

# Gamma Gamma Ray



## Newsletter of the Gamma Gamma Chapter

[www.gammagamma75.org](http://www.gammagamma75.org)

April, 2021

### Important Dates to Remember

April 8, 2021, (Thursday). New Member Tea (virtual) and Zoom Executive Board Meeting.

April 10th, 9-11 am, is Feed My Starving Children. Programs committee and Sharon Froelich have taken reservations for this.

Tuesday, April 20-Wednesday, April 28, 2021. Illinois State Convention on Zoom. Please visit the DKG-ISO website to register for the convention at <http://deltakappagamma.org/IL/LSConvention/index.htm> Registration is free and easy to do.

May 20 (Thursday) Book Club- The Four Winds by Kristen Hannah, 2021.

May 27 (Thursday,) Rain date is Thursday, June 3. Annual Spring Celebration of Membership, It will be a scaled back outdoor event at St. Peter's Lutheran church in Schaumburg at around 3:30 pm. Details will be coming in the next few weeks, but please mark your calendars!

June 15 (Tuesday) – Book Club- This Is How It Always Is by Laurie Frankel, 2017.

### Websites to Remember

(Hold down control key and click to activate link)

Gamma Gamma chapter: [www.gammagamma75.org](http://www.gammagamma75.org)

Illinois State Organization: [www.deltakappagamma.org/IL](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/IL)

International: [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

Zoom links for DKG-ISO programs: [www.nuchapterDKG.weebly.com](http://www.nuchapterDKG.weebly.com)

[www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com). Subscribe to this channel: Delta Kappa Gamma, Illinois, Key Women Educators. Many/most of the slide shows from Zoom programs are saved to this channel. The Zoom sessions are not recorded, but the slides that the presenters used are all saved here, for your convenient viewing.

### Facebook Pages to visit:

DKG-Gamma Gamma Chapter

DKG-Illinois Key Women Educators

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

DKG-ILSOWIACAR- This is the Facebook page for the Illinois State Organization Women in the Arts Creative Arts Retreat (virtual.)

## **Announcements**

### **DKG-ISO Convention**

Make sure and register! The information has been emailed and is also in the "Important Dates" Section.

### **Vouchers**

Please submit any vouchers for reimbursement to Linda Stolt at 1912 Quaker Hollow Ln., Streamwood, IL, 60107-1977. Original receipts must be attached and the vouchers are available on our chapter website, [www.gammagamma75.org](http://www.gammagamma75.org).

### **Book Club**

April - no Book Club due to state convention

May 20 (Thursday) - The Four Winds by Kristen Hannah, 2021. This is a stirring tale of love and hardship in Dust-Bowl America.

June 15 (Tuesday) - This Is How It Always Is by Laurie Frankel, 2017. The novel is about a transgender child Claude/Poppy born into a large loving family, how that family comes to accept that Claude wants to be a girl, and about the secret they keep until it explodes.

All Book Club meetings are at 7:00 on Zoom. (Link sent closer to the meeting)

### **Recently passed meeting**

We had a lot of fun at our March 4 meeting with Zoom Bingo and are glad so many of our members could join the fun. Thanks go out to Rose Marie Mincey and Judie King, along with their committee, for putting together such a fun time.

### **Next meeting**

There will be no Chapter meeting in April and hope that instead, you will attend the Virtual DKG Illinois State Organization Convention. The convention is all on Zoom so it will be super easy and convenient to attend as many sessions as you would like. Please visit the DKG-ISO website to register for the convention at <http://deltakappagamma.org/IL/LSConvention/index.htm> Registration is free and easy to do.

## COMMITTEE REPORTING

### **Society Business- Joan Gazdic, [jmtg@att.net](mailto:jmtg@att.net)**

Monday, April 5 at 12:30 - Society Business Members will meet virtually to discuss a tentative Budget for 2021-2022. Members will be emailed a draft of the budget (generated by Kris, Linda Stolt and I) and the Link for the virtual meeting. This rough draft will assist with the discussion being held virtually to refine the budget further as necessary.

Prior to this meeting:

- Madelynn please inform Kris of the number of anticipated new members (not including potential collegiate members) as total membership is an important figure in estimating anticipated receipts and expenditures.
- Chairs of all committees, please inform Kris of any anticipated changes from last year's budget (yearbook costs, etc.)

Thursday, April 8 Executive Board Meeting Tentative Budget will be emailed in advance to Executive Board members and presented for any additional refinements before being voted upon at the Chapter meeting in May.

### **Membership, Madelynn Brossard, [rtb1445@yahoo.com](mailto:rtb1445@yahoo.com)**

Kris Beaudette, Diana O'Donnell and Madelynn Brossard met via Zoom with 6 potential new members. Diana O'Donnell reached out to many of her colleagues and told them about DKG. We met to give them more information and answer any questions they might have. Geri Kay also has a potential candidate. Rose Marie Mincey has told us about her friend who has applied for membership. We are looking forward to welcoming these new members into our chapter. Thanks for everyone's efforts!

