

DELEGATE'S REPORT
Pennsylvania Division Meeting
Valley Forge, PA
May 13 – 15, 2005

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2002

"See With New Eyes" – Andrew Steed, President – Role Play Foundation USA

This year's PA Division Meeting began with a terrific seminar by Andrew Steed about looking at life from a different perspective and remembering to tell the history and her-story. Mr. Steed certainly gave meaning to PA Division President Ginny Deily CPS's theme with his very inspiring presentation.

NOR'EASTER

Northeast District Director Linda Lorden CPS conducted a team building exercise, "Stepping Stones to Leadership and Building an Exceptional Team." This exercise taught all members to be team players, and the benefits of following a leader. This exercise was not only fun, but educational, and I would like to see our chapter repeat this exercise at a chapter meeting.

OPEN HOUSE

We prepared for the Open House Luau by donning grass skirts and lei's and heading out for the Tropical Buffet. The evening included a beautiful hula demonstration and hula lessons for all who were brave enough to get on the dance floor. Everyone joined in the fun, including the costume contest. The evening was a big success!

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2002

Saturday began with the Delegates and Alternates Briefing at 8:00 a.m. and the Opening Session at 8:30. The meeting was called to order by PA Division President Virginia A. Deily CPS. The moment of reflection was conducted by Alice Ivers CPS of the Bucks County Chapter, and the National Anthem was sung by Tanya Fuhrmeister.

The Keynote Address was given by Barbara Meyer Darlin, who conducted a wonderful presentation on "The Gibson Girl Friday". We learned about the lives of the first female office professionals, the Victorian "typewriters" and their stay-at home counterparts.

Following Ms. Darlin's presentation, the meeting continued with the Roll Call of Chapters, the Report of Registration and the Credentials Report. There were a total of 127 registered for the conference.

After all Committee Reports were given, the Candidates for Division Offices were introduced and voted on. The Declaration of Duly Elected Officers for 2005-2006 were as follows:

President – Kathryn O'Connor CAP
President-Elect – Dawn Hall CAP
Vice President – Lyndee Long CPS
Secretary – Mindy Columbus
Treasurer – Jean Bohinski CPS/CAP

This was followed by the State of the Division address by Ginny Deily CPS, PA Division President.

The selection of the 2007 meeting site was announced as Altoona, PA, May 18, 19, 20, with the Altoona Chapter hosting the event.

An invitation was extended by the Harrisburg Chapter to the 2006 Division Meeting in Hershey.

Following an Invitation to the International Convention in Denver, Colorado, July 17 – 21, 2005, and the Northeast District Update, the meeting was in recess.

The meeting was followed by the recognition luncheon, where all chapter awards were presented. The Presque Isle Chapter won the Newsletter Award for the Chapter with 29 or fewer members.

Saturday evening was the President's Banquet, where the Parade of Presidents and Installation of the new Division Officers took place. After the Installation, new PA Division President Kathryn O'Connor CAP gave her President's Message her theme of "Come Grow With Us." That was followed entertainment provided by the Coyle School of Irish Dance.

SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2002

The morning session began with the Memorial Service, where members who have gone to the Omega Chapter were honored, including our own Helen Shimek and Opal Stoffan.

The Report of Registration for Sunday morning was a total of 123 registered. Following the Credentials Report and the announcement of the 2005-2006 Division Committees, Ginny Deily CPS introduced Kay E. Enlow CPS/CAP as our seminar speaker.

We were honored with the presentation from International President Elect Kay E. Enlow CPS/CAP. Her program was called "Building Trust" and discussed building trust personally and professionally, and the fact that no one can be successful without having the ability to establish, build, and maintain trusting relationships. It was wonderful to have our incoming International President at this weekend's proceedings. She is such a delight and will bring a bright future to our organization.

We concluded with the announcements and adjourned the 2004-2005 PA Division Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by Karen L. Jendruczak CPS/CAP, Alternate, on June 14, 2005.