell@verzon.net***

A link to view more info about the awards above can be seen here: ***<https://s3.amazonaws.com/dg-library/Individual-Alumnae-Award-Brief-Descriptions.pdf>***

Lunch Bunch As noted in the Calendar of Events, after a hiatus because of the pandemic, Elaine and I are happy to be hosting Lunch Bunch again for anyone who is available for lunch at different spots around the area. We have found a fun tea place for December, and we will try the fall dates. See the above- mentioned Calendar for the details! -Mary Kay Mitchell-

Member Spotlight:

Penny Hunt

We all know Delta Gamma is a lifelong sisterhood. But why do some DGs choose to continue on in alumnae groups? Let's ask one of our longtime members, as we look into the DG life of Penny Hunt, who has been a DG for 62 years!



Penny Hunt knew nothing about sorority as a student at Denison in Ohio, but she quickly found out that 90 percent of the women there “went sorority rush.” She looked at it as an opportunity to meet upperclass women,

so why not? And sure enough, Penny got a bid from Delta Gamma and accepted. So in 1959, Penny became a sister in the Beta Zeta chapter of DG. What about after graduation? Was she finished with sorority life? “I had no future thoughts about continuing involvement after graduation,” Penny said. “Surprise.”

A few years after leaving college, Penny got a call from a local alum inviting her to a meeting of the South Hills Alumnae Chapter, and she has never looked back. Penny truly liked the women in the chapter and also enjoyed doing the volunteer work, plus someone from the chapter always kept in touch with her. She believes there are many advantages to being a part of an alumnae group, including meeting new women, the common ties they have despite different backgrounds and moving on with them “into new interests and camaraderie.”



What would Penny say to a DG sister considering joining the South Hills Alumnae Chapter?

“Try it. You’ll like it!”

Don't Forget to:

Pay Your Dues!

For local dues:



https://www.memberplanet.com/s/pittsburghsouthhillsalumnaechapter/localdues_2021_2022

Blue: \$30 (General membership)

Pink: \$50 (Recognition at Founders Day and general membership)

Bronze: \$100 (Complimentary Founders Day ticket, recognition at Founders Day and general membership)

Or send a check to:

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Oakdale, PA 15071

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Website:

<https://southhillsdeltagamma.org>

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Or contact us at:

<https://southhillsdeltagamma.org/contact>

*When we joined Delta Gamma
we committed to lifelong
membership.*