# Alpha Gamma Matters

### President's Message

I begin this message on a personal note. Thank you for your support of our family as we celebrated the life of Bennett L. Crowder II, MD. Your notes, calls, cards and donations in his memory were greatly appreciated.

The Founders' Day meeting is always a special event for members of Alpha Gamma Chapter. It is a time when we think about the reasons for the existence of the organization. We honor the Founders as women of courage who led the way for women educators to advance in their careers and make choices regarding their personal lives. We continue to fight some of the same battles that women educators faced in 1929.

We welcome Beverly Smith, Xi State President and look forward to her remarks. We welcome Regena Copas and Scarlett Hudson to membership in Alpha Gamma Chapter, Xi State organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Please think about a summer gathering for Alpha Gamma members. It would not be a "meeting" but would help us stay connected during the summer months. Maybe we could meet for lunch at a fun place and enjoy "being together."

We also welcome new leadership for the chapter and the beginning of a new biennium. Wynona Clayborne will return to a more visible leadership role as president beginning July 1, 2014. Her team of Dale Reid, Andrea Flynn, Donna McCrory, Dawn Thompson, and Teresa Gregory are capable and seasoned veterans in educational leadership. As elected leaders, they can count on robust support from the remainder of the chapter. Together we will continue to epitomize a strong chapter.

We eagerly anticipate the recognitions by the Alpha Gamma Awards Committee



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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 chaired by Carroll Gunter. Last year's honorees Marion Casady, Margaret Cook, Mel Perdue, and Annette Cothron were recognized and honored not only for longevity but also for their quality of service.

Wynona Clayborne, Cynthia Hudson and Linda McCrary attended training offered by Xi State organization for chapter leaders. Wynona attended training for new chapter presidents in the Knoxville area and Linda and Cynthia participated in chapter rules and membership training in Murfreesboro.

I congratulate Cynthia Hudson for her leadership in reaching out to deserving educators and encouraging them to become members of Delta Kappa Gamma at a time that is difficult for classroom teachers. DKG has a long history of supporting its members through numerous personal and professional growth opportunities. Please plan now to attend the Xi State Convention in June in Sewanee, TN on the beautiful campus of the University of the South. I hope July finds you flying or driving to Fort Wayne, IN for the Seminar in Purposeful Living followed by the International Convention in Indianapolis, IN. Opportunities for personal and professional growth are everywhere! Please participate.

We are excited that Marion Casady, Chair, Wynona Clayborne, Margaret Cook, Tammy Marlow, Dale Reid, Dawn Thompson and Carolyn Winn are hostesses for this special time together. I look forward to seeing you on May 13, 2014 at the Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church at 6 PM for an evening that celebrates new beginnings, growth, fellowship, and the joy of working together.

Linda



# Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church 6:00 PM

Presiding-Linda McCrary, President
Inspiration – Sandra Smith
Dinner

Initiation of New Members

Music - Mel Perdue

Installation of New Officers

Founder's Day – Beverly Smith, Xi State President

Alpha Gamma Awards - Carroll Gunter

Minutes - Cynthia Hudson

Treasurer's Report

Old Business – Kindergarten Orientation and Grant in Aid Report New Business – Summer Get Together and Announcements Alpha Gamma Pledge

## Birthdays

Glenda Smith – May 1 Leslie Goad – June 24 Mel Perdue – June 24 Marylin Roberts – July 26

### Dates to Remember

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

Also please remember Leslie Goad's family as they deal with her son's illness.

#### Looking back -





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