



The Gamma Gamma Ray

Newsletter of the Gamma Gamma Chapter,
Illinois Lambda State Organization,
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society
International

October 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday, October 10, **Chapter Meeting –Thriving in Work and in Life**
Tuesday, October 31, Deadline for Chapter Dues
Tuesday, November 7, Cocoa Exchange- Social /Fundraiser
Friday, November 10, Laugh Out Loud Comedy Theater-Social Event
Tuesday, December 5, Shop ‘Til You Drop! Gamma Gamma Annual Auction

WEB SITES TO REMEMBER:

(Hold down control key and click to activate link)

*Gamma Gamma www.gammagamma75.org
Lambda State www.deltakappagamma.org/IL
**International www.dkg.org

- Some areas of our web site are password protected. The passwords were announced at our Sept. meeting.
- To enter the International web for the first time, Sign in with your Member ID (See membership card). The initial password is dkg2014society. You will be asked to establish a personal password. Some areas are password protected. Those passwords were announced at the Sept. Meeting. They can be found on the label of your new directory.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the September 14 meeting.
2. Story for Lambda State Marketing Campaign

Thanks to all who were flexible with their time for our September meeting. As you know, Eleanor Roosevelt (Leslie Goddard) needed to arrive earlier than expected and needed to leave promptly for another performance. She was wonderful. I especially liked her comment that “women are like tea bags. You never know how strong they are until you put them in hot water.” If you liked her program, watch for other opportunities to see her in various roles. Her programs fill up fast and people must register ahead of time. Our Special Projects Committee provided the refreshments and our Service Project of School Supplies filled Sandy’s trunk once more and were delivered to the Township Office for school district 54 students.

Program Committee News – Rose Karner/ Honora Quinn

October 10th Program Thriving in Work and Life

DKG is excited to present Jen Wille, a Certified Professional Life Coach, and a panel consisting of other coaches. Below is a statement of their purposes and a short introduction to each panelist.

As a community of industry leaders coming together, Chicago Life Coaches exist to support individuals and groups in becoming their best selves in mind, body and career. We aim to educate, lead and inspire with compassion, generosity and integrity. Our individuality and unique experiences allow us to share a range of actionable strategies for thriving in life.

Our team of coaches are:

*Jessica Edwards | Certified Co-Active Coach (jessicaedwardscoaching.com)
Jess works with Millennial women to disrupt self-limiting beliefs, fully own and step into individual authenticity, and create a roadmap of possibilities toward living a larger life. Her goal is to hold a spotlight on these ladies' largeness, helping illuminate the essence of how they show up authentically as leaders in all aspects of their lives.*

*Katy Flatau | Certified Career Strategy & Life Balance Coach (Mindful-U.com)
From determining the next step on their career path to finding work that helps them to feel fulfilled, Katy is passionate about supporting her clients in mindfully making the decisions that will lead them to their desired future and to feel better right now.*

*Jen Wille | Certified Professional Life Coach (jenwille.com)
Jen helps women take care of themselves, first and foremost. Through creating peaceful daily rhythms and practices for self-care, she holds women accountable for the lives they truly want so they can get out there and live their passion work.*

We think it will be a fascinating and informative program!

LOCATION: Our Redeemer Methodist Church
 1600 W. Schaumburg Rd.
 Schaumburg, Il 60194 847-882-6116

ARRRANGEMENTS: Rose Karner

TIME: 3:30PM set up
 3:45 Social
 4:15 Meeting
 5:00 Program

SERVICE PROJECT: Books for Kids – New and Used Children's books

BOOK EXCHANGE: Bring Books you have read and take away books you want to read.

HOSTESSES AND GREETERS: Communication Committee-Cheryl Keifer, chair – Geri DeFalco, Chris Dick, Carol Escorcia, Debbie Goodman, Jane Jedlicka, Jan Kayson, Jane Kennedy-Ebner, Mary Jayne La Bahn, Kathy Muench, Pat Rielly, Mary Salee

REFLECTION: Glenda Klein-Mali

CONTACT: Honora Quinn

MISCELLANEOUS: Bring your checkbook for membership dues if they are not yet paid.

Optional Dinner: Panera 2415 W. Schaumburg Rd – South side of Schaumburg Rd. and East of Barrington Rd.

MORE PROGRAM NEWS - up coming events.

Looking for Two Good Homes!

As of the writing of this newsletter, we still need two hostesses to volunteer their homes for two fundraising events. A Cocoa Exchange party, scheduled for Tuesday, November 7th, and a Thirty-One Gifts party, to be held on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018, will have a percentage of the proceeds donated to the Anne Fussell Scholarship fund. Whatever money is raised will help to ensure this scholarship will continue to provide financial support to young women wishing to enter the field of education. Please consider hosting one of these events and notify Rose Karner of your intent to do so. Thank you.

