

# LAMBDA GAMMA GAZETTE

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL, TEXAS STATE ORGANIZATION – AREA 18 LAMBDA GAMMA CHAPTER - NO. 267 KATY AND CYPRESS, TEXAS

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

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN

Dear Sisters,

In the early hours of this past Monday morning, a tornado roared through South Carolina, demolishing the Borgwarner plant in Seneca. "The silver lining is the third shift people were not there because they were furloughed temporarily, so there could have been 200 to 300 people there that night," said JoAnn Johnson, executive director of the Oconee Chamber of Commerce.

In India, with the lack of air pollution, people can actually now see the Himalayas. In China and South Korea, individuals are enjoying much cleaner air and blue skies.

A Christian worker in Egypt has written about the pandemic nudging them away from hard-copy to digital publications, thereby reaching many more readers of all ages as the publishing house is finding they can now use animation.

Many have had the opportunity, during this pandemic, to become reacquainted with family members, and get acquainted with neighbors. Some are acquiring new skills or brushing up on skills that have become dormant.

There is "the other side" of this pandemic coin. Hopefully, as we navigate these challenging days, we can reach out to enrich the lives of others, and ourselves.

Love, Huntyce

# **DKG Dues for 2020-21**

Our 2020-2021 DKG dues (International, State, and Chapter combined) of \$85 are due NOW.

Make your check payable to "Lambda Gamma".

Mail your check to our treasurer, Betty Hanlon,

5038 Wigton, Houston, TX 77096.

<u>Deadline</u> for mailing your dues to Betty is <u>April 30<sup>th</sup>.</u> Thanks in advance for getting your dues in on time!!

### **APRIL Meeting Opportunities**

On APRIL 21<sup>st</sup> we will NOT be able to meet "in person" for our meeting due to CoVID 19 isolation restrictions. However, we do have one necessary item of business to complete, that being our election of officers for 2020-2022. The following persons have agreed to be on the slate as nominees:

For President: Mary Smith

For 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Mona Macias For 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Amanda Cargill For Recording Secretary: Evelyn Bray

For Corresponding Secretary: Martha Steele

For Treasurer: Betty Hanlon

For Parliamentarian/Immediate Past President:

**Huntyce Moore** 

There will be two methods for you to cast your vote in this election:

Option 1: A ZOOM virtual meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 PM.
Instructions as to how to log in and participate are printed on the next page of this Newsletter. The ZOOM app is a virtual meeting on smart phone or computer in which the participants can see and hear each other. It's really fun and easy!!
Option 2: Vote by Email: An email will be sent to all those who were not able to attend the ZOOM MEETING. Those members will be able to respond to the email with their vote BY APRIL 22 AT 5pm.

Although we anticipate that this will be a simple vote (Yes or No) on a motion to accept the slate by acclamation (since there is only one candidate for each office); we need to have an official vote to abide by our Bylaws.

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### AGENDA for ZOOM MEETING: (7:00 to 7:40PM)

- Vote for officers
- Fellowship Time:

Sharing about your experiences during the CoVID "Stay Home" time in March and April...
Your physical health, mental health, positive thoughts, how your virtual teaching is going, how your students are doing, what you've learned, new hobbies, volunteer activities, bucket list items checked off, new skills you've acquired, good books you've read, any cares and concerns; any help you need, uplifting stories, jokes.

### E-MAIL Vote and "Note of Sharing" for members NOT on Zoom meeting)

- Respond to email (which will be sent to you at approximately 8PM on Tuesday, April 21<sup>th</sup>.) It will have voting instructions.
- Vote for officers (Deadline to respond with your vote is Wed., April 22 at 5:00PM)
- Write a note sharing anything you wish about your experiences during the CoVID "Stay Home" time in March and April. It's just sharing a conversation on Email updating everyone about how you are and what you've been doing or not doing!. See list above for Fellowship Time for what we'd like to hear from you!!

