

## **ADK Delta Chapter September Meeting Minutes September 8, 2020**

Delta Chapter held its first meeting of the year on Zoom at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Co-President Joanne Swenson called the meeting to order with a welcome to all and a thank you for attending our first online meeting.

**Attending:** 25 members

Chaplain Jodi shared a poem entitled "Oasis" by Janice Windle. It was especially fitting as we begin a new year during a pandemic and as we focus on our September Altruistic project, Join the Journey. (You can find a copy of the poem in your email.)

**Installation of Officers** was conducted by Marlene. (Typically, this would have been done at the May meeting; however, we were unable to meet due to the Covid pandemic.)

**Thank you gifts** were presented by Joanne to our Immediate-Past-Presidents Jane and Helen. They opened their gifts of beautiful crystal vases. Jane and Helen thanked all the officers that served with them the past two years and shared their gifts of hand-made (by Jane) monogrammed note cards.

### **Reports:**

**Correspondence:** Renee Putnam shared two thank-you letters: 1) Diane Kinneberg thanking for the \$20 Amazon gift card sent to her when she had knee replacement surgery on August 17, and 2) Ruth Ann Morgan for the sympathy support she received from Delta and its members when her husband Mike died. Joanne shared a note from State President Marie Gibbons congratulating Delta on 68 years of being a chapter in ADK.

**Recording Secretary:** Please let Diane know if you find errors or omissions when you read the minutes. She welcomes your feedback.

**Treasurer:** Irene reviewed the financial report and the proposed budget for this year. She noted that we have transferred \$500 from Savings to Checking due to the previous low balance. She shared that the Executive Board recommends that we do a collection for the October book project (Guinness World Book of Records for the public school libraries) in order to preserve the \$240 in our budget. Discussion was held; a motion made by Renee A-P, seconded by Lisa P, and passed by the members to collect donations for the October Altruistic Book Project. Next, there was a discussion on our scholarship funds. The Executive Board recommended considering awarding scholarships to our active Delta members as the challenges of this school year are great. After much discussion, a motion was made by Jean M, seconded by Carol, and passed by the members to offer our nine actively teaching members a scholarship using \$500 of our scholarship fund. Details will be forthcoming from the Scholarship Committee to our recipients. Dues are \$71 for next year and can be mailed to Irene anytime. See her address below. Please write your check to MN ADK Delta Chapter.

Present Balances: *Checking* \$1081.77  
*Savings* \$1,084.80  
*Scholarship* \$909.53

**Irene Blohm**  
**2911 Fremont Ct. SW**  
**Rochester, MN 55902**

**Altruistic:** Lisa B reported that \$315.00 had been sent to her for Running Start in May. She thanked all members for their generous support of our altruistic projects. This month's project is **Join the Journey** which is a breast cancer fundraiser which supports all women who experience breast cancer with a helpful book and gas cards. The annual walk is being held on September 20. Lisa requested that you send your donation to her by Monday, September 14, if possible. Write your check to Join the Journey and mail to:

**Lisa Bolin  
5718 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW  
Rochester, MN 55901**

You may want to also send a check for the October book project at the same time. That check should be made out to MN ADK Delta Chapter as Lisa will be giving that donation to Irene for deposit in our checking as Irene will write a check to Chi Chapter for the books.

**Membership:** No report.

**Historian:** No report.

**Fraternity Education:** None

**Yearbook and Webpage:** Pat J provided an update on the website. She and Joanne have been working on the new yearbook which she projected would be ready by mid-October. It was suggested that many members would be agreeable to receiving an electronic copy instead of a hard copy; thereby, saving printing and mailing costs. There would also be the benefit of always having it on your computer. Also, most would be able to print their own copy.

**Other Business:** None

**Celebrations:** Diane became a Sapphire Sister (35 years) in January. Helen presented the certificate and Jane presented a beautiful mum plant. Jean M and Carolyn offered tributes. Irene became a Diamond Sister (60 years) in March. Helen presented the certificate and Jane presented a beautiful mum plant. Nancy and Jeanette (via email) offered a tribute. Congratulations!!

**News to Share:** Jan Fitzpatrick no longer has computer access. Please stay in touch with her via mail or telephone (call only after 3:00 pm). Carolyn and her husband John are still in Chicago helping their daughter who is hoping to avoid surgery on her foot. Condolences were shared with Lisa B whose brother recently died, Irene whose brother recently died, Carol whose brother recently died, Fay whose mother recently died, and Julie whose father-in-law and mother-in-law recently died.

**Next Meeting:** The October Committee (Marlene, Mary L-J, Janet, Nancy) are in charge since Alpha Upsilon will not be hosting the annual Founder's Day event. (Alpha Upsilon have volunteered to host next year.) It was decided to hold a Zoom meeting on the first Tuesday, October 6. More details will come from the October committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm with Helen singing of *Lamp of ADK*.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Diane Kinneberg