

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International DKG

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GAMMA ALPHA BULLETIN

Presidents' Message



Greetings for the New Year, fellow Gamma Alpha-ites!

It was wonderful gathering at Judy Morante's lovely condo for our annual holiday celebration in December. What a beautiful and peaceful abode she has! Thank you so much for your hospitality, Judy.

Our members were so generous with all the gifts they brought for the Beverly House girls. We put together gift bags for them, and each bag included something special for each girl, as well as socks, gloves, and other necessities. Some of you were particularly generous. I won't name names, but you know who you are!!!

Our January meeting will be held at Claddagh Irish Pub & Restaurant located at 17800 Haggerty Road in Livonia, 48152, south of 7 Mile (just south of Schoolcraft College.)

Executive Board should arrive at 4:30 to do our annual paperwork. Please send any reports that you have to Amy and Colleen beforehand, so we can look them over. That will give us more time to shoot the breeze at the Pub! Others, please arrive at around 5:15 to order dinner. There will be separate checks. This meeting is open with no scheduled program except for some chapter business announcements and updates for upcoming events for the minutes, so we're free to enjoy conversation and fellowship with those of us who are not escaping to warmer climes for the winter! As always, invite any current or retired women educators to join us for this meal and brief business meeting. Looking forward:

We'll have our March 13th meeting at the Northville Library, with a speaker from the library who will give us the scoop on ebooks. MEL and the Michigan Activity Pass. Note that this is a change of because date of the availability of the library room we use.

Amy and I hope you all had a wonderful holiday, and that we all enjoy a New Year filled with peace, health, and joy. See you soon!

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REMINDERS

January 9 at 5:30 PM Claddagh Irish Pub 17800 Haggerty Livonia

Please RSVY if you are planning on coming to:

jackie@mysmartfamily.com or text me: 248-476-8659

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NO FEBRUARY MEETING

2018-2019 MEETING CALENDAR

In order to avoid conflicts, **PLEASE put the dates in your calendar** and we'll see you there. Information about meetings will be updated in following newsletters.

Wednesday January 9, 2019

Place: Claddagh Irish Pub 17800 Haggerty Livonia Time: 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Executive Board will complete annual reports 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Dinner

Program:

Business Meeting Conversation and Fellowship This is a new venue for us. The menu is great, separate checks, and the Bloody Mary's and Guinness are great. We have a private room. Hope to see many of your there.

March 13, 2019

Note: This is a date change because of the library availability Place: Northville Library 212 W. Cady Street Northville Time: 5:30 PM - 6:30

Speaker from Northville Library E-books, MEL, Michigan, Activity Pass Followed by short business meeting and dinner in Northville

Saturday April 13, 2019

Metro Council Lunch **Place:** Our Lady of Sorrows (School Cafe) **Time:** 11:00 AM- 2:00PM **Cost:** \$20 **Program:** Preserving Our History

Wednesday April 17, 2019

Place: Northville Library 212 W. Cady Street Northville
Time: 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Tentative Program: Unlacing Victorian Women - History of Women's Clothing
6:30 PM - Dinner in Northville

May 3-5, 2019 Executive Board and State Convention Grand Hotel

Mackinac Island, Michigan Registration information will be in the Winter *Wolverine*. I know many of you are looking forward to this event.

Thursday May 16, 2019 Birthday Dinner

Place: Karl's Cabin 6005 Gotfredson Road Plymouth 48170
Time: 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Cost: approximately \$30
Program: Gamma Alpha's 40th Birthday Dinner
Chapter Woman of Distinction

- Friend of Education
- Honor Retirees
- Grant-in-Aid Recipient
- Ceremony for New Members

Saturday June 15, 2019 Planning Meeting

Place: TBD Time: 11:00 - 2:00 Bring: Sign-up Genius for Dish to Pass, Program ideas

CHAPTER NEWS

Welcome New Members

Kappa Chapter was chartered in 1944. Unfortunately, Kappa decided to dissolve their charter last fall. But Gamma Alpha happily welcomed six Kappa transfers into our chapter. They are:

> Elizabeth Frazier Diane Frangie Marilyn Wallenmaier Pam Sayre Jennifer LaRose F. Jose Engel

BIRTHDAYS



January

- Carol Anderson 1
- 7 Donna Colaianne
- 8 Margie Sievert
- Mary Jo Dreffs 13
- Bev Stanton 19
- 31 Marie Canzoneri

- **February** Elizabeth Bunner 17
- 19 Carol VandenBrul
- 29 Marge Braun

CHAPTER NEWS

Holiday Gathering

On December 6, Gamma Alpha members met at Judy Morante's home for a lovely evening of good food, wine, and conversation. Members wrapped gifts for the girls at the Beverley Homes for Girls. A good time was had by all.