### Instructions to participate in the ZOOM meeting:

Sue Bathe is our Host for the ZOOM meeting. Below is some information you **may** need in order to join in on the ZOOM MEETING. Each device is slightly different as to what information it will ask for. Your device may ask you to enter an ID# or a Password. You will find those below, if needed. If you have trouble, call Sue (281-798-4062)

Topic: My Meeting - Suzanne Bathe's Personal Meeting Room
Time: Apr 21, 2020 07:00 PM Central Standard Time (US and Canada)
(We will have 40 minutes, but you can exit the meeting at any time you wish)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/i/78719601541?pwd=MWVxS2xyaW9VQnRXSXEzakdtMIJyZz09

Meeting ID: 787 1960 1541 Password: 7tLX9K

Method 1:

1. Open this Newsletter on your computer.

- 2. Go to this page (page 2) Press Control and click on the link below: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5375909799?pwd=OFQwV01hVi9MTkEzWHNyb3VLOUR6QT09
- 3. Click "Open URL Zoom Launcher" (Box in upper center of screen) Then follow directions given. You're in!

# Method 2: If you wish, you may download the ZOOM App on your device and follow these instructions below:

- 1. You may use your smart phone or your computer.
- 2. On your internet browser on your device, type in "ZOOM."
- 3. Find and click on "ZOOM Cloud Meetings" App.
- 4. Click to Install the ZOOM App (It is free).
- 5. After the ZOOM app is installed, open the App.
- 6. Paste in this link:
  - https://us04web.zoom.us/j/537590<u>9799?pwd=OFQwV01hVi9MTkEzWHNyb3VLOUR6QT09</u>
- 7. Click on "Join a Meeting" or 'Open URL Zoom Launcher"
- 8. The screen will have "Suzanne Bathe's Personal Meeting Room"

### Looking forward to SEEING and HEARING you all!!

### WHAT?!? NO BIRTHDAYS?!?







According to our records, Lambda Gamma has no one with a March or April Birthday!



Find an educator friend who has a March or April Birthday, call them, wish them a Happy Birthday, AND invite them to join Lambda Gamma!!

Give a call or send an email message to our <u>Reserve Members</u> to wish them a Happy Spring and tell them we miss them!

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## Puzzle to keep your mind sharp!

A car is three times as old as its tires were when it was as old as the tires are now.

When its tires are as old as the car is now, the car will be a year older than the tires are now. What are the present ages of car and tires? (Answer on last page)



### **Minutes of February Meeting**

The Lambda Gamma Chapter met on February 18, 2020 at Covenant Lutheran Church. After a delicious meal, President Huntyce Moore introduced Julie Eisenhauer, Area 18 Coordinator, who talked to the chapter about the upcoming events for Delta Kappa Gamma, in particular the state convention. She specifically mentioned the Area 18 workshop being held at Frostwood Elementary in Spring Branch on August 29.

Huntyce then introduced Chelsea Stone, our speaker for the evening, whose topic was on relationships. I don't think any of us realized at the time how relevant this topic would become. Some of the points that Chelsea brought out are:

- People are naturally social.
- When we come together we are stronger.
- Good relationships give us freedom.
- To have a good relationship, we have to have trust.
- Be transparent, sincere.
- Have mutual respect.
- Don't just look at the first chapter of a person; read the whole book.
- A bad relationship leads to exhaustion, weakened immune system, and lack of control, lower self-esteem, and forgetfulness.
- Develop people skills, schedule your time, manage boundaries, and appreciate others.
- Develop social networking to stay connected.

Business meeting: A reminder about \$85 dues that need to be sent to Betty Hanlon before April 15th. Continue your prayers for Sondra and Kip Green. Kip is recovering from an infection in the brain cavity. (Sondra is a former Lambda Gamma member and teacher from Katy High School. Kip is her husband.)

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00.

