



The Gamma Gamma Ray

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

November 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday, November 27, Gamma Gamma Book Club meets at Riccardo's Restaurant.

Tuesday, November 28, Please **confirm your attendance** for the auction. Indicate how many guests you have coming. If you have not already paid the \$5 fee, contact Adrienne Rovin. You may pay at the door but we **must have a count** for the food.

Tuesday, December 5, Shop 'Til You Drop! Gamma Gamma Annual Auction

Thursday, January 4, Nominations Committee Meeting – Time/Place TBA

Saturday, January 30, Feed My Starving Children 9am–11am

Thursday, February 15, Chapter meeting at which time the slate of candidates for Gamma Gamma Officers and nominations for membership will be presented.

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 if the October 10 meeting.
2. Recommendation for membership form
3. Invitation letter to send to friends you wish to invite to the Dec. 5th auction

PROGRAM NOTES from Rose Karner

November has been a busy month for DKG!

On Tuesday, Nov. 7th, eleven members attended the Cocoa Exchange presentation at Riccardo's Restaurant in Schaumburg. A big "Thank You!" to all that were able to attend! We sampled many delicious items created with chocolate, and had a thoroughly enjoyable evening! Our purchases benefited the Anne Fussell Scholarship fund in the amount of \$370.75! Sherry Baugh will generously keep the link open until December 31st for those still wanting to place an order. Delivery of your order is quick (my order arrived by UPS two days after the party!). I'll have catalogs available at the December auction if anyone is interested in ordering those last minute holiday gifts! / or go to this link to order on line directly:

<http://www.MyTCESite.com/Pws/turl.aspxid=44523146501543502049143665611>

A good time was had by twenty-one DKG members and guests at our social event! The evening started with a delicious dinner at Seasons 52, and ended at the Laugh Out Loud Comedy Theater! Thank you to Mary Balk for making all the arrangements!

DKG Annual Auction

Our Annual Holiday Auction is just around the corner!!! Mark your calendars (if you haven't already!) for Tuesday, December 5th, for our biggest fund-raiser for the funding of our recruitment grants, and most enjoyable social gathering! Hopefully, all our members can attend and will bring at least one friend to this fun event!

For our newer members, you may be wondering how you can be involved. There are several ways to do so!

First, we have a silent auction of gift baskets that have been created and donated by our members. All items in the basket are related by a theme (movie night, gardening, snacking, drinking/appetizers, books, etc.) The donor of the basket writes a starting bid on a bidding sheet, & members write their bids below. The person with the highest bid wins the basket!

The 50/50 involves buying (numerous!) tickets! The ticket with the winning number will be drawn, and the person with the matching number will receive half of the money collected!

Thirdly, our live auction consists of items donated by our members. Some examples of donated items to be auctioned are scarves, jewelry, holiday decorations, games, purses, items for children, gift certificates (for dining, golf lessons or a round of golf, wine tasting, etc.), & household items. Let your creativity and imagination be your guide.

This year we are again doing Elf on the Shelf, and are looking for all you crafters to make multiple holiday items as well as small “Elf” bags of cookies, candies, spiced nuts, breads or cakes for our Shelf offerings.

There will also be a garage sale/white elephant table! The items on this table will be an assortment of inexpensive or used, as well as anything (according to you) not quite worthy of being auctioned. These items will be given a suggested price by the giver and placed on the garage sale table for a buy and take option, first come first served. A basket for cash or check will be available. No auctioning, no bidding, just buy and take. So don't forget to bring any garage sale items as well as the usual auction items.

Also, if you are unable to attend the auction but would like to make a donation, checks (made out to Delta Kappa Gamma) can be sent to Linda Stolt, Gamma Gamma Chapter Treasurer. Her address can be found in the Gamma Gamma yearbook/directory.

Remind your friends to bring money for buying. We are looking forward to a great Holiday Auction!

SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP! ANNUAL AUCTION

LOCATION: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 930 W. Higgins Rd, Schaumburg, IL 60194 – 847-885-7010

Arrangements: L Szymkowiak Hostesses/**Greeters:** Membership and Society Business Committees. **Reflection:** J. Gazdic

Set up: 2:30

Social: 3:30 – 4:00

Meeting: 4:00

Live Auction: 4:30

Dinner Break: 5:15

Closing for Silent Auction baskets and Elf on the Shelf drawings, 50/50 etc. 5:45.

Resume Live Auction 6:00pm

THRIVING IN WORK AND LIFE

Our October meeting was well attended and well received. Thank you to Honora Quinn who arranged for the speakers– Professional Life Coaches: Jen Wille, Katy Flatau and Jessica Edwards. This presentation was as delightful as their personalities.

