



Gamma Gamma Ray



Newsletter of the Gamma Gamma Chapter

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March, 2022

Important Dates to Remember

Tuesday, March 15, 2022, Chapter meeting, 3:30 Social and setup, business meeting at 4:00, 4:30 program. Travelogue of Cambodia and Viet Nam, presented by our own Glenda Klein-Mali.

Thursday, April 7, 2022, Candidates for Membership “Get Acquainted Tea” and Executive Board Meeting. 4:00 Social for new members, sponsors, and Executive Board. 6:00 Executive Board meeting, at the home of Madelynn Brossard.

Friday, April 29-Sunday, May 1, 2022, DKG-ILSO Convention in Springfield, Illinois.

Thursday, May 5, 2022. Annual Spring Celebration of Membership at Poplar Creek Country Club.

May and June, 2022, Dates TBA, Annual committee planning meetings.

June 21-23, 2022, DKG-ILSO annual Creative Arts Retreat

August, 2022, date TBA, Semi-annual Gamma Gamma Executive Board meeting

Websites to Remember

(Hold down control key and click to activate link)

Gamma Gamma chapter: www.gammagamma75.org

Illinois State Organization: www.deltakappagamma.org/IL

International: www.dkg.org

Zoom links for DKG-ISO programs: www.ilsozoom.weebly.com (Note: this is a change.)

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

Committee leadership/chairpersons are always needed, and leadership development is available. We are always welcoming new leaders/chairpersons to our committees. If you would like to learn while being mentored, we can partner you up as a co-chair. This is a great way to learn about the operation of our organization. Please let Kris Beaudette or another board member know if this sounds intriguing to you.

It is always a good time to welcome new members to DKG. We hope you are thinking of Key Women Educators that you know that you might like to invite into membership. I have a few women in my circles that I am in the process of discussing membership. I hope you will do the same!

Please join us on the Zoom programs that are presented by DKG-ILSO. I have enjoyed many of these presentations, and they cover a large variety of topics. Check your weekly emails for more information.

Who needs money to pay for tuition or fees for a professional course, certification, or advanced degree that you are taking? There is a lot of money available through DKG-ILSO, DKG International, and also through the Iota Chapter. All you have to do is apply for it. Please let me know and we can help guide you through the process. We have the resources to help find and apply for this money, so just let me know.

Who needs money for special projects at your school? DKG-ILSO has grant money available. All you have to do is apply for it. Let us know and we can help.

Who wants to sing with us? A big Shout-Out goes to Mary Wrobel for serving as DKG ILSO State Music Chairperson! Please consider joining the Illinois State Jubilation Singers and plan to sing at the ILSO convention in April. We are always welcoming new singers of all voices and abilities to this choir. Mentoring is always available. Mary's email is MaryJWrobel5@gmail.com. And we have exciting news! Our own new member, Holley McKee, will be directing this fabulous choir. Come join us and check it out!

DKG-ILSO Convention is coming soon, Friday, April 29- Sunday, May 1, 2022. I hope you will join me and others from our chapter as we travel to Springfield, Illinois for this fun and informative time together. Check the Winter *Newscaster* for more information. Convention registration is on page 18 of the Winter *Newscaster*, or you can register online at the DKG-ILSO website, <http://deltakappagamma.org/IL/>

Book Club

The book selection for Tuesday March 22 is *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman. This book is described as a poignant comedy about a crime that never took place, a would-be bank robber who disappears into thin air, and eight extremely anxious people who find they have more in common than they imagined.

All Book Club meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. The link will be sent out closer to the meeting.

Recently passed meeting

We chose to cancel our Chapter meeting scheduled for February 17, 2022, due to the weather forecast of snow, ice, and bad driving conditions. I had warm thoughts of all of you while we all stayed home, safe and off the roads. We will cover all scheduled business items from that agenda at the March, 2022 meeting. Our February program will be rescheduled to the 2022-2023 program year.

Next meeting

We will be treated to a travelogue by our own Glenda Klein-Mali. Please see the Programs committee section for more information.

COMMITTEE REPORTING

Society Business (Finance, Rules, Research)- Joan Gazdic, jmtg@att.net

Please review the proposed revisions of the Gamma Gamma Rules (see attachment to this newsletter. Membership will be voting to approve these revisions at our February meeting. The revisions were drafted by the Rules Committee and approved by the Executive Board including the chairs of all committees.

