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#### Mission Statement:

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

## **Christmas Auction Breaks Records**

On November 21st we held our annual holiday auction which supports our Grant in Aid to a Perry County senior going into the field of education.

Thanks to all of you who brought guests. We had 71 reservations. WOW!!! Thanks too for all the



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great auction items donated by YOU to support this project.

The food and fellowship were great, the decor beautiful and the auction so much fun. Thanks again to the Special Projects Committee for doing a great job organizing and running the auction and the hostesses for the beautiful tables.



But, the real winners that evening will be the recipient of our Grant in Aid to be awarded this Spring...

I am pleased to report that we raised \$1020.00 for this project.

### Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Linda Geyer, President Gamma Sigma

# **New Members**

In the fall we were pleased to induct four new members into Gamma Sigma.

\* **Sharon Cannon**, a first grade teacher and a member of the first grade literacy team at Glenford Elementary.

\* **Melissa Marolt**, director of the Perry County District Library.

\* **Betsy Martin**, a retired teacher and board member of the Ohio Thespians and the Ohio Education Association Hall of Fame.

\* **Robin Powell**, a Business Education and technology teacher for Northern Local.



September 26, 2016 Induction Pictured left to right: Robin Powell, Betsy Martin, and Melissa Marolt absent: Sharon Cannon (inducted at the October meeting)

#### **Reservations Reminder**

# PLEASE honor your reservations.

Once we give the caterer a number we are obligated to pay for that number of meals. We have some meals that were not paid for at the last few meetings. You are responsible to pay for your meal once the reservation is made, whether you get to the meeting or not. These meals then have to come out of our treasury.

Please reimburse our treasury (Jenny Mohler) if you couldn't make a meeting. We understand things come up.

*PLEASE* honor your reservations.

# Happy Birthday Perry County

2017 will be a great year in more ways than one with Perry County celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> birthday. In 1817 the county was formed from Fairfield and Muskingum counties; the agreement was signed in early 1818, hence some questions pertaining to the year.



The Perry County Bicentennial Committee was formed in 2016 with persons from every village in the county planning a year-long birthday party. A logo contest was held and the first-place logo will be used in designing Bicentennial signs to be placed in each village. An event calendar is being developed to showcase all celebrations.

New Gamma Sigma member Betsy Martin has written a play centered on personages from Perry County's past. At the April 24th meeting of Gamma Sigma, we will see vestiges of the play, which was based on Bob Frame's book *The Liar's Bench*.

Lena Bowman Historical Records Committee



# Our Rustic Rummage Sale was once again a success.

Thanks to all of you who donated items to sell and to the members who donated their time to be at the sale in October during the Thornville Country Fair.

A big thanks to member Margaret Wilkins who generously let us set up in her front yard again this year.

It was a beautiful day, unlike last year. No coats and mittens needed, only a little sunscreen and some bottled water.

We were able to raise \$213.60 to go toward our service projects. Thanks again!



# Bloom and Grow in 2017 Upcoming Meetings and Programs

February 27<sup>th</sup> - Crooksville K8 Library Melody Blake, hostess chair Catered dinner World Fellowship Night Global Responsibilities



March 27<sup>th</sup> - New Lexington High School Nancy Caniff, hostess chair Pizza night Blankets of Love Night for Perry County foster

children

#### April 24<sup>th</sup> - Sheridan HS

\$2 Grab bags

Sharon Cains, hostess chair Catered dinner Perry County Bicentennial Night \*Guest Night\*

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Crooksville First Hope United Methodist Church

Barb Behrendt, hostess chair Catered dinner Founder's Day, Membership, Necrology