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Mission Statement

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

Presidents' News

Hope you have continued to enjoy these beautiful fall days and time with family.

In November we had an interesting and entertaining presentation by our own Judy Mouch on plant pollinators. It was fascinating to learn about plant adaptations for attracting pollinators, for example, how a certain flower opens at night to be pollinated by bats, how the paw paw smells stinky to attract flies to spread its pollen. We also learned ways



Thank you to those who provided yummy appetizers and treats for our November meeting. I think most of us went back for seconds and thirds.

that insects and birds have sometimes unusual and novel adaptations for harvesting nectar. Thank you, Judy. I'll never look at orchids the same way.

Our next meeting is our **Christmas auction on Tuesday, December 5 at Eastgate LaRosa's**. Please bring an auction item. We will also be signing Christmas cards for Seniors. Please bring any extra cards you may have. We will have a pizza buffet with salad and drinks. **RSVP to Darla at Smithd@goshenlocalschools.org by November 28.**

Warm regards,
Melody

Updates on our Delta Chi Sisters

Jan Stewart is recovering from a fall and broken ankle.

She is currently at

The Glen Room 311 (on the main floor)

4300 Glen Este Withamsville Rd.

Cincinnati, Ohio 45245

She will be there for the next couple of weeks.

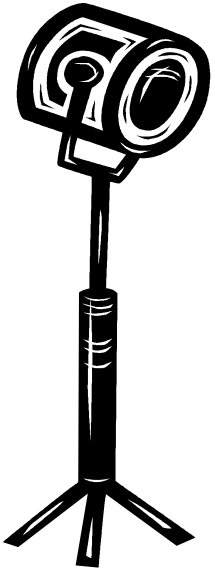
Jan Denny has moved her husband, Bob, to Memory Care, at StoryPoint in Fairfield. Jan will be moving into an apartment there as well. Her address will be:

Jan Denny

StoryPoint in Fairfield

7129 Gilmore Rd. Apt.319

Fairfield, Ohio 45011



In the Spotlight—Joint Chapter Luncheon

The Delta Kappa Gamma Greater Cincinnati Joint Chapter Luncheon took place on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at the Cincinnati Woman’s Club on Lafayette Avenue in Cincinnati. The host chapter was Delta Psi.

Five Delta Chi members attended the luncheon at this beautiful venue. They were Stacie Ishmael, Betsy Foreman, Joan Ballbach, Linda Sebastian, and Carol Ottman. Though it had been raining at one point, it turned out to be a beautiful, fall day.



Carol Moore, Delta Psi Co-President, welcomed everyone before lunch, and Krystyna Krawczyk, Delta Psi Co-President, introduced the day’s main speaker. Thea Tjepkema presented “Muses: Women of Music Hall.” The 9 muses included history, hymns, science, music, love poetry, epic poetry, tragedy, comedy, and dance. She touched upon these areas and discussed some of the famous Cincinnati women who are connected to Music Hall. Her presentation was very informative and extremely interesting. John Morris Russell, Cincinnati Pops Director, was also in attendance. He is Thea Tjepkema’s husband.



DKG Ohio State Organization President Melody McGee offered remarks and stayed to award a door prize to the person with a paper pumpkin underneath her chair. Drawings for the many, beautiful baskets put together by all five chapters took place. Stacie Ishmael was lucky to win one of the baskets which included a bottle of red wine, a wine bottle stopper, and a \$25 Visa gift card!

If you have never attended a Greater Cincinnati Joint Chapter Luncheon, consider attending one in the future. I think it would be well-worth your time. It’s such a good way to meet and connect with other DKG members, enjoy an outstanding meal, hear an educational speaker, and maybe even win a prize. The next Joint Chapter Luncheon will take place in 2025 with Gamma Eta serving as the host chapter.



November Meeting Minutes

A Get-to-Know-You bingo was handed out and information was gathered.

6:00 The Collect was said. Appetizers provided by members with last names L to Z were eaten.

Judy Mouch presented the program titled "Pretty Flowers, Picky Pollinators". We were informed how flowers attract pollinators and how pollinators choose flowers to pollinate.

Membership and Prospect Cards

Three names had a second reading (Kim Kleeschock, Mona Wells, Kay Nau). Kimberly Cooper had a first reading.

It was questioned if a vote should be taken at this time for the three. Eventually, the vote was postponed till the December meeting. Jan Schoellman made a motion to vote on the prospects at the December meeting. Seconded by Janet Davidson. All aye. The prospects will be invited to the February meeting.

There was much discussion about the process of asking and voting new members into the chapter. The State has changed the way new members are accepted moving from invitation to recruiting. The State guidelines were read aloud. Our present concern was the steps taken for the people we were voting on this meeting. The vote was postponed. We will continue to use a tweaked prospect card that will have more information on it than the present card. It was discussed was a member filling out the card, the card is read and voted on that prospect. Then the prospect would receive a letter informing them they've been chosen for membership. They'll be invited to a regular meeting that has a business meeting with it.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report/Finance Report- Janet Davidson

Edward Jones account for scholarships has nearly \$15,000. Over the last ten years we earned on average 3.85% (between \$300-400 per year). Grant In Aid has nearly \$1300.

