Delta Kappa Gamma Epsilon Chapter President's Newsletter December 2024

"Looking Back and Moving Forward" is the theme for our 2025 state convention. This seems to be the right tone for my end-of-the-year President's Newsletter. We have honored two fifty-year members, Myrtle Hyman and Sheryl Mayes, and added two new members, Dina Hyman and Hene Waterbury.

On May 4 we joined sister chapter Gamma to celebrate our founders with a lovely high tea at Queen of Hearts tea room. On May 6 we held our delayed election of officers and elected Penny Thompson, president; Carolyn O'Mara, first vice president, and Emily Ladner, secretary. Judy Merz was appointed treasurer.

May 31 we received word our past co-president Barbara Bernstein had passed away.

September 21 the new officers were installed and they inducted Dina Hyman, who is now our Parliamentarian. Jennifer Neeman was awarded Epsilon's Apple Award. Judy Merz shared highlights from the International Convention in Maryland.

In October we toured the Assistance League and heard about their many programs. We were especially interested in Operation School Bell which gives new clothes and shoes to needy elementary school children in Clark County.

Our December meeting was a Holiday Party Potluck with wonderful food, games, and a gift exchange. We held the induction ceremony for Hene Waterbury. Wishing to celebrate the season of giving, we collected socks and underwear for the children at Robert Taylor elementary school.

Penny and Judy have been representing Epsilon at five ZOOM meeting to help plan our state convention April 25-26. Differing from past years, instead of one or two chapters being responsible for the entire convention, each chapter was given designated responsibilities. Our chapter's responsibilities include designing registration and evaluation forms. Dina Hyman has been an invaluable member of this committee. We will receive these forms as people register, accept payments, etc., so some work is done, but there's more ahead.

So, as we end the year, I wish everyone a joyful Christmas and Hanukkah, and a health, safe, and prosperous New Year.

Your president,

Penny Thompson