

# Gamma Sigma Signal

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL  
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*The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*

## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>                      9:30am                      Catered Luncheon

**Program:** Schools in Africa

**Location:** Seven Lakes North Clubhouse  
501 Seven Lakes North  
West End, NC 27376

**Invocation:** Candace Turk

**Hostesses:** Kate Faw\* kfaw@ncmcs.org  
(910) 603-5541  
Player McPhaul (910) 692-5385  
Peggy Olney (910) 295-0785



### Directions to Seven Lakes North Clubhouse:

- From the Traffic Circle, take the Candor Exit (15/501)
- Travel 10 miles
- Turn Right onto Seven Lakes Drive
- Turn Left into Seven Lakes North (tell the gate you are here for the DKG meeting)
- After going through the gate, turn Right onto Shenandoah Road
- Follow for a little over a mile, past the park, turn Left into the parking lot
- The club house is at the far end of the parking lot
- Call Kate Faw at (910) 603-5541, if you have any issues

### President's Message

**President: Sara Webster**

We have a wonderful meeting planned for February! Dr. Lorna Clack has graciously agreed to fill in for Dot McDonald on our "Schools for Africa" program. Both have traveled to Africa and have seen the schools first hand. We are so fortunate in Gamma Sigma to have such high caliber and talented members.

Please keep Dot in your prayers as she recovers from another surgery, this time for a mastectomy. She has come through the surgery well and is at home recovering. I know she will appreciate our prayers, cards, and words of encouragement.

Since we will be meeting at Seven Lakes, please let me know if you would be willing to drive a carpool. I will send out a memo to all so that you can be contacted about a meeting place for those who may live in your area. The meeting begins at 9:30 and **there will be an executive board meeting at 9 am.**

Our ETA State Convention will be April 26-28 in Charlotte. I would love to have members ride with me. The registration form is in the back of the ETA State Newsletter. I will also bring forms with me to the February meeting. The 2013 service project for the convention is Bright Blessings. This is a nonprofit organization serving homeless children across the Charlotte area. Please refer to this project in ETA State News and the website [www.birthdayblessings.org](http://www.birthdayblessings.org). I will be glad to take requested items with me to the convention that you may wish to donate.

Scholarship forms are due February 1st if you are planning to apply. We have had several winners in the past!

Many thanks to each of you and Delta Rho for a very successful holiday bazaar at CC NC! Our total was \$2213.86 of which half goes to Delta Rho. Thanks go to Beverly Lashley, Linda Donnell and committee members: Pam Zell, Nancy Collins, Teresa Little, Lydia Conard, Ashley Cicconi, and Debra Wilson for a smooth operation. Also, to our hostesses Jane McPhaul, Sarah Hawes, and Virginia Fayed, we appreciate all the preparation and contacts you made. What a team! Thank you!

I look forward to seeing each of you at Seven Lakes!

~Sara Webster

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### **Treasurer's Report**

**Chair: Annette Blue**

The Bazaar total proceeds were \$2213.86 so our half was \$1106.93. That is a little less than last year which was a total of \$2261 total \$1130.50.

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### **Membership News**

**Chair: Wanda Sweeney**

Forms will be available for recommendation for membership in Delta Kappa Gamma at our February meeting. Members should be considering those who might be eligible. To be considered for invitation for active membership, a woman educator must:

- Have had professional preparation.

- The new rule includes **no requirement** for amount of service as a professional educator in advance of the invitation, **nor** does it eliminate retired educators from the pool of eligible candidates.
- Have professional proficiency, with characteristics such as:
  1. Knowledge and skill in her area of educational work.
  2. Active participation in professional groups at local, state, regional, national, and/or international levels.
  3. Interest in professional growth revealed through reading, attending workshops, participating in educational travel and pursuing graduate study.
  4. Willingness to participate in professional research and investigation.
  5. Willingness to assume leadership responsibilities.
- Be a contributing member of her community.

Our chapter discussed the option of talking with prospective members prior to their recommendation in order to ensure their interest in joining Delta Kappa Gamma

### **Reinstatement of Former Members**

Please consider approaching former Gamma Sigma members and invite them to be reinstated in our DKG Society. At one time, a member who dropped her DKG membership could only return if the chapter approved. Now a former member shall be reinstated to membership by the chapter receiving the request.

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### **Book Swap**

To raise additional money for our Literacy and Numeracy Projects, members should bring any books that you would like to swap at each of our meetings. Hardback books are \$1.00 and paperbacks \$.50. What a wonderful way to receive new books and also to donate to our projects.

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## Dates to Remember

Future Meetings for 2012-2013

- Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30pm- MCS Central
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Delta Kappa Gamma Meeting Minutes  
Gamma Sigma Chapter  
December 1, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 9:55 AM by President Sara Webster, at which time she welcomed our regional director Emily Lucas.

An invocation was read by Lorna Clack reminding everyone of the “Big Picture” of the Christmas season.

Kate Faw introduced the program, presented by Adam Faw and the Pinecrest Players. They enacted a radio version of the story How The Grinch Stole Christmas. They encouraged everyone to attend their next production of Into the Woods on March 1-3 at Pinecrest High School.

The business meeting included reports by the following committees:

\*Approval of the previous meeting notes presented by Deb Favinger—no corrections. Moved and seconded.

\*Passing of the President’s Pin –from Judy Loving to Sara Webster.

\*Treasurer’s Report-presented by Annette Blue for review. Juanita Harbour proposed the budget for review for 2012-2014. There was a proposal by her to combine the \$500 budgeted for Literacy with the \$777.16 allocated last year for Numeracy and put it all in Literacy so that it could be used for either or both.

\*Correspondence was shared by Kate Faw.

Donna Love - formally resigned from DKG

Sarah Hawes – thank you for flowers

Elaine Sills- experiencing medical issues/flowers and a donation was made by Elaine to Gamma Sigma to be used at the discretion of the society.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to use the \$150 donation to divide between the music and the drama department at Pinecrest HS.

\*Phone Tree— Vice president Beverly Lashley reviewed the purpose of the tree. Suggestion was made to provide a carpool to Seven Lakes for the next meeting. It was also suggested that the leader for each team to call any one on their list who may not have been present and tell them how much we missed them at the meeting.

\*World Fellowship-Kitty Appanaitis requested all to be generous.

\*Scholarship – Dot McDonald explained program and provided details as to how to access the scholarships that are available. Feb. 1 deadline.

\*Literacy Initiative/Brag Basket- Peggy Olney requested more input from the group on ideas as to how to use the monies allocated for the literacy committee. Suggestions from the committee included calculators for classroom use, subscriptions for internet computer math programs for classroom use (committee will check on charges for programs such as First Math and/or Perennial Math), continuation of the RIF program (in the past only at Robbins and Aberdeen Elem. now open to all schools) Lorna Clack suggested adopting the first grade at two schools. Peggy acknowledged the need to continue the discussion and that there would be another committee meeting held and anyone interested should contact her. The discussion included advantages of the buying of books for children versus buying classroom libraries. Brag basket was passed.

Motion made to combine Literacy and Numeracy funds.-motion made, seconded and voted. Passed.

A report was made by Annette Blue on Lucille Leeman's health condition. Her book sale items will be donated to Hospitality House.

Unfinished Business:

President Sara Webster reported on the need to postpone discussion of the Strategic Action Plan as there were details that needed to be resolved.

Other Business:

Name badges: Linda Bryant handed out new member name badges.

Judy Loving, past president, updated information on the park bench in honor of Sue Phillips.

Guests were introduced.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 AM.