

GAMMA NEWS



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Thistles in the Spring by Dr. Elizabeth (Liz)
Biglin This was part of her artistic works shown
at Inniswoods this past January (photo of
painting by Liz Biglin used with permission.)

June Gamma meeting has been changed.

Gamma will not be taking the train trip this year. We will be meeting at the Party House at Judy Valentine's condo on Saturday, June 9th where will be installing our new officers and celebrating Gamma's 80th birthday.

Founders' Day Reservations

Make checks for \$30 to Gamma Chapter and send them to Michele Koenig, 8190 Havens Road, Blacklick, OH 43004. See pg. 3 for details.

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

APRIL THROUGH MAY BIRTHDAYS

- ♦ Esther Panning April 1
- ♦ Bev McPherson April 11
- ◆ Judy Valentine April 17
- ♦ Katherine Wheeler April 18
- ♦ Dorotha Fuhrman May 7
- ♦ Ellen Clark May 17
- ♦ Carol Keifer May 29

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President's Message

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It wasn't until Michele called me to say that she was working on the spring newsletter, that I realized the 2016-2018 biennium



was swiftly coming to a close;

As the saying goes "Time flies when you are having fun." I can't truthfully say that all of this biennium was "fun".

I know there were times when my focus was not on Gamma as it should have been. However, with your help and support, meetings were held and fantastic projects were completed. When we found ourselves on the steering committee for Alpha Delta State and in charge of Founder's Day with Gamma Mu, you once again came through.

I can't tell you how much I appreciated the support of my Gamma sisters the past two years.

I am confident that Gamma will continue strong under our new leadership elected in February.

Judy Valentine

Membership News

Congratulations to Reba Barney (formerly Kanning) who got married to Fred Barney on Dec. 1st. Reba's address, phone number, and email remain the same.

Joanne Katonak is home recovering from her knee replacement surgery.

Sara Herfel has a new apartment number # 1016. She is recovering from her fall.

Mary Guinther has moved. Her new address is Friendship Village 6000 Riverside Drive Apt B429 Dublin, OH 43017. Her email and phone number remain the same.

Michele Koenig is almost done with her radiation treatments following her lumpectomy for breast cancer. She sends her thanks for the cards.

Gamma Chapter

President - Judy Valentine

First Vice-President - Linda Wright

Second Vice-President - Linda Ruehrmund

Co-Recording Secretaries - Dorotha Fuhrman and

Janet Halter

Corresponding Secretary - Janet Howson

Treasurer – Michele Koenig

Parliamentarian - Joanne Katonak

Newsletter editor - Michele Koenig

Webmaster - Ellen Clark

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Committees

EDUCATION EXCELLENCE

Linda Wright announced that the June meeting was changed due to the number of members who would not be able to go. The planning meeting will follow the June meeting.

NOMINATIONS

Maryellen Angeletti was able to complete the slate of officers and presented it at the February Meeting where members voted to approved the nominations.

SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship Committee awarded Katherine Wheeler \$ 130.80 to help cover the cost of attending the Northeast Regional Convention in Windsor, Ontario

GRANT-IN-AID

Dorene Henschen reported that we have two applicants for the Grants-in-Aid. Kailey Oehler is a Spanish teacher in the Upper School in Wellington. Tia Tyler teaches Special Education at Whittier. Each recipient will receive a \$100 grant this year and will be eligible for a second \$100 grant next year if they attend a meeting to share how the grant was used.

Gamma Officers announced.

Congratulations to the Gamma members who will be serving our chapter over the next biennium.

Co-Presidents: Dorene Henschen

Linda Ruerhmund

Vice President: Sandra Trask-Tyler

Recording Secretary: Esther Panning

Maryanne Weidenheft

Corresponding

Secretary: Janet Howson

A special thank you to Maryellen for all of her hard work securing this slate of officers.

FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Tall Timbers Conference Center 13831 National Road S.W. Reynoldsburg, OH (Gamma is hosting with Gamma Mu)

Registration 6:00 Dinner 6:30

Buffet Dinner (pork loin, vegetable lasagna, salad, rolls, side dish and dessert)

Cost—\$30

Mailed checks (made out to Gamma) must be **postmarked by April 12th** and sent to Michele Koenig, 8190 Havens Road, Blacklick OH 43004.

Meeting Highlights

September— The chapter had a business meeting at the Spaghetti Warehouse.

