

Gamma Gamma Ray



Newsletter of the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Lambda State December 2018

Our December 6th holiday auction was a big success! We had 69 attendees with 9 guests, including Melinda Davis, our Lambda State Events Coordinator. It was wonderful to see so many of our chapter members in attendance! We had a fabulous selection of auction items, including silent auction baskets and Elf on the Shelf, not to mention our Garage Sale table was bursting with items-thanks in part to **Joyce Dunne**, who contributed many things from her house.

Special thanks to **Mary Balk** and **Honora Quinn**(Chairs of Program), who got to Prince of Peace early to set up the auction, including the beautiful center pieces. We had lots of delicious food thanks to the Communication and Special Projects Committees, as well as Riccardo's Restaurant. Thanks to all our volunteers(and there are many of you!) who helped with the auction. We don't know the exact amount raised by the auction toward our scholarships since donations are still coming in. If you weren't able to attend and want to donate to our scholarship funds please send a check made out to Delta Kappa Gamma, with auction in the memo, to **Linda Stolt** at 1912 Quaker Hollow Lane, Streamwood, IL 60107-1977. Thanks!

- ❖ We enthusiastically and unanimously voted to accept four collegiate women, all grant recipients, into our Gamma Gamma Chapter. **Lauren Hamen, Brittany Moran, Karly Grapenthin** and **Eden Schultz** will be officially inducted into our chapter next week. Thanks to **Denise Pawelczyk** and the three other mentors, **Sandy Cook, Debbie Goodman** and **Kris Beaudette**, for their excellent presentations about our collegiate members.
- ❖ Also, on December 6th we voted to change **Joyce Dunne's** status from Active to Reserve.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **December 20-** Induction of our four collegiate members into our chapter. Thanks to **Denise Pawelczyk**, who helped create this special induction ceremony.

- **January 19- Feed My Starving Children** at 1072 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL. There will be an optional lunch to follow at Jason's Deli (1530 McConnor Pkwy, Schaumburg). If you haven't signed up for FMSC and want to attend, please contact Kris Beaudette ASAP: 847-431-1254
- **January 28- Our Gamma Gamma Book Club** is meeting at Riccardo's Restaurant at 6pm to discuss **A Fall of Marigolds** by Susan Meissner. This is one of two books discussed at our Lambda State Convention. We don't have a facilitator yet, so if anyone wants to volunteer to facilitate our book club next month, let me know.
- **January 31-New Member Applications are due** to Rose Karner. Please send via email to rkarner@me.com or mail to Rose at 313 Exmoor Drive, Streamwood, IL 60107

CHAPTER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Congrats to **Karyn Baldwin and Sandy Cook- they got their grant!** This spring they will begin construction of a reading garden at Huff Elementary School with the help of master gardeners, **Cheryl Keifer and Chris Dick.**
- **Peggy Gire** has a new email address: pgire4@gmail.com. Please make note of it.
- **Care Team News:**
Please contact Glenda Klein-Mali(and Mary Wrobel) if you have any news for the Care Team. We also love to hear your good news and celebrations! Let us know what you would like shared with your Gamma Gamma sisters via newsletter or other announcements.
 - **Carol McHale** is finished with her chemotherapy treatments for lymphoma! She is happy to announce that she's on the road to complete recovery! Carol was sad to not be able to attend the holiday auction but she can't afford to pick up any germs at this point, so she had to miss it. Carol so appreciates all the prayers and cards of support sent by our members. She hopes to be back with us this spring, attending chapter meetings and events. Send any well-wishing and congratulations to:

Carol McHale
1513 Coventry Rd.
Schaumburg, IL 60195

- **Joyce Dunne** so appreciates all the well wishes and cards from her DKG sisters! Thanks to all of you and continue to stay in touch with Joyce-she loves hearing from us! Here is her address:

Sunrise of Buffalo Grove
180 West Half Day Road
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

You can call her at 847-478-8484 (the general number at Sunrise)

- Please keep up the good wishes and prayers for Charlotte Weber's daughter, Katie. Here is Katie's address:

Katie Weber
3039 18th Ave. S.
Seattle, WA 98144

To all our Gamma Gamma sisters, we hope and pray that you have a healthy and happy holiday season and new year. Don't forget to let us know if you need our support- The Care Team

COMMITTEE REPORTING

SOCIETY BUSINESS: (Joan Gazdic)

Feel free to email Joan Gazdic(jmtg@att.net) if you have any questions about our chapter rules, especially any recent changes or addendums. Please email Linda Stolt (lindast05@hotmail.com) if you have a question regarding budget, expenses, vouchers and reimbursement.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: (Rose Karner)

It's now time to start sending in any membership applications for potential members. New member applications are due the end of January. Don't wait until the last minute! A Membership Application is attached to this newsletter. Think about sending this application out to someone who you think would make a wonderful addition to our chapter. Send completed applications to Rose Karner at rkarner@me.com.

