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# At-a-Glance Important Dates

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018** Dinner Meeting Mama Roberto's, Arrival 6:15

**Tuesday, October 9, 2018** Meeting and Vote on New Members Speaker-*The Needs of Foster Children in Lake County* Auburn Career Center Technology Learning Center Arrival 5:45 Program 6:00

**Tuesday, October 23, 2018** New Member Orientation Linda Wood's home, 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday, November 10, 2018** Gamma Theta Initiation Luncheon Quail Hollow C. C., arrival 10:45 Initiates & sponsors, arrival 10:30

**Tuesday, December 11, 2018** Meeting & *Craft by Cheryl Kleps* Auburn Career Center Technology Learning Center Arrival 5:45 Program 6:00

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# Gamma Theta Chapter

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2018-2020 Chapter Officers Left to right: Standing- Second Vice President-Terri Martin, Recording Secretary-Teresa Sternberg, First Vice President-Heather Tromba, Corresponding Secretary-Dianna Misich Treasurer-Ginny Sivula-Phillips, Parliamentarian-Pat Hall-Miller Sitting-Co-Presidents- Linda Wood, Patti Weinstein, Paulette Howell

# Message from your Presidents

GROWING WITH GAMMA THETA!

Dear Sisters of Gamma Theta,

We begin this year with excitement and expectations for our Chapter! Our new Board has planned and organized some wonderful programs, based on your input through the surveys and general conversations. Take a look, get excited with us and mark your calendars now for these educational and fun meetings! We would like to ask all of you to "Grow with Gamma Theta" this year! We encourage you to contact a sister you have not seen in a while and plan to come to a meeting together, or choose a worthy candidate for membership, or just introduce yourself to someone in our Chapter that you haven't met before. As a Chapter, we are a wealth of expertise, professionalism, knowledge and personality! We will be celebrating our 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday this year, and there is nothing better than a celebration among close friends tied within a common bond. So let's grow together, learn together, and enjoy each other as we grow older and better! We are looking forward to dinner with you on September 11<sup>th</sup> at Mama Roberto's!

Fondly, Linda, Patti, and Paulette

> **Treasurer's Report** as of 7/1/18 General Fund: \$ 2,417.26 Grant-in-Aid & Scholarship: \$2,499.24 Total Membership: 74 Members 69- Active Members 5- Reserve Members Total Checkbook: \$4,916.50



Alpha Delta State alphadeltastate.weebly.com

# Dates to Remember

Saturday, October 20, 2018 State Executive Board Meeting Trinity United Methodist Church 1581 Cambridge Blvd., Columbus

**Friday-Sunday, April 5-7, 2019** State Convention Polaris Hilton, Columbus

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

## August 2018

# **Committee Reports**

#### Gamma Theta Memorial Grant-in-Aid

There are two recipients for 2018, each receiving \$750. The first grant recipient is **Norma Gutierrez**. Norma is a student at Lake Erie College. Her major is Early Childhood Education. She is the first person in her family to graduate high school and attend college. Norma started her college education at Lakeland and is pursuing her Bachelor's Degree at Lake Erie. She is the mother of two, volunteers at Head Start, was the president of the Early Childhood Education Club 2016-2017, served as co-captain of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life and has served as translator for Parent/Teacher Conferences. She maintains a 4.00 GPA. Norma has plans of graduating in Spring of 2019 with a TESOL and Fourth and Fifth grade endorsements. To quote one of her professors: "I believe Norma has the head and heart of an educator."





Also a recipient of the Gamma Theta Memorial Grant-in-Aid is **Carly Palgut.** Carly is a junior at Hiram College. She is pursuing a B.A. in Early Childhood Education. Carly decided that she wanted to teach after she had a summer job as a camp counselor. She is presently working in a third grade classroom and is experiencing thinking of ways to accommodate the different needs of individual students. She completed over 100 hours in community service. She currently has a 3.9 GPA with a cumulative of 3.62. Carly loves her dogs as you can see in her photo!



At the Herschman Award Luncheon; Linda Wood, Chapter President; Cindy Ferritto; Marg Galla, UH coordinator of volunteer services; Heather Tromba, Service Committee Chairman; and Marcia Searson

# **Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital**

In 2017-2018, Gamma Theta members collected travel-size toiletries and gently used books & magazines for University Hospitals. Once again, it was a very successful project! Our chapter was also awarded the Herschman Award from UH (see photo above) for our continued collection and donations to the hospital. The total number of donations collected this year was 2,233! New this coming year: flip-flops for men, women, and children. Thank you for all of your donations this year, and we look forward to working on this project again!

