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Mission Statement:

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

President's Message 2017

This year brings a new biennium for Alpha Delta State. New Alpha Delta State president Meier Bauer has chosen a new state theme:

“To Dream, To Dare, To Do - Empowering Women Educators”

The Gamma Sigma officers met on June 28th to plan for the 2017-2018 year. Venues, hostesses and programs were scheduled. Committee assignments remain the same for this year.

We are pursuing a new additional scholarship/service project. We are hoping to add the Be Wise Camp to our list of service. Several of the officers met with Molly Tharp from Alpha Psi and AAUW to gather more information on this worthwhile project. It should be a great service filled year.

Mona Kiener met with our new members for orientation in July.

We sure hope to see you at our kick off meeting in September when we will welcome our incoming members.



Linda Geyer and the officers of Gamma Sigma

TO DREAM, TO DARE, TO DO

Delta Kappa Gamma, Gamma Sigma Chapter is a non-profit service organization that supports children, learning and personal growth. We will be supporting the following projects in the coming year.

1. Recognition of all EYTs in Perry County
2. Making blankets for foster children under Perry County Children's Services
3. Continued literature project with Help Me Grow/books for babies
4. Annual World Fellowship Project
5. \$750 Grant in Aid for a Perry County High School college bound senior
- *6. New scholarship and support for the Be Wise Camp STEM program for 6th-7th grade girls
7. Please share your time and talents by volunteering in our schools and libraries.



Treasurer Notes:

I am so proud to serve again as your treasurer for the 2017-18 year. This past year has been a learning experience, and I approach this year with a little more confidence but still with some trepidation! I would like to say thank you for all your help and understanding as I learned the job! It is a big responsibility, and I am preparing for this new year.

One of the things I learned last year was how hard it is to collect dues in a timely manner. So please help me out! The deadline to send in the dues to State and National is early November.

Meeting this deadline is one of the components for receiving the Gold Key and I do not want to be that treasurer that cost us this honor!

I would like to have dues collected by our October meeting on October 23rd. You can choose to mail your dues to Jenny Mohler, PO Box 100, Thornville, Oh 43076 or pay at the September or October meetings. As we did last year, anyone who pays their dues prior to and including the September meeting will be entered in a drawing. The winner gets their dinner paid! If you win and are not able to be at the September meeting, you can use it at another meeting!

Alpha Delta voted to increase state dues this year. The increase is \$3.00 for active members and \$1.00 for reserves. Therefore, active member dues are \$62.00, reserve members are \$30.00, and new inductees are \$72 (includes a one-time \$10 fee).

Another item of concern is paying for your meal if you make a reservation and then do not attend. I understand things happen at the last minute and there are times we just cannot be there. I think most of you are aware it is in our bylaws that when you make a reservation and you cannot attend, you still need to pay for the meal. I do appreciate all of you that have paid in a timely manner! I want to make sure everyone understands this policy. Last year we had \$108.00 of meals for which we were not paid. This year when this happens, we will send out a friendly reminder with the amount due. It would help if you payed me directly or make sure the hostess committee makes a note that you are paying for a prior meal.

Again I look forward to serving as your treasurer!

Jenny Mohler

Gamma Sigma 2017 Grant in Aid Recipient

Our Perry County Grant in Aid recipient is Miss Cassey Rollison. She will receive \$750 toward her college education. Cassey graduated from Crooksville High School and will pursue a degree in education at Ohio University. She would like to teach at the middle school level.

In high school, Cassey was a leader. She was a member of student council, National Honor Society, yearbook, and played both volleyball and basketball. Her teachers stated that she is self motivated, and despite taking advanced Dual Enrollment College classes, remained on the Honor Roll.

We wish her well as she pursues her dream at Ohio University to become a valued teacher.



Service in Action – Early Literacy



From Susan Wills: The literacy committee collected over 60 board books and picture books from the DKG members at the April and May meetings. These books were recently turned over to Cindy Aiello, of the Perry County Help Me Grow program. The Help Me Grow staff will distribute the books to expectant mothers and new mothers, both at baby showers sponsored by area churches, and at home visits. An additional chunk of books will be available to donate in the near future once 12 boxes of books, which were donated by Half Price Books of Westerville, are sorted through. The literacy committee will hold another book collection in March at our Night of Service meeting. Thank you to all members who participated in helping to get books in the hands of first time mothers with infants.



