

the Alpha Xi News!

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Alpha Delta State
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



October Program

By Gretchen Gonzalez

I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to study abroad as part of my undergraduate, graduate and now postgraduate studies. I have found it to be an incredible opportunity to share with my students real-life experiences related to the language and culture. I will be sharing some of those with the group at the next meeting. Study abroad is available for other areas of study outside of a second language. I encourage everyone to take advantage if at all possible.

Save the Date!

Next Meeting

October 19

Social Hour: 5:30

Dinner: 6:30

Alpha Delta State

March 18-20

Hilton at Fairland

Scholarships are available for those who attend.

International

July 5-9, 2016

Nashville, Tennessee

Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center

President's Corner

By Susan Dietz

Driving on State Route 33 the other day, I was struck with the fall leaves emerging from the hills of green. One thoroughly red tree stood proudly among the trees still clinging to their summer leaves. We educators are like that red tree. We must always be individuals willing to transform who we are to offer a meaningful experience for those placed in our care. No amount of testing can ever diminish the true foliage of a gifted educator. Take a moment during this season of change to celebrate who you are and what you bring to the world and to education.

Take care of yourself,

Susan

Mission Statement

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



Meet Our New Member *Jane Hall*

I was born in NE Ohio, and lived in Kent, OH for the first 30 years of my life. I am a 1985 graduate of Kent Theodore Roosevelt High School...go Rough Riders! I earned my Bachelors degree in Business at Kent State University in 1989. My initial career was in human resources and then into sales and marketing for the largest office supply wholesaler in the country. After about eight years into my career, my husband and I made a move to Henderson, NV for his job. At that time, we had our first child and I was blessed to be able to stay home with my children for the next fourteen years. His job took us all over the country. We moved to Western North Carolina where we had our second child and then to southwestern Ohio before landing ourselves here in Logan. In that time I volunteered countless and rewarding hours in my children's schools. As they were growing and learning, I decided I wanted to make a difference in other young peoples lives, but I wasn't sure the classroom was the setting for me. I returned to school to pursue a Masters degree in School Counseling and graduated from The University of Dayton in 2010. My job here at LHS is my first as a school counselor. I am completely exhausted each day and still love every minute of it.

I have been married for twenty-four years to my husband Dave and we have two children at LHS. Sarah is a senior and Sam is a freshman. They keep us busy and we love every second of life with them. We have felt so welcomed into this community I feel like I've lived here longer that just three short years. I am involved in 4-H with my daughter and as a parent volunteer for the various sports that my son is involved in. I hope to continue to become entwined in more opportunities in this community as I learn to balance my new job, new digs, and a new community to call home.

Cool Events Planned For You

We love our monthly meeting, but these additions are like icing on the cake. The executive committee has planned three events just for you.

Find the Artist In You

By Renee Bartholomew

Are you looking to put your artistic talents to use? Are you looking for a creative outlet for a Saturday morning? Would you like to spend a fun time with your fellow members when it is the dead of winter? Well, I have just the thing! Come spend a Saturday morning, January 23rd, with your fellow members painting at "Two Broke Artists" in Lancaster— ***no experience needed***. We will paint a beautiful piece of art that you will take home and have completed within three hours. All your supplies and the teaching expertise will be only \$30. Bring a small snack or beverage that can be shared during our work time. Reservations are needed two weeks prior. Please contact Renee Bartholomew at 385-4714 or 385-1171 to register and plan for carpooling. You can also email her at rbartholomew@lhsd.k12.oh.us.

Help Feed The Hungry

On the second Saturday of February, we will gather at the Southeastern Ohio Food Bank to package food. This community service will serve as a prelude to our February speakers from the food bank.

A Saturday In March

It is time to get together for some scrapbooking. We will gather together so each member can add a "Who I Am" page to our scrapbook. More details will follow at a later date.

Meet Our New Member Tara Montgomery

My name is Tara Montgomery. I was born in Lancaster, Ohio and have lived in Logan my whole life. I attended the Logan Hocking School District throughout my education. I graduated from Ohio University-Lancaster where I completed my Bachelors for Early Childhood Education. I am currently completing my Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction online through Grand Canyon University. This is my sixth

year of teaching third grade at Central Elementary.

I have been married to my husband Ryan for five years. We have two children, Rylee who is four and Caroline who is one. I am a Sunday School teacher at my church that I've attended since my mom was pregnant with me, The Peoples Church.

Look for articles in coming newsletters introducing our four other new members. We welcome Jane, Tara, Colleen, Lynn, Emily, and Jill to Delta Kappa Gamma

Who Are Our Officers?

*President: Susan Dietz
First Vice-President: Michele Maniskas
Secretary: Kathy Mason
Treasurer: Ethel Spencer
Parliamentarian: Lynn Avery*

Go to
<http://alphadeltastate.weebly.com/> and
click on
**Scholarships,
Grants, and
Fellowships.**
**Deadline is February
1, 2016.**

Check It Out on the State Website *It is time to learn about Alpha Delta State Scholarships*

The Margaret L. White Scholarship
Stipend for graduate work in education
The Annie Webb Blanton Scholarship
*stipends for graduate study in education at any
accredited university*

“Applicants must be Delta Kappa Gamma members in good standing who have held membership in an Ohio chapter for at least two years; must be pursuing graduate work in education in an approved university and must meet entrance and grade point requirements of the graduate school...”