

**Gamma Alpha Bulletin
"The G.A.B."**

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WORLD FELLOWSHIP SILENT AUCTION A SUCCESS!

A Brief History

The World Fellowships Program began at the 1946 convention in San Francisco with approval of a project to aid women in war-torn countries. Four German women educators, with financial assistance from DKG members, spent eight weeks of study and visitation in Sweden in the spring of 1948.

The second step toward the present-day World Fellowships Program was the alliance in 1952 with UNESCO to provide special help for Korean women. During the 1958-1960 biennium, the present program began to take

Reminders

Dues are REALLY due!

Mail to Cindy Dietz or bring to the October meeting

- **\$73 Active Member**
- **\$58 Retired Member**
- **Seek out a prospective member and bring her to the October meeting. Fill out Recommendation for Membership form .**
- **Check out our website at: www.migammaalpha.org**

Judi's Gems



Dear Gamma Alpha Sisters,

Fall Workshop at Mt Pleasant was very pleasant. I attended several workshops. One workshop of particular interest was membership. It seems that membership is still a major concern throughout the Society. The bottom line from the State is that we need to initiate young members if we are to remain an active organization.

This month you are asked to bring a prospective member to the meeting. Joan Cady will give an overview of the Delta Kappa Gamma. We will also be donating craft materials and hats for the children at Motts Children's Hospital. The activities director will join us and share some information about the children's program. I hope to see all of you at the meeting.

Judi

form, and an agreement was made with the Institute of International Education to provide dossiers from which a Society committee could select recipients for study in the United States. Work with World Fellowships was originally the province of the Personal Growth Service Committee. In 1972, the World Fellowships Committee became a standing committee, with state and chapter committees added to the Constitution in 1974.

In 1978, the Institute of International Education recognized the World Fellowships Program with an award which is displayed at DKG International Headquarters.

This year's silent auction raised \$220 for World Fellowships. Members brought items from their vacation travels or shopping trips for the silent auction. We had over 20 items in the raffle. A big "Thank you" Carol Holland and Barb Broadley for their efforts in selling and pulling raffle tickets.

Gamma Alpha Birthdays



	October		November
18-	Carol VanHeest	7-	Aggie Quirk
21-	Alice Duke	10-	Sherry Green
26-	Mary Lou Flynn	15-	Judy Kolassa
30-	Joan Lyon	15-	Diana Markley
		24-	Chris Smith
		29-	Elaine Opper

International and Alpha Iota Update

International Date

August 6-9, 2003
Northeast Regional Conference
The Greenbrier
White Sulphur Springs,
West Virginia

www.deltakappagamma.org



State Dates

May 2-4, 2003
State Convention-Detroit Marriott
Pontiac at Center Point, Auburn
Hills
www.deltakappagamma.org/MI

Teachers Talking About Learning

(www.unicef.org/teachers)

TTAL is a web site sponsored by UNICEF to support the professional development of Majority World teachers. A complete learning experience on this web site may include access to relevant information, an opportunity to question and digest the information through intelligent discussion, and pursuit of hands-on activities to support use and retention of the new knowledge. If you prefer to read and reflect, you can use the *Explore Ideas* branch of the web site. Here you will encounter a large selection of current articles, research, and opinions *The Learner, The Teacher and The Learning Environment*. If you prefer talking about ideas, you can discuss issues with peers and mentors online. Finally, perhaps you feel most engaged in learning when you pursue a hands-on or interactive experience. At this web site you can take action by using interactive web pages or joining an online project.

The "Teachers Forum" for October 2002, features Tenagnework Anegagre, a third grade teacher at Shum Sheha Primary School in Ethiopia. She describes how the age-old tradition of early marriage prevents girls from continuing their schooling.

Minutes in Minute

September 25, 2002

- Meeting called to order by President Judy Fisher at Steak and Ale at 5:45 p.m. The executive board were in attendance with 25 members.
- World Fellowship Raffle raised \$220.00. 20 items were raffled off throughout the meeting. Starting at next meeting if you don't wear your pin \$.25 will be collected.
- Budget will be ready by next meeting. Dues are: \$73 for active members and \$58 for retirees. Dues to State are up by \$6.00, may need to have a raise. Dues are needed by October meeting.
- Minutes for May 29, 2002 meeting were approved. Moved by Colleen, seconded by Barb.

