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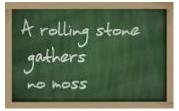
Mission Statement:

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Shaking it up!

This year, we are doing some very different things...

A Tuesday meeting; 2 non-catered meetings; a Saturday event; a performance just for us; a joint meeting with another chapter at Dawes; many, many wonderful new members.



August 2015

Moss will NOT be growing on us this year!

Make sure you read the entire newsletter, as there is a plethora of information. Because we have so many new members, there are lots of bits of information which are also a great reminder to the older members as well. Please remember that all information is on our website: http://gammasigmapc.weebly.com.

On to the news....

Diane Christensen, 2014-2016 Gamma Sigma President



Hey Ladies in an effort to expand our financial base outside the membership, we decided to have a try at the Oktoberfest in Somerset on October 3. We propose a type of rummage sale with high quality treasures from your attic, basement or garage. No clothes or shoes please! Bring seasonal decorations that you love, but of which you've grown tired. An old bench, a wood headboard or footboard. Collectibles like Longaberger? Designer handbags. Maybe a salt crock or wood plank chair, something that begs to be refinished. Or maybe you have a single brass candlestick? A silk flower arrangement...

If we could have 50 items and sell them for 5 bucks a piece, we could profit 250 dollars. Anything we make is profit since the Perry County Historical Society offered to waive the fee for our stand. *Bring your items to the September meeting* and Diane and I will load them up that night.

Any volunteers to man the booth (helping out Diane, Paula and Karen) that Saturday would be welcome. Anything that doesn't sell we will take to Goodwill unless otherwise specified.

Jane Kunkler, Gamma Sigma Treasurer

September meeting





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- Wear a name tag and DKG pin or "pay the price"! (see page 3)
- Pay dues of \$59 (active); \$29 (reserve) separately from the meal. (Checks to "Gamma Sigma")
- If you can't attend the meeting, mail your dues to Treasurer Jane Kunkler
- Bring an item or two for "Rustic Rummage" (see page 1)
- New members Pay dues of \$59 and initiation fee of \$10 (your sponsor will pay for your meal)
- RSVP by requested date.
- RSVP = pay for meal even if you end up not attending.
- Check the website so you know what committees you are on.



2015 Gamma Sigma Scholarship Winner Angela Hammond receiving her award from Treasurer Jane Kunkler 7/2/15



Chapter Leadership



This is the final year of service for most of the chapter officers, who have served for 2, 4, or 6 years. It is time to start contemplating who (YOU) will become the new officers next summer. If you take a look at the membership roster, you will see that 21 of our current members have served the chapter as officers in the past, and one was even a state officer.

The current officers decided it was important to deliniate what the various positions entail so each member can make an informed decision about which position might be where she can best help the chapter.

Here are the first two "job descriptions" (two more to come in the next newsletter) for positions that will need to be filled next year:

2nd Vice president

(2 year term, with option to become 1st vice president, then president. Karen Glade is serving her 2nd year in the position)

The second vice president's official duties include attending meetings to develop committees for the scheduled Gamma Sigma meetings. This includes assigning chairpersons and members as well as choosing dates, locations, and programs.

Although there are not many "official" duties, it is important for the second Vice President to volunteer to fill in as needed. If a specific committee needs extra help or a new idea needs support in order to become a reality, the second Vice President should be willing to take on the responsibility.

As the term progresses, the second Vice President should become familiar with all aspects of the organization in order to provide a smooth transition to the next level of the officer's table.

<u>Treasurer</u>

(2 year position. Current treasurer Jane Kunkler has served for 4 years)

receive and check membership report from International(Form 18)

make monthly financial reports to membership
reconcile monthly bank statements

work with membership committee to collect dues

order membership supplies
make annual report to State/International
report to IRS
deposit all monies
pay all bills
keep accurate records on file

- *keep accurate recoras on file*
- work with financial committee to create a budget
 attend executive meetings with other officers

Pins and Name tags

It is incredibly exciting to have so many new members in our chapter and we want everyone to get to know each other quickly, so....Make sure you wear a name



tag and your DKG pin to each meeting this year. In all honesty, some of the current members might be hard pressed to come up with everyone's name in a pinch and having that name tag on can be a life saver.

To make this a little fun, we will have a "swear jar" type of concept. If you don't wear a name tag (doesn't have to be the official DKG name tag – just something with your first and last name) you have to put 50ϕ in the jar at check-in and use an *unexciting* stick on name tag. Same thing with your DKG pin – if you don't wear it, 50ϕ goes in the jar.

The money might go to the scholarship, might go to the treasury, who knows, maybe we won't have any money in the jar by the end of the year – that would be GREAT!!!!! But wear those tags and pins or pay up!

Need to know for newbies... The November meeting



November is the fundraiser for our Scholarship. Members invite friends to attend the meeting, which is usually a lovely "pre-holiday rush" event with a touch of elegance. Each member brings one or more items to be raffled off that evening. Most of the items are holidays related, but that is not a requirement. Each attendee is encouraged to purchase raffle tickets to try to win some of the lovely offerings. New members – your sponsor will be glad to fill you in more – just ask. Everyone…start planning your fabulous raffle donations.

October meeting...something different

Our October meeting at Crooksville will be a "working" meeting. We will have light finger foods instead of a catered meal, a VERY quick business meeting and then at around 6:30 members may choose from an egg art workshop with the wonderful Egg artist Harry Wilson who presented at the May meeting or working on tying blankets for foster children placed with Perry County Children and Family Services.

Harry will be teaching us how to use "raised prints" to decorate eggs and the workshop should take about 1 ½ hours. The cost for the egg decorating kit will be \$20.

We hope that most members will choose to take the egg workshop, but decided to offer the blanket tying project as an option so everyone would hopefully find a good reason to make sure she did the drive to Crooksville.

Over the river and through the wood...carpooling

Did you know that some of your DKG sisters are hesitant to drive in the evening and to neighboring school districts? Please look at the member list and consider carpooling with sisters who live close to you. A great place for Northern folk to gather for the trips to Crooksville and New Lex is Holy Trinity school parking lot. Perhaps there are logical places for the trips from Crooksville and New Lex. Let's make sure every member that wants to attend feels safe to do so!

Committees and Hostesses

Every member of Gamma Sigma is essential to the running of meetings. Each member is on a hostess committee each year and serves on one standing committee during a two year period. Please make sure you check the website to find your name for a hostess committee and on your regular committee. Some changes were made this year to accommodate our new members. New members, you are only on either a hostess committee or a standing committee. http://gammasigmapc.weebly.com/