

ADK Delta Chapter September Meeting Minutes September 12, 2023

Delta Chapter held its first meeting of the year at Purple Goat at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, September 12, 2023. Social time was enjoyed. Co-Presidents Jean Murphy and Helen Duff called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm with a warm welcome and thanks to the September Committee (Diane, Carol, Jan B).

Attending: 21 members

Inspiration: Chaplain Mary L-J was unable to attend. Stepping in for her, Helen shared messages from the MN ADK Newsletter that was shared with us via email from Jean M. Please note the new 2023-2025 logo. Helen also read the information about October Founder's Day and suggested that perhaps we should do a billboard for ADK!!

News to Share: **Lisa P** is now teaching first grade Spanish Immersion in Pine Island. So fun that she is now available to attend our meetings!

Condolences to **Marlene** on the untimely death of her daughter-in-law, Kara.

Update from **Carolyn**: "I will not be able to attend the September meeting. Please thank my ADK sisters for thinking of John and myself. The cards with and the special messages have been greatly appreciated and needed. John gets 4 hours of therapy each day plus an hour on Saturdays and Sundays. He is getting stronger but no movement on his left side. He is very alert and speech is normal. ADK Love, Carolyn"

Jean O shared that **Marnie** has been sick all summer. While having a tooth worked on at the dentist, an accidental cut was made and has caused extensive problems since. Please keep her in your prayers.

Nancy talked with Irene and Diane reporting that she is not in shape to attend the meeting. Since having Covid in February, she said her legs won't carry her anymore which is discouraging. She will be 92 years old in a few weeks and has decided to stop driving on October 16 and to sell her car. "I'm not old, but my car is too old."

Irene's sister (Helen Gritzner) died on August 5th. Condolences to her and all of the family.

Mary G shared that **Chris Guy** died. While she was not an ADK member, she had a big impact on many ADK teachers.

Message from **Mary L-J**: "I'm sorry but will miss tomorrow's meeting out of an abundance of caution. I've had a very runny nose for the past few days, and though my home COVID test was negative, I'm scheduled for hip surgery on 9-19 and think it's best to just lay low until then. Please let me know of any of our members who are ill or might otherwise require a note, card or gift from our ADK group. Getting together after the summer break should be a lot of fun for everyone. Assuming all goes well, I look forward to the October meeting!"

Directory Update: Lynne passed out membership data forms to update our Membership Directory. They were collected from those in attendance. Julie was planning to also take new pictures of all in attendance. Please be on the lookout for a new plan in that regard.

Reports:

Treasurer: Irene and Renee A-P reported the following data:

Present Balances: <i>Checking</i>	\$1936.39
	<u>-458.82</u> (Gift of Life)
	\$1450.57

<i>Savings</i>	\$1088.35
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<i>Scholarship</i>	\$ 859.36 (Includes \$100 memorial gifts for Kara Mensink and Helen Gritzner given by Diane, Lisa B, and Irene.)
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Irene also reviewed the proposed budget for 2023-2024. She noted highlights. Received. Copies were passed out. If you have any questions, please contact Irene or Renee A-P.

Irene collected dues from those ready to pay tonight. International dues can be paid online but if you wish to keep it simple and help Irene, pay \$71 to her for International, State, and Local dues anytime between now and December 15.

Altruistic: Lisa B collected donations for Join the Journey (breast cancer). **Lisa's address is 5718 25th Ave NW, Rochester, MN 55901**, in case you would still like to donate. She reported that **\$350.00** was collected at the meeting. Lisa B noted the change of our March and April projects—just switched months so that we can be in the current year with Gift of Life donations instead of always carrying an amount over each year. Lisa B also thanked everyone for all that they do on behalf of ADK with donations and service.

Correspondence: Renee P shared the book *Bedtime Blues* written by Julie Koskta, daughter of former ADK Delta member, Carol Koskta. Julie received a scholarship from us twenty-some years ago and is now a seventh-grade reading teacher in Daytona Beach, Florida. The donated book will be placed in one of our elementary libraries. You may obtain a copy for under \$5.00 by ordering *Bedtime Blues* on Amazon. If you need the ISBN, it is 9781733298018. Renee also shared a thank-you letter from Helen for her Sapphire Sister celebration gifts.

Recording Secretary: Please do not hesitate to send corrections and/or additions to Diane. Minutes are distributed via email to all members.

Membership: Please extend invitations to potential new members for our October meeting. We presently have 36 members, 33 of which are active members. We would like to add to our membership, especially active younger members. Who can you invite to our October meeting? A new-member brochure was discussed and Ruth has a draft of one that will be shared soon.

Historian/Website: No report.

Fraternity Education: Renee P and Ruth talked about membership expectations. First, create an account with International ADK. Check the website for your user name and other data, the password may be ADK2022!. Call Ruth if you need help. Update your personal information if needed. An important goal for this year is to wear your badge to meetings. Ruth flashed her badge and admitted that she has not done well on this requirement of ADK membership. Check the latest Kappan on page 19 and read "Always Over the Heart."

New Business: Ways and Means/Fundraising was discussed and decided that it was not needed right now.

The next Regional meeting will be held in Des Moines next summer. See details in state president's letter.

Setting goals for this year: Suggested: (1) Wear your pin or pay a fine! (2) Increase membership. (3) Improve attendance at meetings.

Reminder: On the monthly committee calendar, it's the second person listed for each month that is this year's chairperson.

Congratulations to our door prize (mum plant) winner, Renee A-P!!

Next Meeting: Watch for an invitation from the October Committee (Marlene, Marnie, Janet, Katie).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm with the monthly committee groups meeting to plan with their groups.

Respectfully submitted,
s/ Diane Kinneberg