

# AU NEWS

## Purposeful Seminar

Barbara Gasperini and her committee are busy at work planning DKG's Purposeful Seminar which will be held in Pittsburgh this year September 23-25. The theme is "Pride of Pittsburgh" and the committee has planned an outstanding weekend of fellowship, fun, culture, and history. Mark your calendar now and make your reservations at the Monroeville Doubletree for a spectacular fall weekend in the Burgh. Stay tuned for more details.

## Get Involved

Vice President Sally Coyne is planning her executive board for her coming biennium. Consider joining Sally for the next two years. She is looking for committee chairs as well as a newsletter editor. "Volunteers don't necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." Share your heart with AU.

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

**March 19, 2015**

### Did You Know?

Four of our own 'teachers' will show us how to:

*Design zentangles*

*Garden with straw bales--anywhere*

*Create gourd art*

*Explore scrap-booking and card making*

**May 14, 2016**

Author Katie Schell and her mother, the subject of her book, will be here to talk about this amazing story of a Korean War bride.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

March 19-General Meeting at HCCC at 10:00

May 2-Executive Board Meeting at King's Restaurant Lower Burrell at 4:00

May 14-General Meeting at Hill Crest Country Club at 10:00

June 10-12-Alpha Alpha State Convention in State College

July 5-8-DKG International Convention in Nashville

September 23-25-

Purposeful Seminar at the Doubletree in Monroeville

## DKG BOOK CLUB

Book Club continues to meet the third Wednesday of the month at 4:00 at the Starbucks next to Lowe's at the Mills. Here are the recent titles for discussion:

January-The Girl in the Spider's Web by Lagercrantz

February-The Nightingale- by Hannah

March-Everything I Never Told You- by Celeste Ng

---Mary Beth Yeamans

## Grant in Aid News

Co-chairs, Shelley Nicholas and Lois Troiano met on February 8th to assemble the packets of scholarship information and applications for the eight school districts representing the Alpha Upsilon membership. The packets were mailed on February 9th. The applicants must return their completed forms by April 15th. The entire committee will meet on April 20 to choose the recipient, giving time for notification and commitment to attend the May 14th meeting.

---Shelley Nicholas

### **Membership Committee News---Tricia Cavanaugh**

Recommendations for membership are accepted anytime during the year. The form can be downloaded from the website [dkgpau.weebly.com](http://dkgpau.weebly.com) or contact Tricia Cavanaugh at [tcav15068@yahoo.com](mailto:tcav15068@yahoo.com). Please send the completed recommendation to Tricia Cavanaugh, 230 Pearl Dr, Lower Burrell PA 15068.

Currently our chapter has 61 members: 47 Active, 10 Senior Active, 3 Reserve, 1 Honorary

### **REFLECTIONS FROM AU'S PRESIDENT KATHY VARANO**



They say "Time flies when you're having fun" and as you get older "Time flies even faster"! As I come to the end of my biennium and think back on all the accomplishments (donations, projects, socials, outings, programs, etc.) we made, I understand the reason why it went so fast. It was with YOUR help that made it so much fun!

Past Presidents – Thank you for giving me your support, guidance, and advice. When I had a question, you were always willing to help me. Without this unfailing support, I don't know how I would have figured out what to do!

Officers and the executive board – You stepped up and made my job so much easier. Anything I needed help with, you volunteered and got it done. You attended the executive board meetings and helped me plan a smooth-flowing general membership meeting. I trusted you to do your job, and you did it magnificently!

Members of Alpha Upsilon – Without you, we wouldn't have a chapter! Thank you for attending the meetings, donating your time and money to our projects, and, especially, your enthusiasm and encouragement motivating me during my presidency. Thank you for a great biennium!

Alpha Upsilon is a very strong, unified chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma and I'm proud to be part of this organization. We all have worked together to make it something to be proud of,