

I'm not sure about you, but after that scorcher of a summer, I'm having trouble remembering to bring a jacket with me on outings! I can't believe the bean fields are turning already. Summer passed so quickly this year. My grandmother once told me "The older one gets, the quicker time passes". I now understand...so true! Those of you still teaching, I hope your school year has started off on a successful note!

It was so good to see everyone at our September meeting! I want to thank our DKG sister, Marily Schwietzer, for an awesome program of cardmaking. Such a fun and relaxing evening! She is one talented lady! (But I'm sure most of you already knew that!)

Our October speaker will be Tricia Anderson of Samaritan Works. If you're unfamiliar with Samaritan Works, it's a program in Shelby County that provides safe and supportive living for men and women who are overcoming addiction. I'll let Tricia fill you in on the rest of their story.

Lastly, I'd like to remind everyone that our Culver's fundraising event is on September 23, 5-8 PM. If you're unable to work, please consider eating your dinner there that evening to support our group. I'm sure we'll have a few minutes to visit while you're there!

Thought of the month:

By all these lovely tokens, September days are here. With summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer. ~Helen Hunt Jackson

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Beta Kappa Chapter Minutes September 8, 2025

Beta Kappa Chapter President Melissa Bowers welcomed 34 members to the first meeting of 2025-2026.

Sister Ginny Scherer gave the invocation. Melissa thanked the hostesses, Tracy Hall, chair; Kris Frazier, Vicki Quinter, Evonne Schnippel, Sister Ginny Scherer, Bonnie Banks, Ernestine Daugherty, and Pat Mullen.

There were no additions or corrections to the May 5, 2025, minutes, and they are approved.

Kim Jordan gave the treasurer's report. We have \$5,951.76 in checking. The designated amount for the Scholarship Fund is \$1,016.00 as of August 31, 2025, which is included in the checking account balance. The treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee: Helen Ward shared the proposed budget for 2025-2026. The Finance Committee recommend that we approve the 2025-2026 Proposed Budget. The motion passed

Dr Molly Helmlinger and Cathy Tenney both shared a few highlights from the DKG International Conference that was held New Orleans this summer.

All members are strongly encouraged to read monthly *The Voice* as well as the *Beta Kappa Chatter*.

All members are asked to read The Essay by Robin Yocum who will be our guest at the February 2, 2026 meeting which we will be inviting Alpha Upsilon (Miami County Chapter) and Beta Upsilon (Auglaize/Mercer County Chapter) to attend.

The OHSO Fall Executive Board meeting is September 27, in Dublin, Ohio. Molly, Cathy, Melissa and Kim will be attending. Others are welcome to attend.

Julie Willoughby, Vice President, shared that the Culver's Fundraiser will be Tuesday, September 23.

Congratulations to Nancy Russell on her "Best of Show" win at the Shelby County Fair for the guilt she made.

Birthdays

Members Mary Lou Holly, Nancy Nolan, Beth Riddle, Nancy Russell, Kay Straman and Evonne Schnippel, with September birthday were recognized.

Concerns/Praises: Bonnie Banks was recently in the hospital as was Ernestine Daugherty. Ernestine received great news that she is now cancer free!

Door prizes were awarded.

The next meeting is October 6, 2025, in the Amos Memorial Library-Community Room. The hostess committee for October is Kay Borchers, Chair; Karen Fahrer, Greeter; Kay Miller, Invocation; Deb Cummons-Parker, Cheryl Michael, and Connie Schneider. Reminder, the hostess checklist is the last page of your program book.

The meeting was adjourned.

Cathy Tenney, Recording Secretary

October 6, 2025 - 6:00 p.m.
Amos Memorial Library-Community Rm
Catered by Jane's Girls \$14
Reservations are Due Monday, September 22

Program: Tricia Anderson, Samaritan Works
Business Meeting

Hostesses: Kay Borchers, Chair Karen Fahrer, Greeter Kay Miller, Invocation Deb Cummons-Parker, Cheryl Michael, Connie Schneider



September Nancy Nolan 9/3October Evonne Schnippel 9/17 Regina Hunsucker 10/10 Mary Lou Holly 9/21 Kathy DeVelvís 10/16 9/22 Kay Straman Becky Michael 10/16 9/26 Nancy Russell Beth Riddle 9/30

On Tuesday, September 23, Beta Kappa Chapter will be working at Culver's to raise money for our Early Career Grants and Grants-in-Aid. This will be the second year for this fundraiser, and we need your help and support. We will be working from 5 to 8 p.m., delivering food to the tables and cars as well as bussing tables. Be sure to come between 5 and 8 p.m. to eat and support our Early Career Grants and Grants-in-Aid for junior and senior female education majors from Shelby County.



MAKE YOUR Meal Matter

TUESDAY • SEPTEMBER 23 • 5-8PM

Join us in supporting Beta Kappa-Delta Kappa Gamma at Culver's in Sidney. A portion of all sales between 5-8pm will be donated.

There's no limit to how much heart you can put into the community. Enjoy a delicious meal, benefit a great cause, and feel good all over. Thank you for your support of Beta Kappa-Delta Kappa Gamma.



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