

Mission Statement:

The Delta Kappa Gamma

Society International

promotes professional and

personal growth of women

educators and excellence

in education.

LAMBDA GAMMA GAZETTE

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

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APRIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, April 18th

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Covenant Lutheran Church

3785 Barker Cypress Rd. 77084

Guests: Members of Lambda Tau Chapter

Dinner: All Lambda Gamma Members!

(Please bring a "finger food". We will be providing a light "dinner" for both Lambda

Gamma and Lambda Tau Chapter Members.

Hostesses: Group B

Sherron Frost- *DoorPrize, Decorations* **Huntyce Moore-** *Thought for the Day, Ice*

Kathryn Johnson - Plates, Napkins

Freddye Thomas- *Drinks*

Jill Johse- Cups

Teri Mason

Beth Eardley

Val Steele

Program Coordinator: Valerie Steele

Speaker: Carrie Lawson

Program: Healthy Living with Zija

Zija International was founded on the idea that a better life is possible with the right combination of products, opportunity, timing and endeavor. Zija's cutting-edge health, wellness and beauty products allow individuals to look and feel their best, be more active, and share the Natural Health Revolution. The products include Food Supplements Essential Oils, Fitness Supplements, and Personal Care Products.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Ladies!

Happy Spring! I hope you have been enjoying the beautiful weather and spending some time outside! We have two more meetings left for the year, in addition to the conference this summer. I find it hard to believe that this school year is almost over.

As I was reading I came across this quote from John Wesley, and I want to leave you with it.

"Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, to all the souls you can, in all the places you can, with all the zeal you can, as long as ever you can."

Many Blessings,
Valerie

WHAT TO BRING TO THE APRIL MEETING

- 1. Dish of "finger food"
- 2. Final Donation \$ for Grant in Aid Fund!!
- 3. Gift Cards for the State Convention 2017

 <u>Unifying Project</u> which benefits Child

 Advocates (Cards from Target, Amazon,

 Wal-Mart, Visa/MasterCard, Office Depot,

 Costco, or Sam's Club are recommended)
- 4. Your Smiles!!







TEXAS STATE ORGANIZATION OF DKG ANNUAL CONVENTION JUNE 22 - 24, 2017 WESTIN GALLERIA HOTEL IN HOUSTON

Lambda Gamma Members! Come to the Convention! You are needed to help! Here's what to do:

- Register for the Convention. (Everyone attending, even if you are just volunteering, must register for the convention, whether you attend one, two or all three days.) Registration Form is in the Spring 2017 Lone Star News. We will also have some registration forms at the April and May meetings.
- **2. Volunteer to help at the Necrology Service.** Call or email Sue Bathe. (C) 281-798-4062, (H) 281-955-8568; <u>Suzanne.bathe@sbcglobal.net</u>

WHEN: Saturday morning, June 24th. Be there by 7:30 AM (The service begins at 8:00AM) WHERE: "The Service of Remembrance" (Necrology Service) at the Westin Galleria Hotel WHAT WILL WE DO? Greet DKG ladies at the door and hand out programs.

(The SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE, also called the Necrology Service, is a beautiful Memorial Service in which we remember and honor all the Texas DKG members who passed away in the previous year.)

- 3. Volunteer to help at the Lambda Gamma Vendor Booth We <u>may</u> have a booth for sales to benefit our Grant-in-Aid fund. This will be discussed at the April meeting.
- 4. Enjoy the Convention!! Global Awareness Symposium---Breakout Sessions --- CPUs--- First Timers Event---Opening Session Entertainment!---Friday Birthday Luncheon---Saturday Presidents Banquet---Music---New Friends----State Organization Business Meeting--- Election of State Officers—Presentation of Awards----Formal Presentation of Chapter Presidents when we will Cheer for Val Steele as she is presented!!...And there's SHOPPING. the Convention always has awesome Vendors! And there's always more shopping in the Galleria!!

The Southwest Regional DKG Conference will be in Honolulu

Hawaii

July 4 - 7, 2017

See <u>www.DKGTexas.org</u> for registration information.



INTERNATIONAL DKG CONVENTION

July 16-20 2018

J.W. Marriott Hotel

Austin, Texas

Grant in Aid News!!

The Grant-in-Aid Committee received and reviewed 21 applications from senior girls from high schools in Katy, Cy-Fair, and Royal school districts. The committee has chosen a recipient and will announce their recommendation to the chapter members at the April meeting. The winner will be notified, and she and her mother will be invited to the May 16th dinner meeting, where we will congratulate our grant recipient and present her with a certificate. (The scholarship award check will be given after she successfully completes one semester of college coursework.)

ALERT!! Our Grant-in-Aid fund is low! We would like the grant to be between \$700 and \$1000.

Everyone please bring one last generous

donation for the Grant-in-Aid fund. There will be some extra door prizes with a special raffle at the April meeting. You will have a chance to win some great prizes!





<u>Lambda Gamma Calendar</u> 2016-17

(We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month, except in December. Save all these dates!\(^1\)

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September 20th

October 18th

November 15th

December 6th

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January 17th, 2017

February 21st

April 18th

May 16th- At Alicia's Mexican Restaurant in Katy



BIRTHDAYS !!

Our records show that there are no Lambda Gamma Sisters who have March and April Birthdays. Let Martha Steele know if we missed anyone who has a birthday in March or April.