## **Books for Babies**

On Friday, June 8, 2018 members of the committee met to package 252 books. It was our highest collection ever. Donna Beal at Tri-Point Obstetrics was very happy to receive the book packages. Each included a bilingual card about early literacy written by Patti Weinstein and Marietta Lipps. Thank you to every DKG member who donated books and to the members who gave time and effort to prepare the books and literacy cards for donation.



Committee members Sheryl Miller and Terri Martin assemble book packages.

# 2018-2019 Chapter Events

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018 Kick-off Dinner Meeting Mama Roberto's, 6:15 p.m., Cost \$17 Return attached reservation form by 9/2/18

**Tuesday, October 9, 2018** Meeting and Vote on New Members Speaker-Kelly Kohlberg, S.W. on *the Needs of Foster Children- Lake Co.* 

Saturday, November 10, 2018 Initiation Luncheon Program: *Mistresses of JFK* Speaker-Susan Cannabino Quail Hollow C. C., 11:00 a.m., Cost \$22.50

**Tuesday, December 11, 2018** *Craft with Cheryl Kleps (no fee) Optional Cookie Exchange (more information coming)* 

> **Tuesday, February 12, 2019** *Chocolate Making with Denise Hufgard*

**Tuesday, March 12, 2019** *Giggling Your Way Through Google with Patti Weinstein and Teresa Gerboth* 

**Tuesday, April 9, 2019** Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Gamma Theta! Let's Celebrate our Chapter's Birthday

Saturday, May 4, 2019 Chapter Brunch at Quail Hollow Resort Brunch with the First Lady Carol Starre-Kmiecik as Jackie Kennedy Doors Open 9 a.m. for Baskets and Raffle Welcome-10:00, Brunch-10:15-11:15

\*Unless otherwise noted: Meeting location is Auburn Career Center -Technology Learning Center Arrival 5:45 p.m., Meeting starts 6:00 p.m.

# Birthdays



Delavan-11 Meg Skinner-15 Kathleen Janesh-16 Suzanne Jackson-23 Annie Zahradnik-25 Michelle Miller-29 Teresa Sternberg-30

August

Katharine

September Marijane Watson-2 Karen Coleman-4 Sally Vaidean-Lauer-15 Elaine Wargo-24 Tami Roberts-28 Hannah Fairbanks-30 October Marcia Searson-1 Sally Jo Rogus-2 Barb Dolan-3 Roberta Kalb-8 Laurie Dorko-10 Mary Ann Bittner-14 Janet Guerra-17 Carla Gray-22

# Important to Know!

# 2018-2019 Chapter Dues

On the recommendation of the financial committee and with the approval of the executive board, it was decided to offer an incentive to the members who make an early payment. IF dues are paid between now and the day of the Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> meeting at Mama Roberto's, you may pay \$68 for Active or \$42 for Reserve. After Sept. 11, 2018, dues will be collected at the rate of \$71 for Active or \$43 Reserve, as approved by a Chapter vote in September 2017.

# Gamma Theta Scholarship Deadline

The Gamma Theta Scholarship applications will be passed out at the September meeting. As you return to school, *current teachers*, think about what you might need. You may want to bring your completed application to the meeting on Oct. 9, because the deadline for the Fall Scholarship will be Oct. 12. Applications can also be downloaded from the Gamma Theta website.

Future Events



**September 10, 2019** Kick off Meeting at Mama Roberto's October 8, 2019 **Possible Wine Program** October 22, 2019 New Member Orientation November 9, 2019 Initiation Luncheon December 10, 2019 Craft-Pettiti's Garden Center February 11, 2020 Service Project March 10, 2020 "Tracing Your Roots"-Genealogy April 14, 2020 "Live Your Best Life"-Nutrition/Fitness May, 2020 Tri-Chapter Brunch, date TBA Hosted by Gamma Iota Chapter

> November Margaret Barb-7 Dianna Misich-10 Jean Fitzgerald-12 Cheryl Lanning-12 Barb Hogan-16 Jane Sampson-23 Sheryl Miller-25 Cheryl Kleps-26

December Heather Tromba-2 Kathy Cooper-9 Carol Ford-14 Carol Fleck-15 Terri Martin-18

### August 2018

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installation ceremony.

