

Minutes for November 20, 2003

Meeting was held at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center. There were 24 members present. Meeting called to order by President Judi Fisher at 4:45 p.m.

Guest presenter Susan Bresler told us about Seedlings- Braille Books for Children. Seedlings have translated about 165,000 books into Braille for blind children. Books are available for families of blind children at a reasonable price. Seedlings not only help blind children read, but they enable families to read together. This is the only company that produces Braille strips for preschool books. There are many volunteers who work for Seedlings. If interested in volunteering to translate books into Braille, call Sue Bresler at Seedlings in Livonia (734) 427-8552 or E-mail: seedlink@aol.com.

New Business: New members who were initiated are: Dr. Cindy Swift, Karen Dodds, Nancy Chiasson, Laura Oliver and Amy Wainwright. Missing were Tracy Vaughn and Chris Morin who will have to be initiated in January. New members were welcomed by Delta Kappa Gamma members after dinner.

Old Business: 26 quilts and 45 scarves were completed for the residents of the Wayne County Family Center. Grace and Judi will deliver them to the shelter.

Calendar:

- December 10 (4:30)– Hayes for Executive Board
- January 28, 2004 (4:30)- Meet at 12 Oaks at Build-a-Bear
- February 18, 2004—Chef Larry Janes at Hayes for a cooking demonstration.
- March 24, 2004 Reading month activities- Elliott School. We need more control in the rooms after dinner. We also need something for parents to do as well as activities for older students. Need books, magazines and comic books donated.
- April 30, May 1 and May 2, 2004 State Convention in Kalamazoo. Information is in the Wolverine and in the newsletter.
- July 27-31, 2004 International Convention in Minneapolis, Diamond Jubilee. The Society is looking for people who play instruments or sing at the convention.

Yearbook: We are going digital! Colleen Retherford took pictures of members present at the November meeting. If you didn't have your picture taken, there won't be a picture of you in the yearbook.

News: Cindy Dietz had a detached retina in one eye and a tear in her other eye. She had to have eye surgery.

Minutes from Executive Board December 10, 2003

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Judi Fisher at Hayes Elementary. Nine members were present.

We began by filling out bi-annual forms for Delta Kappa Gamma.

The slate for 2004-2006 was presented:

- President: Judi Fisher
- First Vice-President: Lynne Elsesser
- Second Vice-President: Marie Canzoneri
- Recording Secretary: Chris Smith
- Corresponding Secretary: Jackie Smart
- Treasurer: Cindy Dietz

Motion by Barbara Broadly (seconded by Mary Jo Dreffs): to accept the slate. Motion passed.

International Convention '75th Anniversary'

July 27 to August 2, 2004 in Minneapolis. We are encouraging members to attend. They are looking for musicians to play for this event. See "International Dates" below for further information.

Motion by Barb B. (seconded by Mary Jo) that \$100 be given in February to the World Fellowship Recipient: Annah Molosiwa by Valentine's Day. Motion passed. Bring a card or note of encouragement to the January meeting for Annah and her family so World Fellowship can forward it for you.

Motion by Marie (seconded by Barb): ΔΚΓ Society ribbons for holding pins: 10 will be ordered for new members for past 2 years. Motion passed. After this new members automatically get ribbons when they join. Cindy will ask in January if any other members want to purchase a ribbon, too. Ribbons cost \$10.

January 28, 2004: Twelve Oaks Shopping Center. We will be building bears for the dialysis unit and its sick children. Details need to be finalized. Please let Lynne Elsesser know if you will be attending the meeting.

February 18th meeting: Will be at Hayes School at 4:30 with Chef Larry Janes. People who will be attending will be asked for \$5.00 to go towards food for the presentation. This will be collected at the January meeting or it can be sent to Cindy. We will also be giving Larry an honorarium for his time.

Motion by Barb (seconded by Mary Jo) that \$50.00 be donated to Seedlings. Motion passed. We received a very nice thank you note from Seedlings.

March 24, 2004 meeting will be at Elliott School for Reading Month. Details will be coming.

May 22, 2004- Metro Council Meeting will be at Holiday Inn by Laurel Park. The cost will be \$24 for the American Harvest Buffet. We hope charter members and many others will attend.

April 21, 2004 At the Birthday dinner we will be signing up people for committees for next year. Details TBA.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Smith, Recording Secretary