HO! HO! HO! Only 8 Weeks until the Auction!

Yikes! Do you know what that means? It means it is time to start planning! For all members that would like to get involved in the planning of the December 5th auction, we'll be meeting at the Panera in the Arboretum Shopping Mall (on Higgins Rd.) on Tuesday, October 24th, at 10:00 AM. RSVP to Rose Karner by phone or email.

Remember to RSVP to Eat and Laugh!

Don't forget to let Mary Balk know if you will be attending the Laugh Out Loud Comedy Theater on Friday, November 10th. If you are also planning to attend dinner *before* the show at Seasons 52, the RSVP deadline is October 31st.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS – Mary Wrobel - chair

The **Care Team** is meeting at 3 pm on Oct 10th at Our Redeemers Methodist church before our meeting. Anyone who wants to attend is welcome. I will send a reminder for all who signed up.

Our **chapter book club** is reading **Abide with Me** by Elizabeth Strout. Our next book club gathering is Monday, Oct 23 and will be facilitated by Glenda Klein Mali. Contact Glenda or Mary Wrobel if you want to attend. Glenda will contact us with the location a few days before we meet, at which time she will need exact attending numbers.

FYI The books selected for State Convention workshops and Discussion Groups are **Wonder** by R.J. Palacio and **The Courage to Teach** a nonfiction book by Parker J. Palmer.

Please consider serving on the Nominating Committee. Any member is eligible.

Contact Mary Wrobel.

LAMBDA STATE NEWS

As your president, I attended the Executive Board Meeting in Bloomington on September 15 & 16. It is very interesting to learn about our state involvement, how things are run and to put faces to the names of those on the executive board. There were 58 Chapter Presidents in attendance. I was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the start of the meeting and did so with pleasure. After all I had years of practice doing that in the classroom.

As mentioned before, we were asked to bring any Box Tops for Education to the meeting. We won all those brought in Area 1 for us to give to any school participating in that program. If you know of a school to pass these on to, please let me know so they can benefit a little from our luck. Box Tops will also be collected at the State Convention in April. Secondly, we were asked to bring supplies that a new teacher would benefit from. These were won by another chapter in Area!

Did you know that there are 2777 members of Delta Kappa Gamma in our state?

At this meeting an envelope was passed for donations to the Emergency Fund. \$1776 was collected.

I was very impressed with our new Lambda State president, Debbie Le Blanc and she was very impressed with our beautiful directory. Debbie shared some videos of students who have been impacted by an educator who is a DKG Member. These stories will be used in an Illinois State marketing campaign. Any stories you can share will be appreciated. (See Attachment 2 for a story I will submit.)

NEWS (Good, Bad or Sad)

Send to Mary Roeing, our corresponding secretary. Also any news, information, or requests to be shared with members may be sent to Gerie Kay, President g54k@aol.com

Some really **good news** is that **Jacqui Rothman** is home!
She will have home health care and therapy. She plans to come to
our meetings soon.



THE BIRTHDAY GIRLS

OCTOBER 01 Cheryl Keifer 10 Lorena Williams 11 Pat Rielly
15 Joan Gazdic 17 Marge Fox 24 Kathleen Stephansen
25 Jacqui Rothman 28 Rose Karner
NOVEMBER 02 Jan Kayson 06 Carol Cowen 14 Gail Poisson
25 Keri Gold 27 Mary Balk

Gerie's Give and Take

It is amazing that we, through our contacts and efforts, have been right on target over the years with our programs. I received the following from Walter Johnson, our Project C.U.R.E. speaker –September 2016.

“Rotary Northwest 27th Anniversary Gala

Rotary Northwest is hosting their 27th Anniversary Gala on October 20, 2017. This year Rotary Northwest will honor and celebrate **Project C.U.R.E's** 30 years of humanitarian service. Dr. Douglas Jackson will be honored and Dr. James Jackson the Founder of Project C.U.R.E. will be Rotary's special guest and keynote speaker. Please contact Luis Giron for addition information.”

Also, a note from Bev Johns, Alphi Phi, Second vice president Lambda State and Educational Excellence chair, states her interest in our up coming program, “Girls in the Game”. Let's invite her to that meeting next September. Let's spread the word of this charity. Maybe other chapters can join in as we support the goals of Girls in the Game.

How wonderful it is to support good charities and programs. How wonderfully giving our members are in spirit, and with their generous contributions of time, effort and money.