



## Hurricanes Harvey and Irma

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the victims of Hurricane Harvey which struck the Texas and Louisiana areas at the end of August and set new records for rainfall in the Houston area. Major flooding has delayed the start of schools as officials assess damage to buildings and cleanup from flood waters begins. Damage from Irma remains to be seen as she moves up the west Coast of Florida.

For additional information about supporting relief efforts through the DKG Emergency Funds see page 4.

### September Meeting Update

The September Gamma meeting will take place at the Spaghetti Warehouse, 397 W. Broad Street at 5:00 p.m. We were unable to reserve the Granger Audubon Center due to changes in their rental fees.

### Chapter Dues Due by

#### October 15th

Checks should be made out to Gamma Chapter. (see page 2 for details)

Please mail your check to

Gamma Chapter

c/o Michele Koenig 8190 Havens Road.

Blacklick OH 43004.

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

### SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- ◆ Miriam Hinton September 17
- ◆ Linda Wright September 30
- ◆ Mary Cardinal October 3
- ◆ Marilyn Schwenk October 7th
- ◆ Liz Biglin October 8
- ◆ Marty Schwarz October 12
- ◆ Willa Mullins October 13

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*President's Message*

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Just like students we too are beginning a new year for Gamma. I want to encourage ALL Gamma sisters to become involved. I certainly hope to provide a more involved leadership this year.

You will notice some changes made by Alpha Delta State for this biennium. One being the increase in dues which brings our active dues to \$69 and reserve dues to \$33. Also they are sending out a monthly newsletter by e-mail. For those of you who have e-mail, watch for the monthly newsletter from the state editor Margaret Archangel. Her e-mail address is [cincimaggie@gmail.com](mailto:cincimaggie@gmail.com). For those of you who do not have access to e-mail, I will see that you receive a paper copy.

Judy Valentine

**Membership News**

Joan Roettger has moved and will be transferring to another DKG chapter.

Her new address is  
503 West German St.  
New Knoxville, OH 45871  
Cell phone: (614)893-3710  
Email: [roettgerj@gmail.com](mailto:roettgerj@gmail.com)

Janet Halter's brother is ill. Keep her family in your thoughts and prayers.



**2017 Chapter Dues**

Full time — \$69

Reserve— \$32

Our dues include a \$2 assessment for funding Grant-in-Aid (GIA). Previously, we took collections to raise funds for this project. If you wish to contribute more, please include it in your dues check with a note in the memo line that additional funds are for GIA.

The breakdown for active dues are

International dues—\$40.00

State Dues—\$13.00

Scholarship—\$1.00

Chapter dues—\$5.00

Chapter assessment—\$8.00

Grant-in-Aid assessment \$2.00

Member dues support DKG International, State, and chapter level expenses.

*Gamma Chapter*

Judy Valentine -President

Linda Wright - First Vice-President

Linda Ruehrmund - Second Vice-President

Co-Recording Secretaries - Dorotha Fuhrman

Corresponding Secretary - Janet Howson

Treasurer— Michele Koenig

Parliamentarian - Joanne Katonak

Newsletter editor- Michele Koenig

Webmaster- Ellen Clark

## Executive Board

The Executive Board will meet Tuesday, September 13th at 4:45, before the meeting to approve the 2017-18 budget.

## *Committees*

### COMMUNICATIONS

Redbook Update—Redbooks will be ready to pick up at the October meeting.

You will need to know your membership number (found on your Membership card) if you need to access some information on the DKG International Website.

### EDUCATION EXCELLENCE

The Education Excellence committee met in June following the June meeting to plan the programs for the upcoming year.

### FINANCE

Finance committee met in August to prepare the budget for 2017-18. The budget will be submitted to the Executive Committee prior to the September meeting for approval and presented to the chapter at the September meeting. Finance committee members are Katherine Wheeler, chair, Michele Koenig, Sandra Trask-Tyler and Judy Valentine.

## Spring Newsletter Deadline

Original articles, photos, stories or poems for the April Gamma Newsletter need to be submitted to Michele Koenig by March 15th, 2018

## GRANT-IN-AID

If you know of any deserving new teachers that would be interested in applying for Gamma's Grant-in-Aid, please direct them to our website or give them a Scholarship application which will be available at our fall meetings.

## *DKG Northeast Regional Convention*

Katherine Wheeler and Michele Koenig attended the Northeast Regional Convention in Windsor, Ontario, Canada July 13 and 14th. They will share some of their experiences at a future Gamma chapter meeting.



(photo courtesy of Michele Koenig)

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**REMEMBER WE ARE ON THE  
WEB AT  
GAMMAOHIO.COM**

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## Meeting Highlights

**May**— Eight members of Gamma chapter attended the Founders' Day Banquet.

**June**— Tim Koenig share his experiences of visiting Africa and climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro in February of 2016.



(photo courtesy Tim Koenig)

Linda Ruehrmund led the Necrology Ceremony for Eileen Young. The chapter also discussed chapter projects and funding for the next year. The meeting concluded with a potluck.

