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*Omega Chapter Meeting*

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**April 14, 2015**

NY Wine & Culinary Center, Canandaigua, NY

*Promoting Purposes ~ Biennium Theme*

**Social Time:** 5:00-5:35pm

**Welcome & Celebration:** President Mary-Martha Harvey welcomed all 108 members of our Tri-Chapter Meeting “*Updates for Educators.*” Mary-Martha introduced *Alpha Tau* President Laura Tantillo and *Beta Delta* President Dee Katovitch. APPR Forms for this evening are available from Chapter Presidents. Donations for the *Pi State Awards Benefit Tickets* were collected at registration and during the meeting. Mary-Martha thanked our *Omega* Hostess Committee for all their work and asked them to stand: Co-Chairs Katja Stevens and Karen Varricchio and Committee Members Christine Bennett (Registrar for *Omega*), Kathy Eckler, Mary King, Lois Ludwig, Amy Monachino, June Renner and Mary-Martha Harvey (Registrar for *Alpha Tau* and *Beta Delta*). Mary Cherniss was thanked for the programs for the evening. Mary-Martha announced that Adelle Miller-Wadsworth and her World Fellowship Committee have a display table for *Omega* 2-yr Project, “*Jewels for Schools*” for DKG International *Schools for Africa*. Mary King and her *Omega* Membership Committee have displayed the first “*Members of the Month*” poster. *Omega* member, Jacqueline Johnson will have her book, “*The Guest House: A Journey of Discovery through Cancer,*” for sale and signing at the Registration table at the conclusion of the dinner.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Sharyn Powell led the pledge.

**Song of Welcome:** Sharyn Powell led the *Song of Welcome*.

**“Updates for Educators” Program:** Mary Cherniss, *Omega* First Vice President, introduced the Panel for this evening program: **Erica Hasselstrom**, Director Whitman Resource Center, Marcus Whitman CSD

**Dr. Ryan Pacatte**, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction & Student Learning, Palmyra-Macedon CSD

**Kerry Smartt**, Special Education Teacher, Phelps-Clifton Springs CSD

**Dinner:** 6:30-7:30pm

**Introduction of Guests:** Amy Zimmerman, *Alpha Tau*, introduced her guest, Jennifer Lester. Adelle Miller-Wadsworth, *Omega*, introduced her guest, Kristin Laurence.

**Blessing:** Jan Astles

**Announcements:** 8:00pm Mary-Martha thanked our panelists and announced that we would share the DKG Song after which *Apha Tau* and *Omega* would hold their Business Meetings.

**The DKG Song:** Sharyn Powell led *The Delta Kappa Gamma Song*.

**Business Meeting:**

**Call to Order:** The Business Meeting was called to order by President Mary-Martha Harvey at 8:15pm. Due to the lateness of the evening, Mary-Martha dispensed with the traditional Agenda and noted that the Secretary’s Report and Correspondence, Treasurer’s Report and Standing Committees Reports would be presented at the May Meeting. She appointed Judy Kiehle as Chair of Ad Hoc Committee on Philanthropy.

**Roll Call:** Mary King reported 37 members present and 3 guests.

**Membership:** Mary King requested members read the membership report in the last *Omega* Newsletter, think about possible members who could be invited to attend upcoming meetings and to have New Membership Recommendation forms to her by the June Meeting.

**Announcements:** Mary-Martha reminded everyone about due dates: May 1<sup>st</sup> for additions/revisions for the *Omega Chapter Standing Rules* and Member Retirements to Mary-Martha; May 1<sup>st</sup> for ideas for organizations and descriptions for Chapter Philanthropy to Judy Kiehle; June 9<sup>th</sup> for “*Member of the Month*” forms and *New Member Recommendation Forms* to Mary King.

**Adjournment:** President Mary-Martha Harvey adjointed the meeting at 8:30pm.

**Dates to Remember:**

- May 12, 2015** ~ **Omega Chapter Meeting**  
**Our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
Founders' Day Ceremony and "*Celebrating the Arts – High School Musicals*"  
Trinity Episcopal Church, Geneva
- June 9, 2015** ~ **Omega Chapter Meeting**  
Tour of Rose Garden, Tour of Mansion and Tram Ride  
**"Celebrating Omega"**  
Sonnenberg Gardens, Canandaigua

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary S. Shelley, *Omega* Secretary