October— The chapter had a wonderful tour of the renovations of the Columbus Metropolitan Library downtown.

November— Denice Kontras provided a very informative program about her experiences as an abused woman and provided signs to look for to help others leave abusive situations.

December— Steve Bruning gave a tour of the Convergent Media Center at Capital University where students are using technology to learn broadcasting and computer technologies to use for informational media.

February— Gamma visited the Pizutti Art Collection.

March—Joanne Katonak presented a program on Coloring for Relaxation

[Below] Gamma members work on coloring at the March meeting. *Photo by Michele Koenig used with permission*.



Upcoming Meetings

April 13-15 — Alpha Delta State Convention

Polaris Hilton, Columbus. Details were sent out via email from Alpha Delta State on Feb. 8th. You can use the link ADS Convention 2018 Registration on The Voice to register online or to download the registration form. Gamma passed a motion to pay the registration fee (\$35) for each chapter member who plans to attend. Members will be responsible for paying for any meals they plan to attend. Registrations need to be postmarked by March 23rd to avoid a late fee(\$15) Gamma is responsible for helping with registration and greeting. Check with Judy Valentine to see when you are signed up to help.

Wednesday, May 9

Founders' Day Banquet Tall Timbers Conference Center. 6:00 registration See page 3 for complete details.

Saturday, June 9

Officer Installation and Gamma Birthday Celebration Potluck at Judy Valentine's. 10:00

Saturday, September 15

Docent Tour of CMOA gallery

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Chapter Projects

Our chapter collected books in October, November, and December to take to food pantries to distribute to families who have children. Gamma collected 185 books.





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[Above] Feminine Supplies donated by Gamma members at the February Meeting (Photo by Sandra Trask-Tyler. Used with permission)

[Below] Feminine Supplies donated by Gamma members at the March Meeting (Photo by Michele Koenig. Used with permission)

Chapter Projects (continued) Hygiene products were collected at the February and March 2018 meetings to go to schools for those girls who need them so that they can attend school. Sandi Trask-Tyler used the \$150.00 from the Kathy Thomas Fund to buy most of the products in February. The collection total was 61 items, which includes a donation (1 box of several items) from our visiting Grant in Aid Teacher Tia Tyler. Gamma Chapter partnered with God's Hygiene project lead by Diane Hendrickson of Columbus Education Association -Retired (CEA-R) who collects personal items for the homeless for CEA-R. Diane's God's Hygiene is a project of Upper Arlington Lutheran Church. Katherine Wheeler (member of UALC) delivered the February and March donations to the Ministry Center at the Lytham Rd. church campus, and notified Diane that they were ready for pickup.



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JUNE THROUGH AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- ♦ Mary Guinther June 12
- ♦ Sara Herfel July 20
- ♦ Dorene Henschen July 21
- ♦ Martha Poland July 26
- ♦ Sandie Trask-Tyler August 1
- ♦ Rosemary Conroy August 12
- ♦ Angie Clark August 16
- ♦ Mary Ellen Angeletti August 24
- ♦ Alida Pletcher August 25



Grant-in-Aid recipient Tia Tyler shared a poster at the March meeting showing the Legos that she uses in her Special Education class to reinforce concepts such as multiplication. She will use the remaining funds for her growing plants unit.

Executive Board highlights

The Executive Board met prior to the February meeting to discuss a trial for two Co-Presidents with a Vice-President for our chapter leadership. Due to busy schedules and travels of potential officer nominees, the Nominations Committee chair, Mary Ellen Angeletti, was unable to secure a member who was able to serve as President. However, the committee checked to see if there were members who would be willing the share the duties of President. Dorene Henschen and Linda Ruehrmund agreed to be Co-Presidents for Gamma with Sandra Trask-Tyler as Vice President. The duties listed in our chapter Standing Rules for President, First Vice President and Second Vice President will allocated to the two Co-Presidents and Vice President to assure all duties are covered. The Co-Presidents will determine who will run each meeting depending on their schedules.

This change will be for this biennium and then evaluated at the end of the biennium to see if this model will meet chapter needs.

GAMMA NEWSLETTER HELP NEEDED

Michele Koenig is asking for help as the Gamma newsletter editor. Faced with recovering from breast cancer, she has found it necessary to cut back on some commitments to focus on getting well. Committee chairpersons need to submit committee reports for the newsletter. Summaries of the meetings also need to be written and sent to Michele.