## Supporting our DKG sisters in need.

Donate to the DKG Emergency Fund to help those members impacted by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

To contribute to the Emergency Fund by credit card, go to [https://www.dkg.org/DKGDONATE/DKGDONATE/Donate\\_to\\_DKG.aspx](https://www.dkg.org/DKGDONATE/DKGDONATE/Donate_to_DKG.aspx)

If you would prefer to make a donation by check, please download Form -43. Mail this form with your check to the address listed on Form-43. As additional information becomes available about how best to help chapters and members as they recover from the hurricane, Headquarters personnel will spread the word and help make the connections that so well illustrate the spirit of DKG.



View across the river of Detroit, Michigan from Windsor, Ontario. (photo by Michele Koenig)

**NOVEMBER–MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- ◆ Linda Ruehrmund November 4
- ◆ Bev Fatig November 23
- ◆ Eileen Young December 8
- ◆ Cathy Jones December 21
- ◆ Janet Howson December 31
- ◆ Mariruth Seubert December 31
- ◆ Sherry Grimes January 4
- ◆ Judy McDonalds January 11
- ◆ Joanne Katonak January 17
- ◆ Janet Halter February 15
- ◆ Mary Anne Wiedenheft February 21
- ◆ Joan Roettger February 28
- ◆ Virginia Cermelj March 3
- ◆ Sarah Hayes March 12
- ◆ Michele Koenig March 19



Banquet NE Regional  
Photo by Michele Koenig

**Upcoming Meetings**

**Saturday, October 14, 2017 10:00 a.m.**

Columbus Metropolitan Library

96 S. Grant Avenue

Main Library Tour

Hostesses: Sandie Trask-Tyler

Thought for the Day: Sandie Trask-Tyler

Lunch: Box Lunch

**Saturday, November 18, 2017 9:30 a.m.**

MCL Kingsdale

3154 Kingsdale Center

Upper Arlington, 43221

It's Not Over When You Leave: 7 Truths  
about Domestic Violence

Speaker: Denice Kontras

Hostesses: Alida Pletcher,

Linda Ruehrmund

Thought for the Day: Bev Fatig

Lunch: MCL Kingsdale

**Saturday, December 9, 2017 10:00 a.m.**

Capital University - Convergent Media  
Center

590 College Ave. Bexley, 43209

Tour of Convergent Center -

World Fellowship Collection

Hostesses: Michele Koenig, Bev Fatig

Thought for the Day:

Michele Koenig

Meal: 11:30 a.m., Giant Eagle, Bexley

**Saturday, February 10, 2018 -10:00 a.m.**

Pizutti Art Collection

632 N. Park St. Columbus 43215

**Pizzutti Art Collection** –Mark Zuzik

Hostesses: Cathy Jones

Thought for the Day: Katherine Wheeler

Meal: TBD

## Gamma Chapter Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2017

The June Gamma Meeting was held at the home of Michele Koenig at 8190 Havens Road, Blacklick, Ohio. Chapter President, Judy Valentine, called the meeting to order at 4:30 and thanked the hostesses for the day, Michele Koenig and Sandi Trask-Tyler.

Liz Biglin gave the thought for the day giving colorfully interesting guidelines for experiencing a poem to the fullest. Unfolding and absorbing a poem takes time and one's full attention.

Tim Koenig gave the presentation for the day sharing his experiences while climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest point in Africa. His talk and accompanying pictures were very interesting and educational. Tim had traveled through the Sierra Club which sponsors environmentally-friendly adventure travel across the United States and abroad.

Michele Koenig moved and Mary Cardinal seconded that the April minutes be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Treasurer, Michele Koenig, read the financial report for the months of April and May. The current checking balance at the end of May was \$2,588.40. Michele also read an invitation for any or all of us to attend the private reception of the youth film festival we are helping to sponsor.

Corresponding Secretary, Jan Howson, read a letter from the DKG Society International acknowledging the passing of our chapter member, Eileen Young.

First Vice-President, Linda Wright, circulated a sign-up sheet for various duties for 2017-2018. She reported that the Executive Board will meet following the meeting this evening and again in September to plan the 2017-2018 chapter programming for the year.

Mary Cardinal, Scholarship Chairperson, reported that applications for scholarships need to be submitted by November 1st.

Friendship Chairman, Cathy Jones, shared that Rosemary Conroy's sister had passed.



(June 2017 minutes continued)

Under unfinished or old business, Joanne Katonak moved and Mary Ellen Angeletti seconded that we again give the HOPE Human Trafficking Coalition the sum of \$300 for the S.O.A.P. program this coming year. During the discussion it was discovered that S.O.A.P. won't be continuing next year. Subsequently, the motion failed. Liz Biglin moved and Mary Ellen Angeletti seconded a motion to use the \$300 for a 2017-2018 chapter project to be decided in the fall. Motion carried.

Linda Ruehrmund led a lovely In Memorium Necrology for beloved longtime DKG member, Eileen Young. During her many years of service she held several positions in our local chapter and on the State level as well. She is and will be very much missed.

The Delta Gamma Song was sung and the meeting was adjourned.

A potluck and time of fellowship to celebrate the chapter's birthday will follow the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Dorotha Fuhrman, Recording Secretary



Gardens outside Caesars' palace in Windsor, Ontario, Canada (photo by Michele Koenig)