



The Gamma Gamma Ray

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

September 2017

Dates to Remember:

Thursday, September 14. - **First DKG Chapter Meeting -**

An Evening with Eleanor Roosevelt- as performed by Leslie Goddard

Friday/Saturday, September 15-16 - Lambda State Executive Board Meeting- Bloomington, Illinois

Saturday, September 16- Early registration for Creative Arts Retreat **due.**

Registration forms will be available at the Sept. Meeting.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, October 5, 6, 7, 38th Annual Creative Arts Retreat

Lorado Taft Field Campus, Northern Illinois University, Oregon, IL

Tuesday, October 10, **Chapter Meeting- Thriving in Work and in Life**

Tuesday, October 31 Deadline for Chapter Dues

Websites 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 password will be announced at our Sept. meeting.

**To access the International website, sign in with your membership ID

(See your membership card) the initial password is **dkg2014society**.

You will then be asked to create your personal password.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Creative Arts Retreat Registration Form
2. Form 43 Emergency Fund

An Evening with Eleanor Roosevelt - as performed by Leslie Goddard

Leslie Goddard, an award winning actress and scholar, will share stories of Eleanor Roosevelt's childhood, her marriage to FDR, her work during WWI and II, their life in the White House, and Franklin's bout with polio and subsequent death. Eleanor's warm, honest, and passionate personality as First Lady and stateswoman are revealed through Goddard's presentation.

LOCATION: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
930 West Higgins Road
Schaumburg, IL 847-885-7010

ARRANGEMENTS: Linda Szymkowiak

TIME: 3:30 Set Up
3:45 Social - Be ready for an ice breaker
4:15 Meeting
5:00 Program

SERVICE PROJECT: School Supplies for Schaumburg Township

At this time the Township is especially in need of items that need to be replenished as the school year progresses. They have suggested lined wide rule notebook paper, spiral notebooks, pens and #2 pencils. Many of our early bird members have already sent their donations and a car load of school supplies has been delivered by Sandy and Denise.

BOOK EXCHANGE - Round up those good reads from this summer and bring them in to share with chapter members. Those not selected will be donated to the library.

HOSTESSES AND GREETERS: Special Project Committee- Kris Beaudette, Chair- Cammy Basek, JoAnn Bechtold, Kris Davenport, Debbie Faems, Peggy Gire, Keri Gold, Mindy Jones, Mary Kay Marello, Lorena Williams, Karen Delvecchio

REFLECTION: Debbie Faems

CONTACT: Linda Stolt

MISCELLANEOUS: Optional Dinner - TBA

FINANCE - DUES

Linda Stolt, our treasurer, will accept dues at either of our first two meetings, (Sept. 14 and Oct. 10) or they can be mailed to her (to **arrive** no later than Oct. 31).

Kudos to the **17** members that have already paid their dues.

Active Members- \$84.00.

Active Members with newsletter mailed- \$89.

Reserve Members - \$42.

Checks should be made payable to: Delta Kappa Gamma and sent to Linda Stolt 1912 Quaker Hollow Lane Streamwood, IL 60107-1977

Please pay your dues in a timely manner.

Linda does a remarkable job keeping our accounts in perfect order and attending to all required financial reporting on behalf of the membership. We can help by making sure we meet the deadlines. Linda will be glad to speak with you about extenuating circumstances regarding dues.

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EXPECT GREAT THINGS

Here are some great things from your committee chairs.

PROGRAM Rose Karner-Chair
(Program, Music, Women in the Arts)

Program Committee Announcements

1. If you are interested in attending the Creative Arts Retreat at Lorado Taft, Oregon, IL, Friday-Sunday, October 6-8, go to the DKG website (www.deltakappagamma.org/IL) for details and the registration form. Checks and the registration form need to be mailed before September 16, 2017, in order to avoid late fees. (See Attachment 1)
2. On Tuesday, November 7th at 4:30, and again on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018, we've planned social events to benefit the Anne Fussell Scholarship fund. Proceeds from the purchase of items from the "Cocoa Exchange" and "Thirty-One Gifts" will be donated. Two people are needed to hostess these events at their home. If you would be interested in volunteering your home, please see or call Rose Karner.
3. On Friday, November 10th, a social event is planned to attend the Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club in Schaumburg. In order to receive the discounted price of \$15 per ticket, we need to have more than 10 people in the group. An optional dinner will be at Season's 52 before the show (we'll meet at the restaurant at 5:15). Mary Balk needs to know by October 30th, who will be attending the show (in order to get the discounted price), as well as who will join us for dinner (if it is a large group, a semi-private room will be reserved for us). Either call or email Mary at mbalk1127@comcast.net.

