Alpha Gamma Matters

President's Message

Since our "Christmas in January" celebration, Alpha Gamma members have been busy! Andrea Flynn and Wynona Clayborne represented the membership at the annual Xi State Legislative Symposium in Nashville. Donna McCrory and a committee composed of many members of the chapter planned and implemented a highly successful Daddy-Daughter Dance. Chapter committees and the executive board met and numerous reports have been filed with the appropriate Xi State and/or DKG committee.

The finance committee recommended and the executive board adopted a budget for 2014-2016. It is attached to the newsletter. Teresa Gregory was re-elected by the executive board to continue as treasurer for Alpha Gamma Chapter. Wynona Clayborne has been nominated for Order of the Rose recognition at Xi State Convention. Please make plans to attend the convention in support of Wynona who is also the incoming Alpha Gamma chapter president. Convention registration forms are available online at http://www.xistate.org/forms.html. Scan down and click on the link for Xi State Convention 2014 Registration Form.

The executive board recommended continuation of the Pre-K and K Orientation and the chapter's involvement with the Imagination Library (Governor's Books from Birth Program) and added gifts for new teachers and the Back Pack Program as service projects for the upcoming biennium. Recommended fundraising projects included the well-known pecan sale and Daddy-Daughter Dance. Discussion included exploring an activity for mothers and sons. In the discussion of the Strategic Action Plan, results included 17 Accomplished/Continued (A/C) designations and five Continued (C) designations. Continued designations were assigned to items dealing with leadership development and conference/convention attendance.

Incoming officer training is scheduled for Middle Tennessee chapters on April 12 in Murfreesboro. Incoming officers shouldcomplete and return the attached registration form. Xi State Convention responsibilities include the creation of a chapter display around the theme, "Celebrate Your Core." A group photo will be made at the May 13 meeting to use in the



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Alpha Gamma Leaders 2012 – 2014

President Linda McCrary

1st Vice President GeorgiaAnn Boles

2nd Vice Pres Donna McCrory

Recording Secretary Cynthia Hudson

Corresponding Secretary Wynona Clayborne

> Treasurer Teresa Gregory

Parliamentary Advisor Mel Perdue display. Please reserve the evening of May 13, 2014, for the celebration of Founders' Day by Alpha Gamma Chapter. Beverly Smith, Xi State President, will be the speaker for the occasion.

The Educational Excellence Committee has planned a Legislative Meeting with Senator Mae Beavers and Representative Kelly Keisling on the evening of April 8 at the Welcome Center. Prospective members will be nominated and elected at this meeting. Membership forms, attached to the newsletter, should be carefully and fully completed and returned to Cynthia Hudson by April 6, for ballot preparation. Please consult with the nominee for accuracy of the information.

Linda

wednesday, March 12, 2014 the Executive Board of Alpha Gamma met and during that meeting it was decided to recommend new members and vote on extending invitations to potential new members at the April meeting. The membership committee would like to encourage members to look for women in the education profession who have given or evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education. Our Strategic Plan further asks us to unite women educators in a genuine spiritual fellowship and advance the professional interest and position of women in education. We need to look into our profession and seek membership of those women we feel will be a good fit for our chapter. We want to promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. We need active members who are either presently employed as a professional educator or self employed as a private educator such as a music instructor, or someone who has retired from an educational position.

Members please look for new members you feel would be an asset to our chapter and that you would be willing to mentor into becoming an active member and professional leader. Recommendation for Membership forms are attached and can be printed. If you choose to recommend someone for membership, please carefully and completely fill out the form. Since we are recommending and voting at the same meeting, it is very important to gather as much information as possible to be included as you recommend this individual.

Cynthia Hudson Membership Chair April 8, 2014

Macon County Public Library

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3:30 PM

Presiding-Linda McCrary, President

Inspiration – Linda Smith

Minutes – Cynthia Hudson

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

New Business

Nominate and Elect New Members

Membership Committee - Cynthia Hudson, Chair

Music – Wynona Clayborne

Hostesses – Red Boiling Springs

Public relations - Mel Perdue

Birthdays

Carroll Gunter – April 17

Retired Teacher Trip

A day trip on Thursday, May 29, 2014 to enjoy trains. Upon arrival, we will ride the Missionary Ridge Train. This ride is approximately one hour; we will ride through a tunnel, see the train turn on the turn table and tour the building where trains are restored

After our train ride, we enjoy lunch at the Garden's Restaurant at the Chattanooga Choo Choo, a historic restored train station. We will also see a replica of the first Choo Choo, ride the trolley, enjoy the model train museum, and visit the shops before heading home.

The cost is \$92.00 per person and includes transportation, lunch, admission to trolley ride and model train museum, all gratuities, tips, etc. Pickup location will be Lafayette and other locations as needed. You will be notified of exact times and departure locations a week or ten days before the trip. Forms will be available at the next meeting or you can contact Peggy Stephens or Wynona Clayborne for a form.

Dates to Remember

April 12, 2014 – New Officers Training June 5-7 – Xi State Convention at Sewanee July28- August 1, 2014 International Convention, Indianapolis, IN July 2015 Southeast Regional Conference, Georgia July 5-8 2016 International Convention, Nashville, TN



Andrea Marsh and other members of the State Legislative Committee with Wednesday speaker Chuck Cagle. Mr. Cagle shared many legislative issues that were being proposed this year that had to do with education.

Representative Kelly Keisling, Andrea Marsh, Wynona Clayborne, Senator Mae Beavers

Xi State Legislative Symposium

Daddy Daughter Dance





I want to thank you all from the bettom of my heart for the donation imade in memory of my Daddy. He truly valued education & fully supposed inc in my quest to become an educator. He was both tronored & prond when I received an invitation to join DKG. Shark you so much for honoring the memory of my Daddy. Messlie Gad

Jan. 14, 2014 Dear alpha Damma Sisters, Aue to health reasons 9 no longer feel I can actively participate in the society's Membership. While being a member of alpha Danma I have made many life-long friends. I will always treasure the good times, good food, and Good friends. Hour to all! Dais Please remembre us in your phayers. Manh10 Shank You