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Gamma Meeting Minutes February 10, 2018

The February meeting was held at the Pizzuti Collection Art Gallery at 632 N. Park St., Columbus 43215. As 16 members gathered for the meeting, Katherine Wheeler presented the thought for the day. She read an inspirational article on choosing the positive choices in the many opportunities presented in all areas of life each day.

Members were then taken on an hour tour of the Prizzuti Art Displays. It was very interesting and informative.

President Judy Valentine then opened the business meeting. She thanked the hostesses, Janet Halter and Cathy Jones.

The December minutes needed a couple of corrections. Reba Kanning "was" married in December - not "going to be." The last two sentences in the paragraph about Grants-in-Aid were retracted. Janet Halter moved and Linda Wright seconded that the minutes be approved as corrected. Motion carried.

Judy Valentine read the treasurer's report in Michele Koenig's absence. The current checking account balance is \$3982.39. The report will be filed for audit.

Linda Wright gave information for next month's meeting at Ascension Lutheran Church on Morse Rd. Janet Halter will be sending the details via e-mail. The program will be "Coloring for Relaxation" led by Joanne Katonak.

Registration forms for the Alpha Delta State Convention are now available. Gamma chapter will take care of the registration fee for members attending. There will be application forms to fill out for this.

Friendship Chairperson, Cathy Jones, will need someone to send the cards from the chapter during the months of March, April and May because her husband will be recuperating from surgery with her help. Mariruth Seubert volunteered to send the cards.

Joanne Katonak will be having knee surgery but will be able to go home to recuperate because her sister is coming to stay with her.

Michele Koenig has been diagnosed with breast cancer and will need help with the many things she does for Gamma such as the newsletter and the yearbook. She is upbeat and will continue to do as much as she is able but some things will need to be assigned to other volunteers.

Dorene Henschen reported that the first-time and second-time recipients of the Grants-in-Aid each have plans to attend one of our meetings.

Sara Herfel has a new apartment # 1016. She had fallen but is doing well.

Liz Biglin thanked those members who attended her art display at Innis Woods. She will be displaying more in the future.

The Voice magazine has been received by members through e-mail. Anyone not having e-mail may obtain a printed short version from President Judy Valentine.

February Minutes continued from page 6

Under new business, nominating chairperson, Mariellen Angeletti, presented the new slate of officers for Gamma Chapter for the 2018 - 2020 biennium:

Co-Presidents: Dorene Henschen & Linda Ruehrmund

Vice-President: Sandra Trask-Tyler

Recording Secretaries: Mary Anne Wiedenheft

& Esther Panning

Corresponding Secretary: Janet Howson

Treasurer: Michele Koenig (an appointed position)

Liz Biglin moved and Willa Mullins seconded that the slate of officers presented for 2018 - 2020 be approved. The motion carried. Janet Halter will send a list of the new officers to all members with e-mail and a letter with the information to members without e-mail.

The Executive Board presented a proposal that chapter officers and duties will be modified for one biennium as a trial for replacing President, First Vice-President, and Second Vice-President with Co-Presidents and a Vice-President. Mariellen Angeletti moved and Liz Biglin seconded that we accept this proposal. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned and the Delta Kappa Gamma Song was sung by all.

Respectfully Submitted, Dorotha Fuhrman, Recording Secretary

Email Spam Alert

Recently Michele Koenig received emails that looked like they were from members. Signs that made the emails suspect included the following:

No subject in the Subject Line

Email Address on the From line when it was opened did not match the real email address.

There was an attachment.

The email was not expected.

These are schemes that hackers use to try to get access to your computer. Never open an attachment without confirming with the sender that they sent the email. Finally if your email has been hacked, change your password.



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Dr. Biglin's Inniswoods Art Show



Birch Trees in the Fall Artwork by Dr. Liz Biglin (photo by Michele Koenig used with permission)



Pumpkin Art (Photo of painting by Dr. Liz Biglin. Used with permission.)





Water Lilies at Inniswood Metro Gardens. Artwork by Dr. Liz Biglin (Photo of artwork by Michele Koenig used with permission)



Michele Koenig enjoys Liz's artwork display at Innis Woods. (*Photo by Sandie Trask-Tyler used with permission.*)

Ducks by Dr. Liz Biglin. (Photo of artwork by Dr. Liz Biglin. Used with permission.)