MEMBERSHIP Mary Wrobel- Chair
(Membership, Necrology, Nominations, Historian)

A gift will be presented to members who are currently working in the educational areas to show our support.

During this- the second year of the biennium, the nomination process begins. The first vice president, Mary Wrobel, is looking for members who would like to serve on the nominations committee. If interested, please contact her. Also: If you are interested in a position as an officer or chair of a committee, make your intentions known. Each of you has the ability to lead and represent our chapter. Step up, Ladies.

Mary also hopes to form a CARE TEAM for our chapter. She will give more details about this at our meeting.

Sue Werner has our recent chapter scrapbooks on display. Take a look, enjoy, and thank the membership committee for their efforts in assembling them.

SOCIETY BUSINESS–Adrienne Rovin, chair.
(Finance, Rules, Research)

The Chapter Budget will be presented and voted upon at the September Meeting.

Chapter Rules can be found on our website. Revision suggestions will be presented at our February meeting and voted upon at our March meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS – Cheryl Keifer – Chair
(Directory, Publicity, DKG State News, Website)

Your 2017-2018 directory will be ready for you to pick up at the September meeting. You will be asked to sign for it as you receive it and also sign for any other member's directory if you are picking one up for them. If you will not be at this meeting, please ask someone to pick up your copy and sign for it. (See Debbie Goodman at the meeting.)

SERVICE PROJECTS– Sandy Cook –Chair
(Personal Growth & Services, Professional Affairs, Scholarships)

School supplies for Schaumburg Township will be collected and delivered. Watch for the collection vehicle in the parking lot as you enter. Let's fill up that trunk!

A very successful event for our grant recipients and mentors was held at Peggy Gire's home. Thanks to all who attended and to Peggy for her hospitality.

SPECIAL PROJECTS– Kris Beaudette– Chair
(International Projects, Literacy, Legislation)

We have our date for Feed My Starving Children. Saturday, January 20, 2018
Bring along family and friends to join us.

Our Book Club flourishes. The current read is The Nest by Cynthia Sweeney.
Mary Balk is facilitating–contact her if you are interested in joining. The discussion meeting is set for September 25. Location TBA.

NEWS (Good, Bad or Sad)

Send to Mary Roeing @yahoo.com 847-524-1829, our corresponding secretary. Also any news, information, or requests to be shared with members may be sent to Gerie Kay, President g54k@aol.com



THE BIRTHDAY GIRLS

SEPTEMBER

01 Sue Wadkins 07 Debbie Goodman 14 Nan Carli 30 Mary Roeing

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

Hurricane Harvey

The Emergency Fund and Beyond...

Based on the number of calls and emails we have received at DKG Headquarters, we want to remind all members that contributions to the DKG Emergency Fund will help members impacted by Hurricane Harvey... as well as those with damage from other natural disasters.

To contribute to the Emergency Fund by credit card, go to https://www.dkg.org/DKGDONATE/DKGDONATE/Donate_to_DKG.aspx and click on "Emergency Fund."

If you would prefer to make a donation by check, please download Form-43. Mail this form with your check to the address listed on Form-43. As additional information becomes available about how best to help chapters and members as they recover from the hurricane, Headquarters personnel will spread the word and help make the connections that so well illustrate the spirit of DKG. (See Attachment 2 for Form 43)

DID YOU KNOW?

Jo Ann Bechtold is celebrating a special anniversary this month.

50 years September 16

Jane Martin's 2nd grandson has arrived! Welcome Beckett, 9lbs13oz!

Jacqui Rothman has been transferred to Glenview Terrace Rehabilitation Center at 1511 Greenwood Rd, Glenview, IL 60026 she is improving and in good spirits. She is taking calls on her cell phone and keeping up to date with her email.

GERIE'S Give and Take

On September 15 & 16, I will represent Gamma Gamma at the Lambda State Executive Board Meeting in Bloomington. All chapter presidents, Lambda State Officers and DKG administrators will be in attendance. This is always a very informative meeting.

As a "fun" aspect, we are asked to bring something to donate that would be helpful to a new teacher and any Box Tops for Education. If we are lucky, we could win all the goodies to bring back to our chapter and present to a lucky new teacher and/or the Box Tops to any school participating in that program.

There will be lots of action at our Welcome Table on September 14. As you check in, pick up the materials as needed. The Membership Committee will be there to greet you.