-Submitted by Evelyn Bray, Recording Secretary

Lambda Gamma Treasurer Report As of March 31, 2020

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	Feb Balance	Receipts	(Disbursements)	Mar Balance
General Funds/ Chapter Dues reimb travel/ state convention reimbursement trans to state: Active 61 * 0 = 0 Reserve 0*28= 0 initiation 0*5=0 Covenant Lutheran		115.00		
Total General funds	584.14	115.00	-	699.14
State/Int'l Dues & Scholarship fees	-	-		-
ASTEF Honors Fees	-	-		-
Grant-in-aid			30.00	
auction			4.00	
total Grant-in-aid	533.55	-	34.00	567.55
Area 18 Workshop	-			-
Totals	1,117.69	115.00	34.00	1,266.69
Betty Hanlon				

Betty Hanlon Treasurer Prep 4.17.2020



# Lambda Gamma's upcoming meetings and gatherings ...

# May 12 - ???

- End- of -Year Dinner at a restaurant (TBA) with Celebration of Founders' Day.
- Honor outgoing officers
- Announcement of Chapter Achievement Award and other Awards.
- Pay late dues!!!

It is uncertain at this point whether or not we will be able to meet in May. (Our May end of year dinner meeting at a restaurant was originally scheduled for May 12, however, no reservations had been made yet.) Please keep that date tentatively reserved on your calendars in the event the CoVid 19 regulations are such that we can meet for dinner!

<u>Please continue to watch your email for updates on plans for May.</u>

# **Late July / August:**

Lambda Gamma <u>Officers'</u> Summer Planning Meeting (Date and location to be determined.)

August 29 – 9:00AM – Noon Area 18 Fall Workshop at Frostwood Elementary School-All members are encouraged to attend!!

# September 15 -

Lambda Gamma Membership Meeting (first general meeting of fall, 2020)

(Location to be determined-

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### **Register NOW!!!**

The Convention is ON!!!
It has NOT been cancelled!

<u>Texas State Organization</u>
(TSO)

# **State Convention**

June 17 – 19, 2020 (Wed. – Friday)

McAllen, Texas

Find your Registration Form in
your Lone Star News- Spring
Edition, or on line at
www.DKGTexas.org



Sue Bathe, Mary Smith, and Martha Steele will be attending!! It's not too late to join them!!

# **DKG International Convention**

Philadelphia, PA

July 7 – 11, 2020

Go to: dkg.org to register!

**Get Inspired! Make Valuable Connections!** 

**Explore Philadelphia!** 

Sue Bathe will be attending!!!

### **Lambda Gamma Meeting Location for 2020**

The sale of Covenant Lutheran Church to Emmanuel Episcopal Church is final. The leadership of Emmanuel has communicated with members of our Board, and they have assured us, with a warm welcome, that we can continue to meet there. However, they have not finalized their policies of charging a fee to outside groups for the use of the building. Our Board will continue to communicate with them, and we hope our present arrangement can continue with Emmanuel as it was with Covenant (meeting for 6 meetings there in one room with use of the kitchen, at no charge.) Traditionally, we have budgeted a gift donation to the church of \$100 annually, so that offer will be communicated to the leadership at Emmanuel as our intention. Stay tuned to your email for further developments.



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Answer to Puzzle:

The car is 18 months old; the tires are a year old.

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#### I PRAY WE DON'T GO BACK TO NORMAL

- 1. I pray that the next time a friend grabs me and pulls me in for a hug; I actually take the time to appreciate the gift of their embrace.
- 2. I pray that when school resumes and people are dropping kids off, they take the time to thank the staff for the amazing gift that they give to our community.
- 3. I pray that the next time I'm sitting in a crowded restaurant I take the time to look around at the smiling faces, loud voices and thank God for the gift of community.
- 4. I pray that the next time I'm standing in church listening to the voices of praise and worship that I take a moment to thank God for the gift of congregation.
- 5. I pray that the next time I see a person or situation that needs prayer; I hope I pray as passionately and fervently as I have these past few weeks.
- 6. I pray that when I am at the grocery store that I take a moment to thank God that He provides us with the necessities of life and the amazing people who work so hard to keep us supplied.
- 7. I pray that I never again take for granted the ability to hop in the car and visit a friend, go to the mall, go to a gathering, etc.
- So, truth is, I don't want things to return to the way they once were. I pray that we take the lessons and challenges of the past few weeks and create a new normal.

My goal is to pray more, love harder and truly appreciate the daily abundance of blessings that were so easily overlooked just a mere few weeks ago.

Be Blessed Today!