

## Minutes of Gamma Alpha Meeting    March 18, 2015

Meeting was held at Cassel's Restaurant.

Lynne Elsesser called the meeting to order at 5:50.

Lynne informed the chapter that we are eligible for 3 awards at the State Convention because all of our forms were in order and submitted. She reminded members to register for the convention and that forms were available at the meeting as well as in the Wolverine. The convention is scheduled for May 1-3 to be held in Pontiac. Carol A. is scheduling for registration check-in and asked all to be available to help. Jackie is in charge of the presidents' parade and requested volunteers to assist her.

The Empty Bowls project to benefit Kids 4 Afghan Kids will be held this Friday at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville. Chapter members are preparing and serving the soup.

The Seedlings Bowling Fundraiser is this Saturday. Chapter members are supporting the event.

This year's Metro Council Luncheon will be held on April 25 at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington Hills. Reservation forms are on line and are due to Cindy Dietz by April 3. Cost is \$18.

Laurel Manor has been secured for December 2 for the 2015 holiday auction.

Order forms for the chapter flower fundraiser are available on line. Forms and payment are due to Cindy by April 25.

A motion by Lynne with a second by Mary Jo was passed to provide \$75 for the purchase of books to be read by chapter members to students at Elliott School.

Lynne reminded members to complete their volunteer forms and return them to her. She needs the information before the May state convention.

Lynne asked that members review and update their biographical forms as well. A suggestion was made that members interview one another at a fall chapter meeting and use the information to complete the forms.

Judy Morante informed us that the Beverly House girls chose to have dinner at the Golden Corral in Westland this Saturday at 2:00. (At a previous meeting, members voted to sponsor a dine-out experience for the girls.) Judy will join them for dinner and invited other members to join her.

Members discussed the option of preparing summer bags for the girls as we did last year. Sarah Dabiero informed us that her husband's business could again donate items such as bags, towels, and tank tops. The addition of a gift card to Target or Kohl's was suggested. Judy and Sarah will be in contact with each other and will let us know what they recommend.

Donna Colainne reported that so far she has one applicant for the grant-in-aid to be given at our birthday dinner in May.

Lynne recognized all the members who have birthdays in April, May and June.

Esther won \$36 in the 50/50 raffle.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 and was followed by a very informative presentation on Women's Health Issues by Nancy Higgins, member of Zeta chapter and a professor at Eastern Michigan University.

Respectfully Submitted: Carol A. Anderson    Recording Secretary    Gamma Alpha