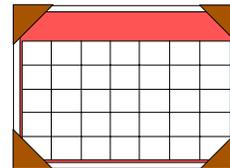
Committee Reports:

- Membership- Joan Cady We have 49 dues paying members. 31 present tonight. We need member to help out on committees. E-mail Joan with new members' names: **cadtj254@netscape.net** Strive to cultivate young members. Bring in prospective members to next month's meeting. We will have a brief intro to chapter. The first year dues and fees are approximately \$150.00. New members can be put on a payment plan. Joan presented a short program entitled "Plant A Membership Garden." Members planted different vegetable seeds that were good for Gamma Alpha members. Tur-nip for meetings on time, squash indifference and lettuce be faithful to duty are a few of the vegetables we planted.
- Newsletter - Jackie Smart Newsletter will be coming every other month. Convention dates are in next newsletter.
- Yearbook- Colleen We received an outstanding- used as a model for state level 2001. We needed a table of contents. We received a pacesetter award. Colleen sent a roster around to update e-mail addresses. If you didn't sign the roster and have changes, please contact Colleen.
- Programs need volunteers. Sign-up sheets were passed around.
- Personal Growth - Marie Week-ender Fashion Show. We get 10% of amount sold. This is a 2 hr. presentation that needs size 10-12 assistant. We need 3-4 people extra to model.
- Service Projects- Esther Motts Children's Hospital is our first project. We will prepare kits to make painter's hats for children with chemotherapy. Colleen will call Northside Hardware about donating 75 hats. Each member should bring in items that could decorate hats (eyes, feathers, glitter, sequin). Cindy will get tacky glue. Bedtime story will be in March at Elliott School. More information as the time nears.
- Professional Affairs - Marge In February Chef Larry Jain will be demonstrating healthy alternative cooking. The final decision of where this will happen will be announced.
- Legislation - Cindy suggested we look at the International website for information regarding legislation and U.S. Forum.
- Grant-in-Aid-Mary Jo reported that last spring 5 people received \$500 each. Each sent thank you letters. November 19th- Christmas auction. Auction is a big money maker. We made \$1,400 last year. We need items to auction and auctioneers.
- Library- Carol Anderson 5 copies of Limbo (story of woman who overcame many physical obstacles.) It will be sent to 5 high schools.
- Music - Elaine O. No report.
- Let Lynne know if you will be having dinner at our meetings each month so restaurant can get extra help.
- Marilyn Mitchell (state level) is running for State president. She is very involved in U.S. Forum and Membership. Gamma Alpha will support her nomination.
- Motion to adjourn (Cindy- seconded by Barb). Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Smith
Recording Secretary



2002-2003 CALENDAR



Meetings will be held at **Steak & Ale** in Plymouth unless indicated. We have been lucky to obtain a room that has a door. This way ΔΚΓ business and other diners will not disturb each other. In order to get out at a reasonable hour, dinner and meetings will begin at 4:30. Try to be punctual. Steak & Ale is located on Ann Arbor and I-275. Call or e-mail Lynne Elsesser to let her know if you are attending on Mondays, before the meeting. She needs to let the Steak & Ale manager have a rough idea regarding numbers.

Type this *carefully* when you email:

elsessl@yahoo.com or 248-348-0335

Menu (price includes tax and gratuity)

Hawaiian Chicken (marinated in pineapple juice, soy sauce and sherry wine) \$10.50

Vegetarian Pasta with either cream or marinara sauce (no rice or potato with the pasta dish) \$10.00

7 oz Atlantic Salmon Fillet \$12.50

7 oz center cut Top Sirloin \$13.25

Dinners include the following:
Choice of salad- bleu cheese iceberg wedge, Caesar or salad bar.
Choice of rice pilaf or potato.
Choice of dessert and beverage.
There will be a cash bar.

October 23 We will have a speaker from Mott Children's Hospital enlighten the membership about art therapy for children who have lost their hair due to chemotherapy treatment. Gamma Alpha will provide supplies for the chil-

dren to make hats. Colleen will get 75 painter hats. Members should bring things that can decorate the hats or fabric markers that can be used for drawing. Cindy will bring tacky glue. Introduction of New Members AND Orientation of New Members will take place after the meeting! Please bring your **Recommendation for Membership** form filled out AND be sure to have your prospective member attend. E-mail Joan with your prospective member's name at cadtj254@netscape.net Membership and Research Committees, chaired by Joan Cady and Aggie Quirk, will host the meeting.

November 19 (The date has been changed because of the availability of the restaurant. Remember, this is Tuesday.)

