

**Delta Kappa Gamma Society International**  
**Gamma Psi Chapter**  
**Minutes for October 16, 2008**

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Gamma Psi monthly meeting was held on October 16, 2008 at 7 p.m. at the home of Leigh DeFreitas.

Hostesses: Leigh DeFreitas, Millie Olson, Anne Pennino, Mickey McGuire, and Sue Campbell

Attendance was recorded. Those present were: Sue Campbell, Marsha Carter, Sylvia Castle, Diane Castleberry, Leigh DeFreitas, Janet Goodman, Kay Heerwald, Lorrene Kegriss, Betsy Lowery, Nancy Messinger, Mickey McGuire, Millie Olson, Riki Stone, Amy Streshley, Nancy Tuin, and Jan Tusing.

Janet Goodman introduced our guest speaker for the evening, Jane Williams, chair of the Virginia Scholars Award Program which has been recognizing excellent women students in the field of education at 10 colleges/universities. In January, Jane will become the Executive Secretary for IOTA State. Janet highly praised our guest for her knowledge, expertise, and service to our Society. Mrs. Williams has been a member since 1984; she has served on international committees, held state offices, and was past IOTA State President from 1999-2001. Jane gave a presentation the scholarships and stipends available to our members at the International and State level. She passed out literature for future reference. We were encouraged to visit the Delta Kappa Gamma website ([www.deltakappagamma.org](http://www.deltakappagamma.org)) where applications for scholarships and stipends can be downloaded.

After Jane Williams presentation, the president, Betsy Lowery, called our meeting to order at 8:30 p.m.

**Old Business:**

Betsy thanked Leigh Defreitas for hosting.

Betsy discussed the Grant-In-Aid Fund Raiser Dinner and Silent Auction to be held Monday, Nov. 10. Members may bring one nice item with a starting price in mind to be auctioned. Members were encouraged to invite a prospective member to this function. The cost will be \$15 for one ticket, \$25 for two. The menu will be stuffed baked potatoes, salad, and dessert will be prepared and served by the hostesses.

We were reminded that Susan Rockwell will be our liaison to the pediatric clinic for the Reach Out and Read Virginia Program, as well as, our speaker at the Multi-Chapter Luncheon in Jan.

**New Business:**

Betsy informed the members that Susan Rockwell's brother passed away and a sympathy card was sent.

The minutes of each meeting will be in the newsletter rather than distributed at the meetings to save time and paper.

Marsha Carter agreed to be membership chairman for the 2008-2009. Betsy thanked her for volunteering.

***Multi-Chapter Luncheon:***

Betsy passed around a sample of the invitation for the Multi-Chapter Luncheon to be held on Saturday, January 17, 2009 for approval. A few additions and corrections were made. Riki made a motion to accept the proposed invitation; it was seconded by Sylvia Castle. The motion carried. Betsy explained that the food for the luncheon will be purchased from Costco (vegetable lasagna, meat lasagna, salad, and dessert). River Road Church Baptist will provide circular tables that seat 8, linen tablecloths, dishes, and silverware. The custodians will help set up the tables. Betsy demonstrated what the favors and table decorations would be. Favors: drawstring bags from her daughter's wedding stuffed with m & m's with an Embrace: Reach-Out-and-Read Virginia bookmark attached. Table decorations: glass globe with a white candle on a glass plate with red rose pedals.

It was discussed that we have two theme baskets as door prizes with books. One basket supplied with books for elementary students and a second basket for adult readers. After discussion, a raffle was considered the best way for our guests to have an opportunity to win one of the baskets. Leigh volunteered to be in charge of baskets. The proceeds from the raffle will enable the Gamma Psi Chapter to award one or more of our members with a stipend in the spring.

Betsy stated that a set-up committee will be necessary for the luncheon. Will we need members to volunteer to bake one or two lasagnas at home and bring them to the church, hot!

***Treasurer's Report:***

Diane Castleberry gave the Treasurer's Report. Our projected balance will be about \$151.00 after dues are paid and funds sent to International and IOTA State. Funds from the treasury will be used to reimburse Betsy for the snacks provided by Gamma Psi for the Ellinor Preston Coordinating Council meeting held Saturday, October 11. Funds will need to be provided for the 2 door prizes for the Multi-Chapter Luncheon in Jan.

**Reminders:**

- \* Anyone interested: Halloween Sing-Along with residents at Ginter Hall South will be Saturday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.
- \* The Happy Hatters will meet at Chippenham Hospital Sunday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 2 p.m. on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor.
- \* The "Quarters for Headquarters" cup was passed around for donations.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Riki Stone, Secretary