Educational Excellence- Phyllis Neal

Our new State president's focus for the next two years is domestic violence. We are already meeting this focus with our support of House of Peace. Since we are already doing something should we step it up a notch? Also discussed if a more accurate account of the money donated for House of Peace is needed if the State would ask. An estimated amount could be given.

Legislative- Marti Kleinfelder

The governor is dismantling the State Board of Education to the point its only job is to oversee licensure. There was some discussion of what's required to receive a high school diploma. Stickers were talked about.

A reminder to bring one or more items for our December auction on December 5th at Eastgate LaRosas.

8:05. Sarah Carlier made the motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie Ishmael

November Meeting Attendance

Joan Ballbach, Sarah Carlier, Janet Davidson, Betsy Foreman, Stacie Ishmael, Marti Kleinfelder, Joyce Maynard, Judy Mouch, Phyllis Neal, Melody Newman, Carol Ann Ottman, Linda Sebastian, Jan Schoellman, Darla Smith, Sally Smith, Judy Varney.

House of Peace

NOVEMBER HOUSE OF PEACE
The following items were donated to the House of Peace:

2 Scrubbing Bubbles Bathroom Cleaners;
1 32 oz. Lysol All Purpose Spray;
1 32 oz. Spic and Span Spray Cleaner;
1 Antibacterial Hand Wash;
1 32 oz. Dawn Platinum;
160 Sheets Bounce Dryer Sheets;
6 Scrub Sponges;
1 15 oz. Tide Liquid Detergent

Donations collected: \$45.00

DECEMBER HOUSE OF PEACE
Remember to bring the following items to the December meeting:

PLANNERS FOR 2024

FRUIT JUICE (NO GRAPE)

Thanks to everyone for donating items for House of Peace.

By: Phyllis Neal



December Birthdays

12-9 Sarah Carlier
12-9 Hillary Gotio
12-15 Sharon Ward



BREAKING NEWS

North Pole

FROM: ICY ELF

North Pole Elves to travel to Clermont County, Ohio!

I KNOW- it's been FOREVER since I was there! I'll be accompanied by the North Pole Spice Girls- Ginger, Nutmeg and Cinnamon- along with other friends to visit you at La Rosa's Eastgate on Tuesday, Dec 5th for the Christmas Auction!

This will be a working vacation for us since Auctions take a lot of energy, but still lots of fun. We love to help raise money for Delta Chi because they are great ladies who do a lot to support the well-being and happiness of children, which is of course the main business of our BIG BOSS (you know who I mean).

So, bring a friend! bring an auction item! bring your checkbook! and most of all bring your smiling (and tolerant) self for a good time while doing good. What could be better?

Well, maybe if the Spice Girls worked more on their entertainment skills...but the BIG GUY is more into production for the kids you know. He's probably too busy to actually show up, but maybe listening in?



Treasurer's Report

DELTA CHI CHAPTER TREASURER'S REPORT

September 18, 2023 to November 14, 2023

RECEIPTS

2 Joint Chapter Luncheons	\$60.00
World Fellowship	\$60.00
Book Sales - Imagination Library	\$9.65

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$129.65

DELTA CHI CHAPTER GRANT-IN-AID FUND

Beginning Balance 9/13/2023	\$1,284.15
Interest	\$0.13
Balance as of 11/9/2023	\$1,284.28
Edward Jones Investment (as of 9/18/2023)	\$14,776.47
Edward Jones Investment (as of 11/14/2023)	\$14,950.35

DELTA CHI JOINT CHAPTER FUND

Balance as of 9/18/2023	\$1,037.92
Interest	\$0.13
Balance as of 9/18/2023	\$1,038.05

EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FUND

Balance as of 9/18/2023	\$489.32
October raffle donations	\$52.00
Interest	\$0.06
Balance as of 11/14/2023	\$541.38

SEED FUND

Balance as of 9/18/2023	\$228.02
Balance as of 11/14/2023	\$228.02

SAVINGS

Balance as of 8/13/2023	\$1,009.14
Interest	\$0.13
Balance as of 9/18/2023	\$1,009.27

DISBURSEMENTS

Delta Psi - 6 Joint Chapter Luncheons	\$180.00
Marti Kleinfelter - 3 speaker gifts	\$89.85
Marge Edwards - cards for Sunshine	\$11.77
DKGIEF - World Fellowship Fund	\$128.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$409.62

OTHER ENTAILED FUNDS (WITHIN CHECKING)

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP	\$840.00
INITIATION EXPENSES	\$55.88
BANQUET EXPENSES	\$227.79
IMAGINATION LIBRARY	\$183.00
Total	\$1,306.67

House of Peace donations - 11/9/23 meeting \$45.00
plus 2 bottles of Lysol