



The Gamma Gamma Ray

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

January-February 2017

Dates to Remember:

Saturday, January 14th

HAPPY 50TH Gamma Gamma Chapter

Tuesday, February 14

DKG Meeting

Secrets Your Green Thumb Neighbor Might Not Be Sharing (see directory p.14)

Recommendations for Membership will be presented.

See attachment for Service Project Suggestions.

Thursday, March 16

DKG Meeting

Legislative Update –Guest speaker- Linda Lucke, Lambda State Legislative Chair (see directory p15)

Elections – Voting for new Gamma Gamma members

Tuesday , April 4

Candidates for Membership ‘ Get- Aquainted Tea” with Gamma Gamma Executive Board Members

Friday, Saturday, Sunday April 21, 22, 23, 2017

Lambda State Convention - Hilton St. Louis Frontenac, St Louis, Mo

Thursday April 27, 2017

Dove Chocolate Extravaganza (See directory p.16)

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

Sign in is your membership ID (see membership card)

Initial Password is dkg2014society

ATTACHMENTS

List of suggested items for Phil’s Friends our Service Project for Feb 14

Recipe for Rita Tweed’s Grape Salad as requested.

Obituary and note from JoAnn Bechtold

Convention Registration Information

Convention Volunteer list

Amtrack to St. Louis information

Legislative Information

Photos FMSC

FYI I have included attachments to this and previous newsletters to help organize the many details that come from State, International and our own chapter.

I am hoping that these attachments have been helpful. Open and read those that interest and apply to you. Let me know how this is working. GK

SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER!!!!!!

Auction Results

Attendance 52 members and 8 guests

Total funds \$4,046.50

This is \$490.80 more than last year and a record high.

Thanks to all who attended and worked to make this a success. The Program committee and Special Projects committee for the yummy buffet.(see attachment for requested recipe).

We scored \$\$ with our Garage/White Elephant sale table, especially with donations from Merna Folkers friend, Kathy Behrendt.

Our silent auction gift baskets were great! Pat Morris, mom of one of our past recruitment grant winners even sent in a basket for the auction on her own..

Many creative items for Elf on the Shelf added fun and \$\$\$\$.

Our 50/50 chance was won by Melissa Davis, our Lambda State guest. After winning, she proceeded to spend those winning funds on many live auction items.

What great auctioneers we had! Thanks, Rose Karner, Charlotte Weber and Carol McHale for your enthusiasm and talent in this endeavor.

Thanks for Rose Karner and the Program Committee for the organization of the evening.

FMSC

We celebrated the day of our 50th with a packing party at Feed My Starving Children in Schaumburg and had some social time at Jason's Deli. 196 boxes which will provide about 44,000 meals were prepared and are being sent to Zimbabwe. 40 DKG participants, family and friends were in attendance along with many other charitable individuals from other organizations. Thanks to all who donated money in loose change as well as personal checks to this organization to help feed others and fight world hunger.

Check out the hairnet photos in attachment 8.

DKG BOOK CLUB

The book club meeting, January 17th at Pasta Mia in Bartlett will discuss Ford County Stories by John Grisham . Sudah Byanna is the Hostess.

Rose Karner is Hostess for our next meeting. We will be reading the second recommended book from Lambda State . Ties that Bind by David Isay. There will be book discussion groups at Convention for this book and for The Nightingale which our club has already read.

Join in for our next Book Club meeting .

Contact: Rose or Mary Wrobel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With regret we announce the passing of JoAnn Bechtold's mother (see Obituary attachment) ,Julie Kenny's father and Stephanie Grande's mother-in-law.

Cards can be sent to their home addresses as listed in directory.

Mary Wrobel is home recovering from knee surgery (Jan5th). Cards and phone calls will keep her in good spirits.

Please keep me informed as to any other member's good or bad news so we can support each other in hard times and happy times.

OPPORTUNITIES

How does time in Florida sound?

A rental for a one bedroom condo at Saratoga Springs in Orlando is available March 5-12, 2017. Contact Maureen Briza for details.

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Here are a few updates on previous Service Projects.

PROJECT CURE on November 29, Sandy Cook, Rose Karner and Judy McGuire visited the Melrose Park Center to deliver contributions. DKG contributed 20 complete Kits for Kids and 4 bags of miscellaneous items. Judy brought a car full of supplies from the Affiliates of the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary in Batavia. What a great opportunity it is to share with other organizations in our common goals. GIRLS IN THE GAME – A fundraiser is being held February 23, 2017 6-9pm at the Intercontinental Chicago Magnificent Mile, 505 N. Michigan Ave.

This is the 22nd Anniversary of Field of Dreams Gala Heart of a Champion.

It consists of a cocktail reception, silent auction, dinner and awards ceremony.

If interested, contact dkobel@girlsinthegame.org or 312-633-4263.



January/February Birthdays

Here's another opportunity. Give them a call, send a card and/or reconnect with your DKG sisters.

1- 02 Tracy Cory	1-18 Stephanie Grande
1- 06 Melinda Jones	1-22 Amy Bouchard
1- 07 Sherry Magnuson	1-23 Rita Tweed
1- 07 Sally Scholler	2-15 Jane Martin
1-10 Felicia Cichy	2-16 Erin Felvey
1-10 Judy McGuire	2-22 Charlotte Weber
1-11 Kris Davenport	2-25 MaryAnn Bilski
1-11 Peggy Guire	2-26 Merna Folkers

GERIE'S GIVE AND TAKE

In preparation for the Lambda State Convention (April 21,22,23), all committees are charged with the task of creating items to be sold at the Chapter Bazaar. Profits from these sales are split between Lambda State (25%) and our chapter (75%).

Get those creative juices flowing and enjoy meeting as a committee or small groups to decide and make your items. If you can donate some craft item as an individual, it would also be appreciated.