

Alpha Gamma Matters

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Founders' Day 2014

President's Message

Winter has hit us with a vengeance this year. I can only remember one snow since my grandchildren were born that there was enough snow to sled until these last few weeks. But it has been so cold. I have stayed in and Eddy kept fire going in the insert to keep us warm and toasty. Love the beautiful snow, the ice, not so much.

Our last meeting was graciously hosted by Donna McCrory and wonderful food was prepared by the Red Boiling Springs groups. We initiated Audrey Howser and we are always glad to add a new member to the group.

And this is a big shout out and big thank you to our new members taking such an active role in the Daddy Daughter Dance. And I appreciate all the help everyone gave to the dance. I think it was a great success. The decorations were beautiful and the mirror ball was so special. It took everyone to pull it off, and I have gotten lots of compliments all around town.

We have been invited to meet with the Gallatin group on April 9 for a fun night at their regular meeting. At the planning meeting, we decided to accept the invitation in addition to our regular meeting in April. They meet at 6:00 for snacks and games and then have a meeting. Anyone that would like to go please let me know by the end of the month so I can let their president know how many will be coming.

We also need to have an Executive Board/ Action plan meeting this month. All members are invited. It is not just for the officers and committee chairman. I would like to have it on the 17^{th} at Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00 PM. The main item we will be looking at is the Strategic Action Plan. This is in the back of your handbook.

Our next regular meeting will be April 14 at the Macon County Public Library at 3:45. Regena Copas will be bringing the inspiration. The program will be by the Legislative Committee. Hostesses for the meeting are the Lafayette #1 and Public Relations person is Tammy Marlow. I think Kindergarten registration will be on Friday April 24th, so I feel the kindergarten meetings will be held on April 21st. We need to start working on this before the April meeting.

I look forward to seeing you on the 17th.

Wynona

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Members Attend Xi State Legislative Symposium

Sharon Fisher, Linda McCrary and Andrea Flynn represented Alpha Gamma Chapter at the 2015 Xi State Legislative Symposium held at the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel on February 3 and 4. Following opening remarks by Xi State President Beverly Smith and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, the evening program concluded with a panel discussion by Rep. Raumesh Akbari, Rep. Johnny Shaw, Sen. Dolores Gresham, Donna Cotner, Executive Director TRTA and Jim Wrye, TEA Government Relations. Members submitted questions on a wide variety of educational topics including fully funding the BEP, COLA for current teachers, technology and Internet access, Common Core and testing, teacher training and retention of young teachers, free Community College plan and charter schools to which the panel members responded.

Breakfast included remarks from Dr. Candice McQueen, TN Commissioner of Education. The remainder of the day was spent visiting with members of the Tennessee General Assembly and attending legislative committee meetings.

Alpha Gamma Chapter is pleased and proud of Andrea Flynn for her service to Xi State as a member of the 2013-2015 Xi State Legislative Committee.

Second Annual Daddy Daughter Dance Fundraiser

Alpha Gamma held its second annual Daddy Daughter Dance February, 28th, 2015. Once again it was a huge success. Space was limited to 300 and tickets sold out early. Alpha Gamma members worked together planning, decorating, cooking and preparing for this event. Using the "Frozen" theme made a wonderful setting for the dance floor, pictures and refreshments. Last year Alpha Gamma used the money from this event to provide \$25 to first year teachers and recruitment grants. This year, the money will be used to help new teachers, fund recruitment grants and to fund other Alpha Gamma programs.

Next Month's Meeting

April 14th Macon County Public Library 3:45

Presiding......Wynonna Clayborne, President Inspiration.....Regena Copas Program.....Legislative Communications MusicMel Perdue Public Relations.....Tammy Marlow Hostess Group.....Lafayette #1

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Delta Kappa Gamma

Mission

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

education.

Vision Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.

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A Quick & Easy Recipe

Broccoli Cauliflower Salad

or 2 heads broccoli chopped
head cauliflower chopped
red onion chopped
c white raisins
pieces bacon cooked and crumbled
z pecans

Dressing: ¹/₂ c Miracle Whip ¹/₂ c Hellman's Mayonnaise ¹/₂ c sugar ¹/₄ c white vinegar Mix dressing and pour over salad. Toss to spread dressing.

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events

- March 17th Executive Board Meeting/Action Plan Meeting
 - April 9th Meet with Gallatin Chapter in Gallatin
- April 21st Kindergarten Meetings
- June 4-6 2015 Xi State Convention, Sewanee, TN
- July 14-18 2015 Southeast Regional, Savannah, GA
- July 5-9, 2016 International at Gaylord Opryland, Nashville, TN

Staying In Touch

Keep Leslie Goad's family in your prayers.

Links of Interest

<u>www.xistate.org</u> <u>https://dkg.org</u> <u>www.dkgef.org</u> <u>www.maconcountyschools.edu</u> <u>www.tn.gov/education</u> www.deltakappagamma.org/TN-alphagamma

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