May 16, 2012 Minutes

Our 33rd Birthday Dinner was called to order at 4:45 p.m. at East Side Mario's. Carol Anderson gave an update on the State Convention. We were recognized as has having the highest acclaimed newsletter, yearbook, and the best attendance at the convention. Jackie Smart was awarded the *State Woman of Distinction* Award for all of her wonderful work. Congratulations Jackie. We initiated two new members Ellen August and Debbie Novak. Welcome Ellen and Debbie. Our Grant in aid recipients, Alyssa Sandoval and Kendall Carter, were recognized and given their awards. Kendall is a Wayne Memorial graduate and will be attending EMU. Alyssa is a 2nd time recipient and sent a lovely note expressing her appreciation for the award.

Our wonderful Jackie received an additional award of Chapter Woman of Distinction. Helen Mate won the door prize that Grace had donated.

The new officers were installed: Lynne Elsesser is President, Mary Jo Dreffs is First Vice President, Colleen Retherford is Second Vice President, Carol Anderson is Recording Secretary, and Amy Wainwright will serve as Corresponding Secretary. Fran Saenz and Cindy Dietz accepted Lynne's appointments as Parliamentarian and Treasurer, respectively.

Our planning meeting will be held on June 20th at Carol Anderson's house in Canton. See **Calendar** for directions. One of the topics to be discussed will be planning something for our Alpha Iota's State's 75th anniversary.

Submitted by Carol Palk, Recording Secretary