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Note: In the event you are unable to attend a meeting, please call or email one of the officers and let them know. Thanks!!

Treasurer's Report

February - April, 2017

	Balance			
	on Hand	Receipts	Disbursements	NEW BALANCES
Chapter Dues	504.00	0.00	0	504.00
Grant in Aid	92.76	339.00	0	431.76
General Fund	273.36	0.00	0	273.36
State Dues	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Scholarship Dues	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Honors Fees	24.00	0.00	0	24.00
TOTALS	894.12	339	0	1233.12

MINUTES

The Lambda Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met at Covenant Lutheran Church on Feb. 21, 2017. After a delicious dinner provided by Group A Hostesses, Valerie Steele called the meeting to order.

The program for the evening, facilitated by Martha Steele, was presented by Lauren Black and Colleen Gilbert from REACH Unlimited. After a very informative talk and slide show, the members of the chapter were able to purchase fused glass items made by the REACH clients which help support their programs.

Afterwards, the business meeting was conducted. A letter from Chick-fil-e was read, stating that their spirit nights are held for larger organizations. It wasn't beneficial for smaller groups to participate.

A report was given about the items needed for the unifying project at the state convention. This year it will benefit Child Advocates, a volunteer program that works with children in foster care, helping them through the court system and being a voice for these children. It was decided that our chapter would collect gift cards for the project. A list of cards needed is found on the DKG website under 2017 State Convention-unifying project. They will be collected during the April and May meetings. If anyone would like to volunteer at the unifying project booth during the convention, you can contact Evelyn Bray at evelynbray@yahoo.com and your name will be forwarded to the chair of the unifying project. Also, presenters for the convention are needed.

Valerie Steele announced that, unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, our treasurer, Pam Redd, has decided she must resign from that position at this time. LeAnna Graham was asked to assume the office of treasurer (an appointed position), and she has agreed to take over as Treasurer. The members expressed appreciation to LeAnna for her willingness to serve, and agreed to the appointment of LeAnna as Treasurer.

Scholarship applications have been sent to area high schools. March 31st is the deadline for the completed forms.

The silent auction of desserts brought by members was held, with proceeds going to the Grant-in-Aid fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00. The next meeting will be on April 18th. A Create-a-sign project is scheduled.

Date to Remember:

June 22-24, 2016 State Convention; Our chapter will be hostesses for Necrology Service on Saturday, June 24th.

Submitted by Evelyn Bray, Recording Secretary

Let's Remember Our Reserve Members!

Send them a card or give them a call! Remind them we are thinking of them and miss them!

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DKG INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE!

Log into the DKG International Website to update your profile, get loads of information, and access many useful resources!

www.dkg.org

You already have an account!

Just use your 6 digit Member ID # (on your membership card) as your USERNAME.

The default PASSWORD is: dkg2014society.

You can change your password to your own preferred password after logging in.

You can also access the Texas State

Organization of DKG (TSO) Website from the International Website

OR

log in directly to: www.dkgtexas.org

LET'S STAY CONNECTED!!







Send a note to our 2016 Grant-in-Aid
Recipient, <u>Katelyn Mamaux</u> to wish her success
on her final exams! Her address is:
801 Marion Pugh Drive
Bedspace A
College Station, Texas 77840

Would you like a Pen Pal who lives in another country?

Sign up today to connect with a DKG member from another country through DKG Texas ePals!

Find the ePals link on the Global Awareness Committee page at

www.dkgtexas.org





Visit your Lambda Gamma Website today!

Go to:

http://dkglambdagamma.weebly.com

(On your computer, hold "Control" and click on the link to open the website)

If you have pictures of our DKG activities, send them electronically to Mona Macias, our Webmaster, and she will post them on the Website. **monalmacias@katyisd.org**

If you have not yet completed a permission form for having your picture exhibited or published, please see Martha Steele.

MEMBERSHIP MOMENTUM!!

Let's keep the MOMENTUM going for Membership Expansion in Lambda Gamma! YOU can recommend and invite someone you know to be a member! Who do you know that is a key woman educator? She may be working, or have worked, in any area of education----in public or private schools with any age student from infants to post graduates. A prospective member may teach in settings other than schools, such as in health, community, or corporate settings. Houston, Cypress, Katy, Prairie View and Brookshire are full of wonderful educators who would be fabulous additions to our Lambda Gamma group! Invite one of your friends to join us, and recommend them for membership!!

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CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBER(S)

(BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING AND GIVE IT TO AMANDA CARGILL, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN)
NAME.
NAME:
ADDRESS:
PHONE #
EMAIL:
CURRENT TEACHING POSITION ; OR, IF RETIRED, TEACHING EXPERIENCE
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF WHY YOU ARE RECOMMENDING THIS PERSON AS A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER:
BILLE DESCRIPTION OF WITH 100 /IRE RECOMMENDING THIS I ERSON /IS // TROSI ECTIVE WEIMBER.
Your Name:

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Photos from February -----

A Phenomenal Program by Reach Unlimited and Some Scrumptious Desserts!







Above: Reach Unlimited Executive Director, Lauren Black; Reach Enterprise Director, Colleen Gilbert, and a Reach Client, tell about Reach and display the fused glass items made by the Reach clients.





Amanda Cargill, Brenda Owen, Aimee Modic, Huntyce Moore, Brenda Owen, and Pat Williamson bid on the delicious desserts brought by members and auctioned to raise funds for our Grant-in-Aid Fund.