Membership, Madelynn Brossard, rtb1445@yahoo.com

Our Membership Committee worked hard with nominations to develop a slate of officers for our next biennium, which begins June (or July) of 2022. We will be voting at the March, 2022 Chapter meeting on this slate of officers:

President - Rose Karner

Vice President - Madelynn Brossard

2nd Vice President - Rose Marie Mincey and Judie King

Treasurer - Linda Stolt

Recording Secretary - Sharon Froelich

Corresponding Secretary - Susan Watkins

Parliamentarian - Linda Szymkowiak

Do you know someone who would like to join our chapter and become a DKG sister? Please let Madelynn Brossard, Kris Beaudette, or any of the board members know. We would be happy to meet with them in person or on Zoom and discuss the joys and benefits of DKG membership.

Educational Excellence-Scholarship -Denise Pawelczyk, dreismom2@yahoo.com

Educational Excellence Committee--Scholarships (submitted by Denise Pawelczyk)

*CONGRATULATIONS to Jennifer Navarrete and Rachel Maniscalco, former Gamma Gamma collegiate members, for being recognized as Luba Johnson Memorial Outstanding Student Teacher Award recipients by the Cook County Coordinating Council. The CCCC awards ceremony will take place on Zoom, this Saturday, March 5th.

*A BIG THANK YOU to Mary Wrobel for volunteering to be one of our 2022 recruitment grant mentors! If anyone else is interested in joining our Gamma Gamma mentor-mentee community, please contact me at: dreismom2@yahoo.com.

*Please spread the word about our Gamma Gamma Recruitment Grant and Anne Fussell Recruitment Grant to any graduating female High School District 211 seniors that you know! Our chapter offers grants to young women who plan on majoring in education. The application is readily available on our website at: gammagamma75.org.

*Have you taken any classes this year, either for pleasure or for professional purposes? Our chapter offers the Gamma Gamma Chapter Scholarship and the Love of Learning Stipend. Both applications can be found on our website. Please note: Applications and evidence must be received by April 11th in order to be considered. Recipients will be notified at our May banquet.

Programs- Rose Marie Mincey rmincey@comcast.net / Judie King, judo1108@aol.com

On Tuesday, March 15, our own Glenda Klein-Mali will present what is sure to be a fascinating travelogue about her trip to Cambodia and Viet Nam. 3:30 - 4:30 is social time, set up and business meeting. We will begin at 4:30. This will be at St. Peter Lutheran Church at 202 E. Schaumburg Rd. in Schaumburg.

Communication, Cheryl Keifer, ckeifer@gmail.com

Please keep us informed of any contact information changes. Thanks!

Please feel free to post information about our chapter on our chapter's Facebook page, and also on the DKG-ILSO Facebook page. If you are uncertain about how to do this, please let Kris know and she can work with you to learn how to do it. By using Facebook, we have been able to share our successes with our chapters and help them to grow and thrive.

Service and Special Projects- Gerie Kay, Geraldine_kay@comcast.net

The Service Project for March is the collection of NEW socks and underwear for children in need, sizes 2T to 14. In the past, we have also collected pajamas, but this year will focus on the much needed items of new socks and underwear. Members in attendance will be welcome to select items for distribution to children in need at their school. Items will also be donated to the SD54 Community Closet. The coordinator of that program will distribute the items to various District 54 social workers for children in need. Thank you for your support.

Thank you to those who have sent in checks for our February Service project, which will benefit our **local chapter of Special Olympics**. Your cash contributions will be used to purchase much needed small soccer goals, shin guards, and soccer balls for their Unified Soccer Program. If you would like to donate to this cause, you can bring your check to the March chapter meeting, or you can mail checks to Linda Stolt, 1912 Quaker Hollow Ln., Streamwood, IL, 60107-1977. Checks should be made out to Delta Kappa Gamma and please write in the memo line: Special Olympics.

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 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

Keep us posted if you have major items to sell or rent (e.g: cars, vacation property, etc.) along with any job and/or volunteer opportunities that might be of interest to our members and their families and friends. We have a great network amongst our chapter sisters and we can use this network to help each other.

Kris' Corner

Do you remember those school projects about "March came in like a lion and came out like a lamb?" It looks like March came in like a lamb this year. I hope you have been able to get out and enjoy the milder temperatures. For those of you who were able to get away to warmer temperatures this winter, all I can say is, "I am jealous!"

I hope you will consider joining us at the DKG-ILSO convention in Springfield on April 29-May 1, 2022. We always have a great time together and it is fun to meet other DKG sisters from across all of Illinois. Our own members have prominent roles in the convention. Denise Pawelczyk, Sandy Cook, Karyn Baldwin, and Emilee Baldwin will be presenting. Hollie McKee will be directing the Jubilation Singers, and Mary Wrobel will be managing all things musical for DKG-ILSO and the Women in the Arts. Others of us that are attending, including Gerie Kay, Rose Karner, and Kris Beaudette, will be pitching in with tasks, such as manning our station in the Art Mart. Come join us! It is never too late to register. Same-day registration is available, and it is a great "Girls' Weekend."