



# GAMMA NUS

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## President's Message

What a wonderful summer this has been! It is the first summer, ever, that I have worked a full time job. I have taught summer school or test remediation classes in the past, but those were only 4-6 week classes; and only half day classes. I have really worked this summer! I am not complaining ..... I have had a ball! I know that several Gamma Nu members have new positions since the end of school, even retirement for Carolyn Topfer. I hope your summer has been as productive as mine.

Gamma Nu sisters have also been busy. June brought Texas State Convention in Austin and the Southwest Regional Conference was held in Branson, MO just two weeks ago. Gamma Nu was well represented at both of these meeting. We will be hearing reports of these conferences at the August Breakfast Meeting on August 10. A red invitation is included in this newsletter; RSVP, then stick it on your refrigerator as a reminder.

Your Executive Board and Program Planning Committee have met, and they are anxious to share their information for this coming year. The Budget/ Finance Committee is meeting and preparing the new budget. I have a request for you. It is time to be thinking about new Gamma Nu members. As you start back to work, get acquainted with new teachers on your campus. We are now able to initiate early career and retired teachers. There are no required years of experience. We want to continue bringing in only quality teachers, so get to know those new educators. Recommendation forms will be available in August.

I am looking forward to visiting with each of you in the very near future. Enjoy these last few weeks of summer!

*Pam Ansley*



**Karen Stephens, Wynona Montgomery, Kay Hill, and Pam Ansley**— attending Texas State Organization Convention in Austin, TX

**Sherry Otahal and Marie Drewnowski**—attending Southwest Regional Conference in Branson, MO

**Kathy Littlefield and Wynona Montgomery**— keeping Gamma Nu informed about concerns of members

**Executive Board and Program Committee** ..... Meeting and planning the programs for 2013-2014

Gamma Nu extends sympathy to **Kay Hill**, in the passing of her Aunt Polly Hill. Aunt Polly passed away in May at the age of 95.

**State Committee Appointment**

Wynona Montgomery is serve on the Texas State By-Laws and Rules Committee during the 2013-2015 biennium. Wynona will be representing Area III on this committee. She will be Gamma Nu's consultant as we revise our chapter by-laws.

**Member Updates**

Mary Margaret Armstrong was in San Jacinto Hospital after having a heart attack the first week of July. If you would like to send a card, her home address is 901 Idlewood, Baytown 77520.

Wanda Whitley celebrated her 80th birthday this month. Her family had a party for her during the July 4th weekend. Wanda is now on reserve membership status and is not able to attend Gamma Nu meetings. I'm sure she would love to receive cards and birthday wishes. Her address is 7110 Mescalero St., Baytown 77521.

**Back to School Treats**

Each year at the beginning of school, Gamma Nu welcomes teachers "Back to School" with baskets of goodies. Kathy Littlefield will have sign up sheets for treats for teachers at the August meeting. Be thinking about which campus you would like to treat. Margaret Ehlig will prepare tents to advertise Gamma Nu and these will also be available at the breakfast. This teacher appreciation project will take place during the week of August 26.

**New Member Recommendations**

Adela Pirzadeh, Membership Chairman, will be reviewing the criteria for membership in DKG on August 10. Membership Recommendation forms will also be available at this time. Deadline for recommendations will be September 30. Gamma Nu will vote on new members at the regular October meeting. An orientation will then be held, and initiation will be held at the November meeting.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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

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