# **Tri-Chapter Brunch**

The May 2018 Tri-Chapter Brunch hosted by Omega Chapter was held at Generations Event Center. The celebration began with a magic show and was followed by the installation of the 2018-2020 officers for all three Chapters. Besides leaving with full stomachs, many members were the lucky winners of themed baskets.

## **Professional and Family News**

\*Debbie Lavelley was named 2018 Adjunct Professor of the Year by the staff and students at Lake Erie College.

\*Sally Jo Rogus retired after a 55 year career in education - 4 years in Geneva (1963) and a total of 51 years in Madison, teaching 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades and becoming a principal (18 years).For 29 years, Sally Jo was a Madison majorette advisor. The band awarded her with the Crescendo Award - "a rise to excellence" in 2017-1018. The Kid Connector Award was also given to her in 2017-2018 - an adult who makes a connection with kids. Her staff created the SJR Conference Room in her honor - where children come first. Sally Jo and Bill will be spending time with their 2 children and 6 grandchildren.

\*Sally Vaidean-Lauer is a now a great grandma! Ellie Rose Vaidean arrived on June 24 weighing 8 lb., 3 oz.

\*Nick, Karen Capretta's youngest son is in his 3rd year serving in the Air Force. He received "Airman of the Year" award when stationed in Alconbury, England. He has been deployed to both Turkey and South Korea. He is currently servicing in Belgium for the next 3 years.

\*Patti Weinstein was recently appointed to the Mentor Schools Foundation Board.

\*Karen Capretta and Annie Zahradnik are part of the Red Raider Preschools "Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports" (PBIS) Leadership Team. The state has mandated that schools prepare a system for teaching appropriate behaviors. The Red Raider Preschool program was chosen as one of 16 in the State of Ohio to be a "demonstration site" for others looking to see how to address PBIS in the preschool setting.

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### **Fairy Garden Event**

Our members exercised their imaginations at Pettiti Garden Center on April 10<sup>th</sup>. "Fairy Gardens" was the theme; a packet of classroom activities was shared; and everyone went home with a completed indoor garden that they created. Below: Imaginations at work!



### **Bright Ideas**

Teresa Sternberg won a Donors Choose grant for a project that helped her active 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students who needed movement while learning. They now have a new classroom rug and exercise pedalers. The **pedalers (see photo)** gave students a new focus and increased learning. In another Donors Choose



project, Teresa purchased new books for her classroom library. Students had a Book Tasting to sample the new books. Teresa set the room up like a cafe. Each table had

leveled books. The students "tasted", and discussed the books with their tablemates. They chose their top three and explained what interested them. A tasty way to motivate and hook readers!



# 2018-2019 Dues and Dinner Reservation

Please complete the tear off forms below and write SEPARATE checks for each item. All checks should be made payable to <b>Gamma Theta</b> and sent to: Genny Sivula-Phillips, 7684 Thorntail Ct., Concord, OH 44077 <b>Membership Dues 2018-2019</b>
Dues Paid by Sept. 11, 2018:\$68 Active\$42 Reserve
Dues Paid after Sept. 11, 2018: \$71 Active \$43 Reserve
Name: Phone: Please write "Dues" notation on the memo line. To update the Membership files, please complete the following and return with your dues:
Past & Present Officer Positions Held
Past & Present Committee Chairman Positions Held Web Page Past & Present Newsletter Yearbook Web Page Professional or Community Honors/Awards Received
Gamma Theta Memorial Grant-in-Aid Donation
Amount: Name: Please write "Memorial Grant-in-Aid Donation" notation on the memo line.
Please write "Memorial Grant-in-Ala Donation" notation on the memo line.
Gamma Theta Scholarship Donation
Amount: Name: Please write "Scholarship Donation" notation on the memo line.
Join us on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018 for our Kick-off Meeting and Dinner at: Mama Roberto's, 8654 Mentor Ave. Mentor, OH 44060 Arrival: 6:15 – Dinner: 6:30
Menu: Lasagna; Chicken Marsala; Red Skin Potatoes; Green Beans; Salad/Roll; Dessert Parking: Entrance door for our reserved room is to the right of the restaurant door with parking in front, on the side and in the back. (Rear entrance also available.)

Cost: \$17 - R.S.V.P. and payment no later than September 2, 2018

Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_