GAMMA CHI CHAPTER MINUTES MAY 6, 2010

The Gamma Chi chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met on Thursday, May 6, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ridgeway, NC. Mary Austell, acting as President, called our meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Thirty-one members were present.

Sallye Duncan and Donna Smith were inducted as new members at our initiation ceremony.

We had our blessing before partaking of a delicious meal prepared by the LWML.

Minutes were approved as written.

Shirley White, treasurer, reported a checking account balance of \$2,151.41 and a savings account balance of \$1,626.87. Copies of the report were sent via e-mail to each member.

Connie King, corresponding secretary, reported regrets from Renee Mizell, Elaine and Emmy Coleman, Karen Paynter, Katy Jones, Martha Ann Overby and Mary Catherine Harris.

Recognitions/Notes from the President:

- Martha Ann Overby's son, Allen, had brain surgery. His prognosis is good.
- Susan Lynch is doing well after a double mastectomy.
- Harriett Faulkner's son, Buddy, will probably need a kidney transplant.
- Paula Aycock and Jeffrey Evans are retiring in June.
- Jeffrey Evans has a new grandson, Jake Hensley Stuckey.

Committee Reports:

Society Business

- Finance: No report
- Membership: Sallye Duncan and Donna Smith were initiated tonight
- Nominations: No report

Program of Work

- Personal Growth and Services: No report
- Professional Affairs: No report
- Research: No report
- Literacy: Continuing to collect children's books and books for the Norlina Library

Educational Services

- Communications:
 - o The web address for the International site has changed from www.deltakappagamma.net to www.dkg.org.
 - o Page 5 of the Spring 2010 issue of Eta State News congratulated Kristen Boyd on her award of a Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant of \$3,200 for her school. Watch the next issue of Eta State News for congratulations to Trina Paynter on receiving a \$2,000 Bright Ideas Grant entitled "Clicking In" for her school library awarded by Halifax Electric Cooperation.
 - o Highlights from the State Convention were shared with the members.
 - o Gamma Chi received a certificate for our newsletter at the convention.
 - o There will be Chapter Officer Training for Presidents, Treasurers, Membership Chairmen and Program Chairmen this summer. There are three locations for individuals to choose from: Thursday, June 17 in Goldsboro; Monday, June 21 in Black Mountain; and Saturday, June 26 in Asheboro.
 - o Nancy Tunstall plans to contact each active member during the summer to verify the yearbook directory information and committee assignments. Committees should meet or at least discuss their responsibilities as listed in the Standing Rules.
 - o Just a reminder that if you do not submit a new picture, the same picture that is in the picture directory will be used.
 - o We have a new Region III director. Her name is Connie Woody and she is a member of Beta Chapter, the oldest chapter in Region III. She has been past president of Beta Chapter and held other positions as well. She teaches in Wake County.
 - Last but not least, at our October meeting we will hear from Betty Marshall, Eta State President for 2009-2011. Her theme is "Becoming Voices of Influence."
- Scholarship: We had three applicants and two grant-in-aids were awarded: Jalasha Wynn will attend either Vance-Granville Community College or N.C. Central University and Toni Nichole Pitchford will be earning her Master's degree from East Carolina University.
- World Fellowship: No report

Other

- Remembrance Birthday cards have been sent.
- Gamma Chi Memorials: No report
- Gamma Chi Standing Rules: The Standing Rules Committee recommended updates to our standing rules. Mary Austell reviewed these changes, and they were approved.
- Hospitality and Social Affairs: No report

Jeffrey Evans and Mary Brodie volunteered to distribute books to the Norlina library and doctors' offices respectively. The new teachers' goodies will be distributed after our October meeting.

New officers were installed: Nancy Tunstall, President; Jill Coleman, 1st Vice President; Connie King, 2nd Vice President; Shirley White, Treasurer; Debra Clayton, Recording Secretary; Jeffrey Evans, Corresponding Secretary and Harriet Banzet, Parliamentarian.

The raffle was held. We collected \$26.00.

Our next meeting will be held at the Littleton Baptist Church on October 7. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Jeffrey Evans, Recording Secretary