Diane Frangie, Lynne Elsesser, Linda Clark, Carole Lower, & Margie Sievert hanging around the appetizers. Bev Stanton relaxing in the easy chair.





Fran Saenz, Rose Russenberger (interested in joining G.A.) & Linda Dobrzeniecki Sarah Elsesser & Carol Anderson



Amy Wright and Carol Anderson



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

POTATO CHOWDER

Winter is a great time for getting the crock pot out of the cupboard. This savory potato soup recipe with cream cheese and bacon make it so rich. It's easy to assemble in the morning and you can leave it to simmer on its own all day.

INGREDIENTS

- 8 cups diced potatoes
- 3 cans (14-1/2 ounces each) chicken broth
- 1 can (10-3/4 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup, undiluted
- 1/3 cup chopped onion
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, cubed
- 1/2 pound sliced bacon, cooked and crumbled, optional
- Minced chives, optional

DIRECTIONS

- In a 5-qt. slow cooker, combine the first five ingredients.
- Cover and cook on low for 8-10 hours or until potatoes are tender.
- Add cream cheese; stir until blended. Garnish with bacon and chives if desired.



LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Churchill Teacher in Line to Win Grammy Award

What do Drake, Cardi B and 18 year veteran Livonia Churchill instrumental music teacher Elizabeth Hering have in common? They're all in the running to win a 2019 Grammy Award — a distinction not even Taylor Swift can claim. Nominated along with 2,800 other music teachers for the 2019 Music Educator Award, an annual honor sponsored by the Recording Academy and Grammy Museum, Hering has defied the odds and reached the final 10. The Canton resident received the good news on December 6, but she had to keep it a secret until the complete list of Grammy nominees was released December 11.

"I was in my classroom early (Dec. 6) when my cellphone rang and the caller I.D. said the call was from Santa Monica, California.," Hering said. "I don't get good reception in the school, so I let it go to voice mail." Unfortunately, Hering's voice mail was full. "When I Googled the number, it showed the call was from the National Recording Studio," she said. "So, I went out to my car — it was about 20 degrees, so I froze — and called them back. When they told me I was a finalist for the award, I was pretty stunned."

To say Hering is just a teacher would be comparable to calling a spectacular rainbow singular in color. She also is the team leader for the Livonia Public Schools district music department, lead instructor for the Churchill marching band and is president of the Michigan School Band Orchestra Association.

What does Hering enjoy best?

"Everything," she said with a chuckle. "Everyday, I have the opportunity to do something I love. I never look at the clock. I'm always busy and I love working with the kids."

Hering has already won \$1,000 for herself and an additional \$1,000 for the LPS music program. If she ends up winning the final award, she'll be invited to Los Angeles for the nationally-televised show.

P.S. Mrs. Hering was Rachel and Hannah Smart's band teacher. Both enjoyed and respected her.



SERVICE PROJECTS: K4AK

One of Gamma Alpha's community service projects is Kids 4 Afghan Kids. We have donated funds and made crockpots of soup and loaves of bread for K4AK Empty Bowls fund raiser. Below is a wonderful article from "Northville Today" updating the progress of K4AK. Thanks to Judi Fisher for bringing this to my attention.

CARING FROM AFAR

By Angela Calabrese

Caring for others is a concept that starts early in Northville, and one nice example of that is the Kids 4 Afghan Kids organization, which was started 20 years ago - in 1998 - by then-sixth graders who wanted to make a difference for the kids in Afghanistan.

But how did the country of Afghanistan and the struggles that children there face – especially girls – appear on the radar of elementary-aged children in Northville, Michigan? It happened because of a Northville teacher and her connection to an Afghan diplomat.

Khris Nedam – now a principal in the Warren Consolidated School District – worked as a teacher and at an eye hospital in Afghanistan, later helping via the Afghan Embassy in Washington D.C. to broker peace talks between the civil war factions. (They did not succeed.) At one point, she was even on the Taliban's hit list. Through her connection with the embassy, Nedam met Mr. Wardak, a diplomat, who helped her and her husband escape from the country and return to the U.S. Sometime later, when Nedam was teaching sixth grade at Meads Mill Middle School, Mr. Wardak came to speak to her class. His story inspired the students, who decided to establish the Kids 4 Afghan Kids effort.