Remember, DKG International has expanded its definition of potential members to now include any woman who is a paid educator. This opens the door to women who instruct in businesses, trade schools and religious organizations.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: (Cheryl Keifer)

By now everyone should have her yearbook/directory. Don't lose it because it's full of important dates and information, including member information. If you have any additional questions regarding chapter information, please check out our webpage: www.gammagamma75.org.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: (Mary Balk and Honora Quinn)

Thanks to all who helped out with our holiday auction!

The following are the programs for our 2019. Please make note of them on your calendars. Detailed descriptions are in the new directories/yearbooks.

Mark your Calendars!

Jan. 19, 2019- Feed My Starving Children

Thursday, Feb. 7- Charles Butler Technology seminar at Our Redeemer's church

Tuesday, March 12- Music and its effects on the Brain at Prince of Peace Church. Our state ambassador will be attending this meeting- be sure and be there!

Thursday, April 11- New Member Tea and Executive Board meeting, location to be determined.

Tuesday, May 7- Spring Celebration of Membership at Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club.

Thursday, September 19, 2019-Get and Stay organized

EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE: (Denise Pawelczyk)

It's never too late to donate to our chapter scholarships, if you weren't able to attend the holiday auction. Please mail a check to Linda Stolt (1912 Quaker Hollow Lane, Streamwood, IL 60107). Checks should be made out to DELTA KAPPA GAMMA with "AUCTION" written in the memo line.

Just a reminder: Detailed descriptions of our service projects are in the new directories/yearbook, upcoming newsletters and on our gammagamma75.org website. Please make note of these service projects on your calendars.

January: Donations to Feed My Starving Children. If you can't attend please send a check or give monetary donations to Kris Beaudette.

February: Retired cell phones for "Cell Phones for Soldiers"

March: New/unopened packages of youth sized underwear for Schaumburg Community Closet and "SIMEK'S food products for personal consumption.

April: Art Mart donations TBD

May: Donations to Kenneth Young Center collected at our May dinner or mailed to Sudha Byanna, and school supplies for students.

June: We will be collecting School supplies for the 2019-20 school year at our committee meetings.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: (Kris Beaudette)

Please join us at **Feed My Starving Children** on Saturday, January 19, 2019, 9-11 a.m. We always have fun at our annual packing session. Please contact Kris Beaudette at KrisBeau@comcast.net or 847-431-1254 (voice or text) if you can join us. If you signed up already at the Auction, you do not need to contact me again. I have your name already registered on the FMSC website. Thanks for your enthusiasm and participation at FMSC! Optional lunch afterward at Jason's Deli. Join us!

*If you can't come but wish to donate to FMSC send a check to Feed My Starving Children at 1072 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL. I'm sure they would appreciate it.

NEWS FROM LAMBDA STATE:

The Lambda State Membership Committee came up with guidelines for new members, including collegiate members for the upcoming year.

New Members

- A candidate for membership shall be selected by the method established by chapter rules.
- An active member shall be a woman who is or has been employed as a professional educator at the time of her election.
- A candidate is considered a new member as soon as she pays her dues.

Collegiate Members

- Must be in the last two years of her education program, with the intention to be an educator; or a Graduate student planning to teach.
- Upon graduation and when she secures a teaching position, she is inducted and pays active dues.
- Collegiate members can participate in chapter activities, but cannot hold an office.
- She can be the Parliamentarian.

- Pays Reserve Fee \$20.00 - monies delegated to International
- If she does not continue in Education, her membership in DKG ends.

Questions to ponder

- How will your chapter support collegiate members?
- Will additional fees be proposed by Membership and Finance Committees?

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UPCOMING MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Adrienne Rovin(Dec 16), **Michelle Baldwin**(Dec 17), **Nancy Gaughan**(Dec 22), **Jane Kennedy-Ebner**(Dec 29), **Jane Jedlicka**(Dec 31), **Mindy Jones**(Jan 6), **Sherry Magnuson**(Jan 7), **Sally Scholler**(Jan 7), **Judy McGuire**(Jan 10), **Kris Davenport**(Jan 11), **Peggy Gire**(Jan 11), **Stephanie Grande**(Jan 18), **Rita Tweed**(Jan 23). Happy Birthday, Ladies!

ATTACHMENTS:

- **December Newsletter**
- **Recommendation for Membership**

Mary's Missive

I love this time of the year, as hectic as it can be at times. I think of the holiday season as the perfect time to reflect on all that we are grateful for as we enjoy the holidays with family and friends. Best wishes to all who recently celebrated Hanukkah! To everyone else, Merry Christmas! Happy New Year and I hope to see you all in 2019!

Mary