

# Gamma Nus

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# President's Message

Great, fantastic news!

Thank you to all who participated in the February auction. We raised \$1862 for scholarships. I am delighted and so very proud of our wonderful and generous chapter.

Happy Spring! Spring Break is just around the corner and so is Daylight Savings Time. I can hear the birds outside chirping as they bask in the warm air with so many different shades of green sprouting up from each and every living plant. Since our winter was so mild, there aren't too many dried up plants in Baytown. March is a time of growth for Gamma Nu also. In March, we will elect new officers for the next biennium. I will not spoil the surprise for you by printing the names of the nominees. Join us on March 5, for the election and meet these new leaders. You are going to be so pleased. I am very excited to pass the gavel on and to support this new team.

In addition, I am really looking forward to hearing from Matt Bolinger, who will be speaking at the March meeting.

Circling back to the auction. Sisters, think about how you can grow as a professional. We have raised scholarship money and we want to award scholarships. All that money sitting in the bank may be helping the bank but it is not helping our chapter. Is there a special training you want to attend? How about taking a class for your Master's? Maybe you want to attend the TSO convention in Harlingen but it's a bit out of budget. Maybe you have a classroom need. Maybe you want to extend the Little Libraries distribution. Well, here is your chance. The application process is one page. More information and the application is on the last page of the Gamma Nus and will be available at the March meeting. Scholarships will be awarded at the May banquet. Last year we only had one person apply. Put your thinking cap on and apply. We have earned it for us.



# Red Roses to .....

**Pat Thomas** who rallied her Auction committee and made her delicious pralines. Lucky duck Roseanna won the bid this year.

**Mary Jane Etheridge**, our talented auctioneer, who can sell an item for \$100. I think that was a record. I still remember buy a bag of dill pickle chips for \$10 from her.

Kathy Clausen, Sandra Bell and Barbara Culp who successfully kept up with the numbers, items, bids and still managed to buy stuff.

**Nedra Bradley and the Music Committee** who performed their ditty to get us ready for the auction.

# **\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$**

The Auction Committee would like to thank you for donating so many great items for our Scholarship Auction. We raised \$1,856 (more than last year!) to use for scholarships--and it's all because of your generous support for this event. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Pat Thomas

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	Happy Birthday to You! March
4	Katherine George
5	Yolanda Irby-Smith
11	Billie Brinkley
16	Patty Russell
21	Paula Ellis
24	Kathy Littlefield
27	Monica O'Brien
31	Jan Cobb



Next Meeting March 5,2020

St. John Catholic Church, 800 West Baker Road 5:15 p.m. – Gather 5:30 – Meeting Begins

**Program:** "The Key to Knowledge and Growth" presented by Matt Bollinger, GCCISD.

Refreshments - Wynona Montgomery, Chair

Raffle Items - Pam Ansley, Chair

# MISSION STATEMENT

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

# VISION STATEMENT

Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.

#### Bay Area Relay for Life Don't Forget!! Gamma Nu has signed up to be a Luminary Club for April 3, 2020 Relay for Life Event. Luminary forms must reach the Luminary Team by March 28 to be credited to the Gamma Nu Luminary Club Team. **\*** The minimum price for luminaries purchased by March 28 is \$10. The price increases to \$15 after that date. We are asking everyone to order luminaries online at the secure Relay website: www.relayforlife.org/bayareatx. ✤ Just go to the website, scroll down, and select the box which says: Luminaria. Under Whose Relay Fundraising efforts will your donation support? Select "Team". **\*** Type Gamma Nu Luminary Club in the box and click Search. **\*** Click on our team name when it appears. Select the type of luminaria you want to order (only one name per luminary) and then Personalize your luminaria. Under "What would you like to say?" please put only "From" and your name or the person it is from. Order additional Luminaria or click "Next". When you are finished, go to payment information. **\*** Follow the instructions for payment. There will be luminary forms available at \* the January, February, and March meetings. You will mail your form and check to: Bay Area Relay for Life, P.O. Box 758, Baytown, Texas 77522. **\*** Be sure to write "Gamma Nu Luminary Club" in the "credit to..." box at the bottom of the form. \* Purchase a luminary for Relay 2020 and help the Gamma Nu Luminary Club "Light up the Track"! and whit

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# Congratulations to two of our sisters and four of our GCCISD staff!

#### Homeless Services names Jr. Board

DAVID







THOMAS

CARLTON

BONDS



The Bay Area Homeless Services board of trustees has announced the formation of a new Junior Board. As a key initiative in the BAHS 2019 Strategic Plan, the new Junior Board will bring new innovative ideas to the BAHS Board, providing support in the following areas.

- Serve as ambassadors, making Baytown area leaders aware of BAHS programs,
- Connect relationships and resources to the organization,
- Organize fund-raising projects that focus on the vital work and positive outcomes of the BAHS,
- Create and maintain an active and updated social media presence, and
- Challenge other potential up and coming leaders to become actively engaged in community and volunteer activities.

The BAHS Junior Board members are Heron Thomas, assistant principal at Horace Mann Junior School; Brian Carlton (vice president), senior account manager at Great Western Valve; Kendall David (president), director of marketing for Goose Creek CISD; Nancy Bonds (secretary), math instructional specialist for Goose Creek CISD; Katy Provost, B Credeur as a certified public accountant; Kevyn Bieschke, Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital nurse practitioner; Emily Masters, engineer at Dow Chemical; Kimber Williams, owner of Marketing the Mission; and Erika Foster, director of the Goose Creek Education Foundation.

Footnote – Kevyn Bieschke is Kendall David's sister!



**Current Membership** – Look for a member you have not seen in a while and give them a call about our next meeting.

**Refreshment and Raffle Teams** – Be sure you know when you are responsible for Refreshments and Raffle items. Everyone needs to be sure they are contributing to Gamma Nu in more ways than just their dues! Check your Yearbook if you are unsure of your commitments.

**March & April** – There will be two classes of R.A.D. Systems of Self-Defense Basic Training. See the flyer below for more information!

May 1, 2020 – Scholarship Applications due!

## June 17-19, 2020 - 91<sup>st</sup> Texas State Convention

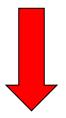
The 2020 Texas State Convention in McAllen, Texas. Start looking for your roommate and watch for more information!

## July 7-11, 2020 - DKG International Convention

The DKG International Convention will be held on July 7-11, 2020, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Please register at: <u>www.dkg.org.</u>



Keep Reading - More good info to come!!!





#### GAMMA NU CHAPTER LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP 2---\$300 Scholarships will be awarded

The purpose of the local scholarship is to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study, professional development, or personal growth and study. Any active chapter member is eligible.

# **APPLICATION**

#### NAME:

**ADDRESS:** 

#### **TELEPHONE #:**

## **E-MAIL ADDRESS:**

# EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

In a brief statement, explain how the Gamma Nu scholarship would enable you to meet your personal and/or professional growth:

**Committee:** Past Presidents of Gamma Nu Chapter

**Applicants:** Save this application to your computer before filling in the blanks. You can type directly onto the form. Return application to Faith Smith-Chew at Faith.DKG.GammaNu2016@gmail.com or 3415 Runneburg Rd Crosby TX 77532 <u>on or before Friday, May 1, 2020.</u>