Two years later, Nedam moved to teaching third grade at Amerman Elementary. The Meads Mill kids carried the torch. What's most amazing about this is the fact that a lot of the original students who started this initiative are still involved. Many are in college, some are married and some have started families of their own, but they all make time and do whatever it takes to keep the kids in Afghanistan in people's minds, and to make people aware of how much more still needs to be done.

Sadly, Mr. Wardak died in a car accident five years ago, but his younger brother has taken over the cause and is now very important to the rural Afghan village that Kids 4 Afghan Kids provides for. Through tireless letter writing, PowerPoint presentations to multiple groups, and good old-fashioned word of mouth, Kids 4 Afghan Kids has consistently raised between \$70,000 and \$100,000 a year, depending on the economy. It's gotten grants from churches and has received educational grants, and it's made the most of these generous gifts.

In Afghanistan, the group has built a one-room schoolhouse, which had 600 students the first year. Now, it has 2,400 active students, and 2,500 are on the waiting list. The number of those waiting to participate has been a surprise to Nedam. "We didn't realize just how many students there are out there," she said. "Some walk four hours each way to school. There is no other education that's available to them."

Along with the school building, the organization has also facilitated the construction of primary and secondary schools – one each for boys and girls – a boys' orphanage, and a health clinic, whose deepwater well provides water for the whole village of 500 people. But Nedam is not satisfied and neither are the local doctors, who want to build a hospital – with beds – next to the current property.

As of now, they are out of space on the current property and own a second property six hours north. "We want to build a ways away for safety," Nedam said. Currently, the land is split between the boys and girls. The custom is to keep boys and girls separate. Fifty boys live in the orphanage, while around 30 girls live in the high school. Nedam would like to construct an orphanage for the girls, but the past use of those facilities as brothels makes gathering support for the effort challenging. For now Nedam – along with the students in Northville and her former students – are busy with the task at hand, which is to raise enough money to bring electricity and running water to all the buildings on their campus. They've been able to outfit the clinic with solar panels and they have a water reservoir swimming pool. The reservoir has pipes running to the school and the clinic, which works by gravity. The pipes are shut off once it gets cold so they won't freeze. Although her career has taken her to Warren, Nedam has not forgotten those first students in Northville or the community that rallied behind them. "We appreciate their (the Northville community) support, and businesses and families have supported us since the very beginning," Nedam said.

Even times of extreme hardship didn't shake the determination of Nedam or the others to help. "When 9/11 happened, the villagers thought we'd pull out," she said. "But we're still here. It's just a real solid partnership, and Mr. Wardak (the second), the tribal leader, is still helping us."

So, if you're looking for something different to give to this holiday season, or you're a tried-and-true supporter of Kids 4 Afghan Kids, they're always looking to send money for shoes. And if fundraising is your gift, they always need volunteers to help with that, too.

If you would like to help, contact Khris Nedam at kids4afghankids@yahoo.com.



Left: Khris and students during Afghanistan presentation.

Right: School and orphanage buildings built by K4AK funds and villagers .

Below: Girls in classroom



LEGISLATION

DKG NEWS

SCHOOL AID TAX SHIFT PASSES IN LATE NIGHT SESSION

Just prior to 2 a.m., the State House barely passed HB 4991, a bill which was used to move a Lame Duck raid of School Aid Fund tax revenue in favor of increased funding for road and environmental projects. The Senate concurred in the amended bill, and both chambers acted early this morning on a supplemental appropriations bill to spend this and other surplus revenue before the new Whitmer administration can propose a new budget.

The bill reduces the amount of income tax earmarked for the School Aid Fund to offset increased revenue from the online sales tax that goes directly to the SAF. Similar to the shell game where Lottery revenue goes to schools only to allow other revenue to flow elsewhere, this measure would reduce the revenue in the SAF available to fund K-12 schools.

This is NOT a cut to current per pupil funding – the additional funding from the online sales tax had not been appropriated yet and is not part of this year's budgeted state school aid payments. However, it IS money that should have gone into the School Aid Fund to allow for increases in coming years.

The bill includes an amendment that would "hold harmless" the current overall level of school funding if revenues fall below projections. However, in a textbook example of late night Lame Duck legislating, a proposed three-year sunset on the legislation morphed into a sunset on the hold harmless language – not the tax shift.

In the end, the lost revenue could have translated to per pupil increases of \$95 in 2018-19, \$117 in 2019-20 and \$120 in 2020-21. While those amounts would not have closed the nearly \$2,000 shortfall in per pupil funding, this legislation yet again prioritizes funding other projects over the education of Michigan's children. We will be hard at work with the incoming Whitmer administration to address our broken school funding system and ensure our students get the adequate funding they deserve.