This will be a busy meeting so be prompt. Initiation of New Members and Holiday Auction. Joan Cady and the Membership Committee will conduct the orientation and preside over the Initiation Ceremony prior to dinner. After our meal, the Holiday Auction begins. See the flyer for auction information. "Thanks" to our volunteer auctioneers (Cindy, Sandy, Fran, Marie and Colleen.) Mary Jo Dreffs and Jackie Smart Co-Chair this committee.

December 4 Executive Board, committee chairs and interested members will meet at Hayes Elementary at 4:30 to discuss the remainder of our ΔΚΓ activities, fill in reports and await winter break. Committee chairs who cannot be present

should email their report to Judi Fisher or Lynne Elsesser. Hayes is located off Ann Arbor Trail and east of Merriman.

January 29 Personal Growth, chaired by Marie Canzoneri, will host "Weekender Clothes". After the presentation you may want to purchase something you have seen, so bring your checkbook so you can have some wonderful wrinkle-free clothes for your next vacation. Size 10-12 models are needed. (Only half of me can volunteer for this!)

February 19 Professional Affairs, chaired by Marge Braun, will host Healthy Cooking with Chef Larry Jain. Location TBA.

March 26 To celebrate March is Reading Month we will host a pizza dinner, bedtime stories and make felt animal bookmarks with the residents from Wayne County Family Center at Elliott Elementary. Bring books to donate to the center ranging from preschool to adult. The parents enjoyed getting magazines last year. Esther Loskowske chairs Service Projects. More information will follow.

April 30 Birthday Dinner hosted by Gina Strand and Birthday Committee. More information will follow.

May 2-4 State Convention held in Auburn Hills.

May 28 Planning meeting for 2003-2004 at Hayes Elementary. Executive Board, committee chairmen and interested members should attend. Bring exciting meeting ideas.

Gamma Alpha Auction

Our Holiday Auction is just around the corner. All proceeds go directly to the Grant-in-Aid Fund. In addition to the auction items ,a week at a condo in Harbor Springs will be raffled. Judy Kolassa won the raffle last year and can tell us about her get-away up north.

Here are a few ideas for auction items that you could donate:

- A certificate from businesses you frequent (cleaners, hair salon, manicurist, bookstore, restaurant, gas station, etc.)
- Homemade baked goods
- Homemade canned goods
- Massage
- “Theme” baskets (genre books, coffees, teas, cookies, jams, etc)
- Teacher gift baskets
- Holiday crafts or decorations
- Theater or game tickets
- Best seller books

You are encouraged to invite guests to dinner and the Auction.

November 19, 2002 (This is Tuesday)
Steak & Ale
Ann Arbor Road & 275

4:30 Initiation
5:00 Dinner
6:00 Auction

Hawaiian Chicken (marinated in pineapple juice, soy sauce and sherry wine)	\$10.50
Vegetarian Pasta with either cream or marinara sauce (no rice or potato with the pasta dish)	\$10.00
7 oz Atlantic Salmon Fillet	\$12.50
7 oz center cut Top Sirloin	\$13.25

Dinners include the following:

- Salad:
- Bleu Cheese Iceberg Wedge, Caesar or the Salad Bar
- Rice Pilaf or Potato
- Dessert, Coffee, Tea or Soft Drinks

Send check made out to Gamma Alpha by November 15, 2002 to:

Cindy Dietz

Name _____

Meal Choice _____

Guest(s) _____

Meal Choice(s) _____

Diversity Calendar

October

Diversity Awareness Month
National Breast Cancer Awareness Month
National Disability Employment Awareness Month

- 4 - Isra Al Mi'Raj: Ascent of Muhammad
- 13 - National Children's Day
- 14 - Cirio de Nazare (Brazil)

November

National American Indian Heritage Month

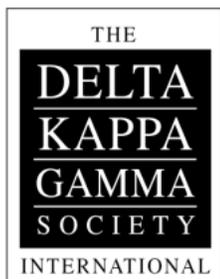
- 1 - Dia de los Muertos (Mexico, Latin America)
- 5 - U.S. Election Day
- 6 - Ramadan
- 11 - Veteran's Day
- 28 - Thanksgiving

Gamma Alpha Executive Board 2002-2004

Judi Fisher:	President
Lynne Elsesser:	First Vice President
Joan Cady:	Second Vice President
Chris Smith:	Recording Secretary
Jackie Smart:	Corresponding Secretary
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