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Dear Friends of Early Literacy,

We received your generous donation of books through member Melissa Marolt this past week and would like to express our sincere gratitude. The books were varied, fun, interesting and perfectly suited to early learners. We will be delivering them on our regular home visits to families, and consequently equipping them with the tools they need to ready their children for school. Besides that, these books give opportunities for parents to bond with their children, encourage new and exciting skills in their little ones, and open them to new worlds of adventure! Due to limited resources, many of the families in our programs would not be able to supply their children with books that they can reach for familiarly in the home, books they'll remember into adulthood, books that can change their lives. Your donation helps make this possible, and with that, thank you just doesn't seem enough.

Continued best in all you do. Your efforts will help to build healthy readers, families and citizens in our community.

Sincerely, ~

Cindy Aiello, Perry County Board of Developmental Disabilities

**HOW DO YOU DO?
DO YOU JUST BELONG?**

Are you an active member,
That would be missed
Or are you just contented
That your name is on the list?

Do you attend meetings
And mingle with the flock
Or do you stay home
And criticize and knock?

There's quite a program
scheduled
That I'm sure you've heard about
And we will all appreciate it
If you'll come and help us out!

So come to meetings often
And help with hand and heart,
Don't be just a member
Dig in and do your part.

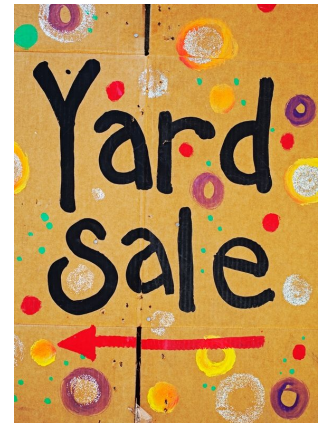
Think this over sister
You know right from wrong
Are you an active member,
Or do you "just belong?"

(Author Unknown)

RUSTIC RUMMAGE 2017

This year we will once again take part in the Thornville Country Fair on the 3rd weekend of October. Margaret Wilkins has once again graciously offered her front yard as a space for our Rustic Rummage Sale.

Last year's profits helped fund our Grant in Aid for Perry County high school college bound seniors. We have added several additional scholarships and service projects over the past few years, therefore we can use all the funding we can raise.



We are again asking for quality treasures from your attic, basement, or garage. NO clothes or shoes please! It can be seasonal and other decor, baskets, purses, refinishable furniture...Anything we make as profit will be used to fund our service projects.

Please bring your items to the Sept. 25th meeting and we will store them until the sale. If you have larger items, you can bring them early on the day of the sale.

Volunteers to help the day of the sale are needed!!!!

*Unsold items will be donated to Goodwill unless otherwise specified.

SEPTEMBER 25th MEETING

Our first meeting of the 2017-2018 year will be held on September 25th at 6:00 at the Crooksville K-8 Library.

It will be an evening to kick off a new year as Gamma Sigma sisters and welcome our new members, ***Amy Chamberlin and Katrina Carpenter.***

Come early, pay your dues, and fellowship with your Gamma Sigma sisters!



DKG Website Log In.....

Log in at: www.dkg.org

User name: your six digit ID number
(on your membership card)

Default password is: dkg2014society

Remember: change to a preferred password after log in

Gamma Sigma Meetings 2017-2018

Date	Location	Program	Hostess Chair	Hostess Members
9/25/17	Crooksville K-8 Library	Ceremonies/ Necrology Committee (Initiation)	Kaye Noce	Mary Ann Headley Barb Behrendt Melody Blake Pat Neader Melissa Marolt
10/23/17	New Life Baptist Church Thornville	Scholarship Committee (Be Wise Camp)	Jenny Mohler	Barb Ulmer Susan Wills Janet Koehler-Wade Linda Shaeffer Sharon Cannon Julie Ward Paula Starner
11/20/17	Sheridan High School	Special Projects Committee (Auction)	Margaret Wilkins	Luann Cooperrider Jane Kunkler Sue Ellen Simmons Virginia Mick Robin Powell Tammy Westinbarger Lindsay Sheridan Linda Davis Kate Simmons Marilyn Fehrman Diane Christensen Tiffany Shaeffer
<i>There will be no February meeting this year!</i>				
3/26/18	New Lexington High School	Literacy, Personal Growth/Service, Grant, Nominations Committees	Deb Adam	Carla Sherlock Katrina Carpenter Toni Harper Kathy Young Shelley Wollenberg Nancy Canniff
4/23/18	Perry County Behavioral Choices New Lexington	World Fellowship Committee	Karen Newlon	Mona Kiener Betsy Martin Billie Hoag Taundra Householder Alanda Christian Lena Bowman Janine Holekamp
5/21/18	First Hope United Methodist Church Crooksville	Historical Records and Ceremonies/Necrology Committees	Jody Cannon	Linda Geyer Phyllis Riser Amy Chamberlin Shirley Clark Heather Desguin