Thanks to all the MEA members who contacted lawmakers to oppose this tax shift, which passed in the House with the bare majority of votes needed. The pressure from back home made this a difficult vote for legislators to take. It prompted strong remarks from opponents.

MEA Voice, December 21, 2018



The Girl from Little Rock: One of the many pieces of art on display at DKG Headquarters in Austin, Texas.



ASK ANNIE

Dear Annie,

I've been a member of DKG for 40 years and was trying to explain to a new member about our dues– especially the \$40 that goes to support International. Could you please explain how international dues are spent?

—Pennywise Penelope

Dear Ms. Pennywise,

I'm so happy you asked that question, because I am sure many members have wondered that, too. Most of the dues are used for membership services that meet the needs of members every day. Other major publications, expenditures include leadership training, conferences, the work of Society leaders and committees. and operating expenses. The International Finance Committee prepares a detailed breakdown for members.

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BOOK SHELF

Books for the New Year



Winter often puts us in the mood to cozy up with a good book. Here are a few books published in the past year which might be of interest to you. Get a cup of hot tea, a biscuit and dig in.

The Poisoned City—Flint's Water and the American Urban Tragedy by Anna Clark

Flint has become the poster child for water quality issues and failure of government in the U.S. Clark tells the full story of the tragedy that left countless children poisoned by lead and a city in limbo as it struggles with aging infrastructure, poor decisions, and neglect.

A Place for Us by Fatima Farheen Mizra

In this novel, an Indian mother and father struggle to hold the family together after moving to the United States, where their children choose paths the couple have never anticipated.

The House of Broken Angels by Luis Alberto Urrea In this epic, Big Angel, the patriarch of a Mexican-American family, is preparing a party to commemorate his own demise as well as his mother's recent death. This is a story of a family that spans aa border, and of what that means for those who are divided by that border.

What School Could Be– Insights and Inspiration from Teachers Across America by Ted Dintersmith

Ditersmith, an expert on innovation, embarked on a tour of America's schools to tell them how to prepare their students for the future. To his surprise, he found that teachers across the country were already doing this in ways he had never imagined. Taking some of their best ideas, he offers new proposals for what a school can be and do.

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Used Book Sale -Carol VandenBrul

Gamma Alpha Annual Auction - Jackie Smart, Pam Husson, Esther Loskowske, Cindy Dietz (& all Gamma Alpha Members)

If you would like to be part of a committee, please contact Colleen or Amy.

WEBSITES

DKG Gamma Alpha www.migammaalpha.org

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DKG International www.dkg.org

Delta Kappa Gamma – Alpha Iota State Convention ARRIVE: Friday, May 3, 2019 DEPART: Sunday, May 5, 2019

ACCOMMODATIONS MAY BE AVAILABLE PRIOR TO AND FOLLOWING THE ABOVE DATES

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha lota - Michigan State Convention Registration Form Connecting Our Generations May 3-5, 2019

Grand Hotel - Mackinac Island



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Name	Chapter	
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Is this your first State Convention? YesNoIf "	Yes", please attend the First Timers' Orienta	tion Friday evening.
Will you be in the Presidents' Procession?		YesNo
Are you a substitute for your chapter president at Execut	tive Board and Presidents' Procession?	YesNo
Please note: Executive Board will begin at 9:00 PM Friday	y night.	

Presidents Procession Practice and Coordinating Councils will meet following the Executive Board meeting.

* To help us "go green" please bring your neck wallet name badge holders. If you do not have one or forget yours, plastic holders will be available.

Are you currently teaching or employed in education?

Registration Fee	Members \$70	
Postmarked by April 3, 2019	Non-Members \$75	\$
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Corsage Order (Complete the form on the next page.)	\$25	\$
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2.	Sign in for SCECHs at the registration desk when you check in. (State Required Form)
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3.	Attend a minimum of three sessions for credit.
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- The Executive Board and General Membership Meeting will start at 9:00 PM Friday evening.
- Practice for the President's Procession will be Friday night following Executive Board.
- Coordinating Councils will meet after Executive Board/ General Membership meetings.

Please mail this completed form and your check, payable to Delta Kappa Gamma to:

Judi Fisher 20180 Rippling Lane Northville, MI 48167

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"A person having to cancel will receive a refund provided her written request is posted fifteen days prior to the event" which would be April 19, 2019. (Standing rule 7:01 of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.) Requests for cancellations must be sent in writing to the same person to whom the registration form was sent. You must personally cancel your hotel accommodations. If it is necessary to cancel after April 19, 2019, you should attempt to get someone from your chapter to attend in your place. No refunds can be made after the cancellation date.

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