We had lots of goodies to share provided by the Communications Committee. Thank you to Peggy Gire, member of Our Redeemer, and all who helped with set up and clean up.

Be sure to read the minutes of that meeting in Attachment 1.

Many books for kids were donated and delivered to Bernie's Book Bank by Sue Wadkins

CONTACT CHANGES – PLEASE CORRECT THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR DIRECTORY:

Remember to inform Cheryl Keifer, chair of Communications Committee if your information changes.

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FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN – Comments by Kris Beaudette

We are booked for our packing session at feed my starving children for Saturday, January 20, 2018, 9 AM to 11 AM. We will have an optional lunch after at Jason's Deli. We will have a sign-up sheet at the auction. We have 60 positions reserved and in the past, we have filled all of them. Hope you can make it! Bring family and friends!

Please see Kris Beaudette if you have questions.

Please also consider making a donation to Feed My starving Children (cash, check, or charge). Feed My Starving Children gets no government support and relies on the generous donations from people like us to do this important work. Thank you.

Notes and Information from MEMBERSHIP chair, Mary Wrobel

Our Gamma Gamma Chapter now has its own **Care Team** made up of chapter members who have volunteered to take care of our membership, when needed. The purpose of the Care Team is to call, email or mail cards to members who are recovering from an illness or surgery, or just need to know we are thinking

about them. We also contact members who we haven't heard from in a while. We network with our membership to provide rides to members who can't drive. And in the case of hospitalization or long-term recovery, we will visit and provide meals, as needed. We feel it is necessary to stay in touch with members, especially when they need it most. We all know how easy it is to lose touch with chapter members we haven't seen in a while. Our hope is that we can keep in touch and re-connect with members and send an occasional cheery message to let them know we are thinking of them.

Anyone can be a part of the Care Team. So far our members include: Maureen Briza, Jacqui Rothman, Sue Werner, Carol McHale, Jane Born, Sandy Cook, Charlotte Weber, Mary Roeing, Glenda Klein and Mary Wrobel. If you know of a chapter member who is ill, under-going rehab or having surgery, please contact one of the Care Team members.

Book Club

Greetings DKG Ladies!! Our Monday, November 27th Book Club discussion: [Under A Flaming Sky](#): by Daniel James Brown will meet at Ricardo's Restorante at 6:00 pm. It is located on 1170 Roselle Road, Schaumburg---847-891-7777. I hope you will be able to attend and participate in an interesting discussion of the raging wildfires, devastation, and courage of ordinary people whose lives changed forever in The Great Hinckley Firestorm of 1894. Please RSVP to Jo Ann Bechtold 847-519-0833 or joannbechtold@gmail.com. by November 26th.- thanks! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends!
Jo Ann

Recommendation for Membership

Once you have decided on your candidate for membership, contact them and tell them about our Chapter and DKG. Give them a copy of Form 11 (attachment 2 to this newsletter or available on our Chapter web site www.gammagamma75.org under Forms.

Gamma Gamma brochures are available to give to them. See Mary Wrobel for a copy.

Ask your candidate to complete the form and provide a list of professional accomplishments and community activities or provide a professional resume. As a member, your personal recommendation will be presented orally at our February Meeting. If you will not be able to attend this meeting, ask another member to read your personal recommendation. Summaries of the recommendations will be in the newsletter before voting in March.

Completed forms should be given to the Membership chair (Mary Wrobel) at that meeting along with the name, address, phone number and email address of the candidate.

Nominations Committee

The committee is made up of any interested member. Contact Mary Wrobel if you are interested in serving on this committee.

The Nominations Committee will meet in January 2018 as this is the second year of the biennium, and seek qualified members for chapter officers.

The elected officers shall be president, first vice president, second vice president, recording secretary and corresponding secretary.

Candidates will be contacted to verify their willingness to serve.

The slate of the Executive Board nominations will be announced at our February 15 meeting and voted upon at the March meeting.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

08 Mary Jane La Bahn, 11 Barb Keegan,
16 Adrienne Rovin, 22 Nancy Gaughan,
29 Jane Kennedy-Ebner, 31 Jane Jedlicka

MEMBER NEWS

We have some members recovering from accidents, illnesses and surgeries: Jane Martin , Gretchen Mahin, Mary Hurd, Joyce Dunne, Jacqui Rothman. Keep them in your thoughts.

Please keep in contact with us. Let us know how you are.

GERIE'S GIVE AND TAKE

The Thanksgiving Holiday is past, the relatives are all back home and the dishes, if any, are washed and put away. Now is the time for all Gamma Gamma Members to prepare for the annual auction and scout out some Holiday gifts.

This is a "not to be missed" event!