### **Educational Excellence-Scholarship -Denise Pawelczyk, [dreismom2@yahoo.com](mailto:dreismom2@yahoo.com)**

EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE (submitted by Denise Pawelczyk)

\*Just a reminder that applications and supporting documents for the Gamma Gamma Chapter Scholarship and Love of Learning Stipend must be received by April 12th in order to be considered. (All applications and further information can be found on our chapter website at [gammagamma75.org](http://gammagamma75.org))

\*If you know of any graduating female District 211 high school senior that plans on majoring in education, please spread the news about our chapter recruitment grants! (The applications for those grants are also found on our website.)

\*A mentors meeting was held March 22nd. Its purpose was to welcome our new mentors and to share tips and information about the mentoring process. A highpoint was hearing how each of our future educators are doing! From our freshman surviving their first year at school under COVID restrictions to our seniors who are student teaching and starting the job application process--ALL of these young women are blossoming!!!

\*A follow up meeting has been offered to the Calgary Canada chapter; to further discuss our chapter's mentoring/collegiate membership program. Details are still pending.

**Programs- Rose Marie Mincey [rmincey@comcast.net](mailto:rmincey@comcast.net) / Judie King, [judo1108@aol.com](mailto:judo1108@aol.com)**

Our annual spring banquet will take place, but will look different this year. We've changed the date and the location. It will be a scaled back outdoor event at St. Peter's Lutheran church in Schaumburg on Thursday, May 27 (rain date of Thursday, June 3) at around 3:30 pm. Details will be coming in the next few weeks, but please mark your calendars!

**Communication, Cheryl Keifer, [ckeifer@gmail.com](mailto:ckeifer@gmail.com)**

Please always notify us if there are any changes to your contact information and emergency contacts. We want to make sure that you are receiving all of the information. Thanks.

**Service and Special Projects- Gerie Kay, [Geraldine\\_kay@comcast.net](mailto:Geraldine_kay@comcast.net)**

Chapters and members are encouraged to contribute to charities in their community, and state as well as supporting international projects. During April we have two international projects to support. Contributions are always optional and you may choose to send checks to the projects you would like to support.

1. **Feed My Starving Children** -- April 10 (9am-10am) - We are hoping to have members attend and pack food at their FMSC site or send a check payable to DKG with FMSC in the memo line.
2. We are supporting **Bukoba Hospital** in the United Kingdom of Tanzania, Africa. As you write your check please imagine a virtual shopping trip where your funds will be used to purchase beds, mattresses, bed sheets. Blankets, etc. Refer to more details in the March Newsletter.

Checks can be sent to our treasurer, Linda Stolt, at 1912 Quaker Hollow Lane, Streamwood, Illinois 60107. Checks payable to DKG . Please place Bukoba Hospital on the memo line or FMSC on the memo line.

### **Literacy**

Our committee is looking for suggestions for the annual Literacy Award. The literacy award may be awarded to a member or non member. Please send suggestions to Gerie Kay ([geraldine\\_kay@comcast.net](mailto:geraldine_kay@comcast.net))

### **Legislation**

On Sunday, April 25, Zoom in to the State Convention Awards ceremony. Our Chapter's nomination for a Legislative Certificate of Appreciation, Michelle Mussman, will be recognized.

Register for the Convention.

To register go to the website at [www.deltakappagamma.org/IL/](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/IL/)

Scroll down to the second bullet in the list under

[What's New in Illinois](#)

[New 2021 DKG ISO Virtual Convention Information and Registration](#)

Complete the form.

### **Care Team News:**

Please contact [Glenda Klein-Mali](#) (and Kris Beaudette) 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 to be shared with your Gamma Gamma sisters.

Many of our chapter sisters have health issues or other situations they are dealing with which prevent them from coming to meetings. If you haven't heard from a Gamma Gamma sister in a while, please take a moment to call or email her. We can all do our part to check on our members and support them when they need us most.

To all our Gamma Gamma sisters, don't forget to let us know if you need our support-  
The Care Team

### **Opportunities**

Let us know if you have job or volunteer opportunities or significant items to sell (e.g cars, houses.) We can publish them here.

### **Kris' Corner**

I encourage you all to attend sessions from the virtual DKG-Illinois State Organization convention. Rumor has it that there will be a couple of music videos performed by Gamma Gamma chapter members. You have to tune in to find out who the performers are!

Spring is here and it is a joy to see the spring flowers growing and the grass is getting greener. We planted three trees last year and can't wait to see the blossoms on them. It won't be long!

Thank you so much for all of your committee work, your positive attitudes, your cooperation, and your enthusiastic participation in our Zoom meetings and service projects. Because of your efforts, our chapter is so outstanding.