



The Gamma Gamma Ray

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

April 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, April 3

Get Acquainted Tea for new members orientation at 4pm
And Executive Board meeting at 6 pm
At the home of Kris Beaudette.

Tuesday, April 10

Social Event / Fundraiser Thirty-One Gifts
At the home of Sandy Cook

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 20, 21, 22

Lambda State Convention:
The Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard, Illinois.

Tuesday, May 8

Spring Celebration of Membership Banquet – Bridges of Poplar Creek
3:15pm (See Attachment for information cost and RSVP's.)

Websites to Remember:

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. They can be found on the label of your new directory.*
- *To access the International website, sign in with your membership ID (See membership card). The initial password is dkg2014society. You will be asked to establish a personal password. Some areas are password protected.*

Attachments:

1. *May 8th Information
2. *Data Update
3. *Program Survey
4. *Love of Learning
5. Minutes of the March Meeting
6. Legislative Update

* These attachments require response either by mail or email or by bringing them to the May 8th event.

Explanation of the Attachments.

1. This is the invitation for the Spring Celebration on May 8th with details of the food choices and cost which needs to be sent to Carol McHale no later than April 20.
2. This form must be completed and returned to update your information for the Communications Committee.
3. This is the current survey of the programs. This will help in planning for the next biennium. Your input is needed and appreciated.
4. This form may be used for entry into the Chapter Awards – Love of Learning and Chapter Stipend. (See Chapter rules 5d3&4 posted on our website)
5. Minutes of the Chapter meeting, March 20
6. Legislative Update from State Legislative Chair –Linda Lucke

Attachments numbered 1-4 require your response.

March 20 Chapter Meeting

At our March Meeting we had 33 members present and 1 guest (our guest speaker, CEO of Ingage Unlimited). We thank and admire Judi King, our member, for sharing her experiences in Guatemala with Ingage Unlimited. Carolyn Muir, CEO of Ingage Unlimited was a guest at our meeting. We collected and presented Carolyn Muir with \$270.00 for the charity to be used as needed for their next mission trip.

We welcome the three new members voted into membership. Karyn Baldwin, Michelle Baldwin and Debra Hopp.

We congratulate our elected Executive Board Members for 2018-2020: President- Mary Wrobel, 1st VP -Rose Karner, 2nd VP -Mary Balk and Honora Quinn, Recording Secretary -Kris Beaudette, Corresponding Secretary- Sharon Froehlich, Treasurer -Linda Stolt, and parliamentarian - Linda Szymkowiak.

Art Mart at Convention 2018

Our participation at the Art Mart for Convention will support the M. Josephine O'Neil Art Award that is presented at the Lambda State Convention during the odd numbered years. This year's theme for the Art Mart is "Creative Wonders- Expect Great Things"

As of today, \$550.00 in gift cards has been donated by chapter members.

These cards will be divided into four category raffles representing four art forms – music, dance, drama and visual arts. Each raffle will have a value of more than one hundred dollars! The boxes for the raffle were provided and designed by Peggy Gire, Jane Born, JoAnn Bechtold and Karen DelVecchio. The gift card tree for the display was created by Jan Kayson. Thanks you to **all** for your support of this contribution.

Raffle Tickets will be sold at Convention: \$1 for one ticket, \$5 for three tickets.

Do you want to get in on the fun? If you would like to purchase pre-convention raffle tickets, contact or mail money to Rose Karner or Gerie Kay. We will enter the tickets for you at convention.

Lambda State Convention

It is not too late to register for the 83rd Annual Lambda State Convention at the Westin Yorktown in Lombard. Come and hang out with sisters from Illinois. This excellent location is close to home.

Friday, April 20:

Art Mart 6pm - 7pm.

Hospitality Room 6pm - 7pm.

Saturday, April 21:

Vendors Room 10:30am - 4 pm.

Art Mart 11:15-12:15 and 2 to 4:45pm.

Hospitality Room (*sponsored by the Cook County Coordinating Council*) 2pm to 5pm.

Sunday, April 22,

The Celebration of Life Service 8am.

The registration form is an attachment to your January newsletter, in the Winter 2017 Newscaster and on the Lambda State web site.

Working teachers should bring their IEIN# to get professional credit for any workshops attended. (This Illinois Education Identification Number identifies the individual for the Illinois State Board of Education).

Items being collected at convention.

1. Box Tops for Education- a lucky member from each area will be awarded all contributed box tops for a school in their area. We are in Area 1.
2. Old mascara – The Appalachian Wild Life Rescue Center uses the wands in these to clean fly eggs and other small things off rescued baby animals.

If you have any of these items give them to anyone going to the Convention.

Currently the following have indicated they are going: Gerie Kay, Jacqui Rothman, Mary Wrobel, Kris Beaudette, Adrienne Rovin, Cheryl, Rose, Sandy Cook or Denise Pawelczyk

DKG News Mar/Apr 2018 Special Amendments Edition

You may have received a newsprint copy of this document by mail. Rules will be voted on at the International Convention in July. I hope you looked it over before recycling it. I have read some of it. A portion of interest is at the very beginning. The voting body will vote on a name change for DKG. If approved the new name of the organization will be Women Educators International DKG. I will not be attending the convention but we could make our intentions known on this or any other change by contacting members that will be in attendance. For instance; Lambda State President, Chairs, (Teta Munizzo, Melinda Davis, etc. I expect to hear more about this at the State Convention.

Committees for 2018-2020

As we prepare for our next biennium, our committees will be meeting to discuss and decide upon their plan of work. If you would like to change your committee, please contact your committee chair and Mary Wrobel, your new president. Indicate which committee you would like to work with. Communications is in need of more members. New initiates will be placed on committees as needed.

Contact your committee chair if you can or cannot attend the meetings listed below.

Dates, Times and Places for Committee Meetings

Society Business: Tuesday, June 5, 2018, 9:30-12:00 at the home of Joan Gazdic.

Program: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 - 3:30 pm at Our Redeemer Methodist Church in Schaumburg. This is an after school meeting time chosen to accommodate our members who are actively teaching and want to attend the meeting. You do not need to be on this committee to attend and bring ideas for programs.

Membership:

Tuesday, June 5, 2018, 1:00pm at the home of Rose Karner.

Communications:

TO BE ANNOUNCED (Preferably, a Tuesday or a Thursday)

Educational Excellence

Service Projects: Thursday, June 7, 2018, 11:00-1:00 at Riccardo's (Held in conjunction with the Special Projects committee meeting. *Please plan on staying for lunch.*)

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Spring Celebration of Membership

Please respond no later than April 20 to the invitation for the Spring Banquet attached to this newsletter. Once again we will have this event at The Bridges of Poplar Creek. The planning committee has met and have some interesting plans for the **50 + 1** celebration of Membership.

Birthdays for April, May and June



April 07 Sue Werner, 10 Mary Hurd, 14 Mary Stitt, 21 Nancy Harmon

May 10 Julie Ehrhardt, 15 Mary Wrobel, 24 Pat Hannish, 27 Honie Quin, 31 Cindy Ward

June 12 Denise Pawelczyk, 19 Sandy Cook, 19 Cindy Nicholson, 23 Debbie Faems, 30 Mary Salee

Gerie's Give and Take

As I come to the end of my biennium as Gamma Gamma president, I look forward to Spring, Summer and some Golfing. I have enjoyed representing you all as president and have learned a lot over these two years. My hope is that our chapter continues to be strong, generous and loving sisterhood.

Thanks for all your support in 2016 – 2018.