



LAMBDA GAMMA GAZETTE



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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Season Greetings!

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful fall weather and had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends! We have so many things to be thankful for each and every day.

It is hard to believe that Christmas is upon us, and we are almost half way through the school year. We can get so bogged down in the hustle and bustle of the season and life that we miss the same things that bring such joy. Take time to slow down and enjoy each moment.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Christmas party. We will have great fellowship, food, and fun!

Many Blessings,
Valerie Steele

When you see something beautiful in someone, tell them. It may take a second to say, but for them it could last a lifetime.

- Via (The Minds Journal) -

December Meeting

Date: Tuesday, December 6th

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Home of LeAnna Graham
326 Imperial Bend
Katy, Texas 77493
(Directions below)

Program: Holiday Spa Fun with Mary Kay®,
Featuring: Yvonne Quezada, M K Consultant;
and Veronica, Certified Massage Therapist
Program Coordinator: Mona Macias
Hostess Coordinator: LeAnna Graham
Grant-in-Aid Door Prize: Sue Bathe
Thought for the Day: Amanda Cargill

*All members bring your favorite holiday finger-food. Menu is "heavy appetizers."
*Also bring children's coats, hats, and gloves to donate to children at Lieder Elementary School.

Directions to LeAnna's -326 Imperial Bend:

From Katy: Go west on Hwy 90 to FM 2855. Turn right on 2855, then right on Remington Park (first entrance to Remington Trails.) Turn right on Remington Trails Dr.; continue on it until it ends at Winding Canyon. Turn left on Winding Canyon, then take first right on to Imperial Bend. As soon as you turn, LeAnna's house is on the left corner – (2 story house with a barn at the end of the driveway.)
From Cypress: Take US-290 N to TX-99 (Grand Parkway S). Then merge onto I-10 W. Exit #737 - Pederson Rd. Turn right on Pederson Rd. Turn left on Hwy Blvd - US-90W . Turn at 1st right onto FM-2855. Turn right on Remington Park. Then follow directions above.

Lambda Gamma Calendar 2016-17

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

September 20th ✓
October 18th ✓
November 15th ✓
December 6th
January 17th, 2017
February 21st
April 18th
May 16th

Planning Ahead...

DKG Conventions and Conferences!



January 13-15, 2017 – Spectacular Texas Arts Retreat
– Camp Allen

February 17-19, 2017 – Leadership Seminar

June 22-24, 2017 – Texas State Organization
Convention at the Houston Hyatt

July 4-7, 2017 – Southwest Regional DKG Conference
in Honolulu, Hawaii

July 16-20, 2018 – International DKG Convention –
Austin, Texas

For more information, consult the TSO Website:

www.DKGTexas.org

or the DKG International Website: www.DKG.org

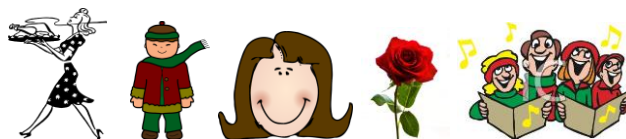
Looking way ahead to the....

International DKG Convention in July of 2018 in Austin, Texas!

**TEXAS will welcome DKG members from
all over the world to our great state!**

**Plan to be a part of this exciting event in
our capitol city, Austin!!**

There will be many fabulous opportunities
to volunteer and be involved at this
convention. Make plans to be there!!



What to Bring to the December Christmas Gathering....

**Our December Christmas Gathering is
a Pot Luck, with everyone bringing a favorite
finger-food appetizer; (something delicious
that we can enjoy without a knife or fork!)
LeAnna will provide the beverages.**

**Also, for our annual Christmas Charity
Donation, please bring an item of winter
clothing for a child... a warm coat, jacket,
hat, gloves, mittens or socks.**

**Bring your smiling holiday faces and
be ready to learn how to make them glow, as
we learn tips on beauty and stress relief, from
our talented guest speakers, Yvonne and
Veronica.**

**Be sure to come with your warm,
welcoming, Lambda Gamma hugs for our new
member, **Betty Hanlon!** Her Initiation into
DKG at this Christmastime meeting will be
perfect with our red roses!**

**And, finally, bring your singing voices!
Let's keep up our tradition and sing a
Christmas tune, or two!**

**THE TEXAS STATE ORGANIZATION OF DKG
WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL CONVENTION IN
HOUSTON! JUNE 22 - 24, 2017
at the downtown HOUSTON HYATT HOTEL.**

Registration opens in January! **We need
Lambda Gamma Members to help** with the logistical
arrangements for the Necrology Service on Saturday
morning, June 24th! (Duties will include set up, passing
out programs, etc.) The Necrology Service is a beautiful
memorial service where we remember all the Texas
DKG members who passed away in the previous year.

Every volunteer must register for the
convention. You may attend and participate for all
three days, two days, or only one day of the convention.
Registration information will be on the DKG Texas
website at www.Dkgtexas.org.

On Saturday, November 19, the convention
planning committee met at the Houston Hyatt Hotel for
a tour of the convention venue and a detailed planning
session. Martha Steele attended in the place of Sue
Bathe, who is chairing the Necrology Service Planning
Committee. Convention plans are well underway, and
it promises to be a fantastic convention you won't want
to miss!

Lambda Gamma Treasurer's Report

November, 2016

	Balance on Hand	Receipts	Disbursements	NEW BALANCES
Chapter Dues	441.00	63.00	0	504.00
Grant in Aid	1570.76	22.00	0	1592.76
General Fund	218.36	60.00	-5.00 *	273.36
State Dues	1368.00	180.00	-1548.00 *	0.00
Scholarship Dues	25.00	3.00	-28.00	0.00
Honors Fees	21.00	3.00	0	24.00
TOTALS	3644.12	331.00	-1581.00	2394.12

* Texas State Organization - Initiation Fee for Betty Hanlon

* Texas State Organization dues

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER MEETING

The Lambda Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met at Covenant Lutheran Church on November 15, 2016. After a delicious dinner provided by Group C, the meeting was called to order.

Martha Steele reported on the Bingo for Books event held at Leider Elementary, in particular the outstanding talk that member Amanda Cargill gave to the parents in attendance. A discussion on whether to change the by-laws to give the scholarship to a new teacher was held and it was decided to continue giving the scholarship to a graduating senior. The scholarship will be awarded after the recipient has attended college the first semester and has shown proof of her attendance.

Jill Johse will set up the virtual run fundraiser for the month of January. Participants will sign up for it online and run either a 5K or 10K on their own time. A place will be designated for the winners to pick up their medals.

Betty Hanlon presented a very informative program entitled 2016 Financial Benefits and Hazards that focused on filing income taxes.

Dates to remember:

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

The December meeting will be held at Leanna Graham's house, 326 Imperial Bend, Katy. Members are asked to bring finger foods for the meal.

Submitted by Evelyn Bray, Recording Secretary



BIRTHDAYS !!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE LADIES WHO
HAVE DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

December 7th - Christine Wyatt
December 23 - Minnie Cyrus



Thank you, Betty Hanlon....



....for the very informative program on Financial Planning that you presented at our November meeting. Those who were there learned all about how to navigate the benefits and hazards of financial planning. The information about long term care was really eye-opening. If you wish to talk to Betty and learn more about financial planning, here is her professional contact information.

Elizabeth "Betty" Hanlon, Financial Advisor
Morgan Stanley Wealth Management
Phone: 713-968-3092

Or, better yet, you can see her every month, in person, at our meetings, since she will be our newest member! Betty will be initiated into Lambda Gamma on December 6th! Welcome to Lambda Gamma, Betty!

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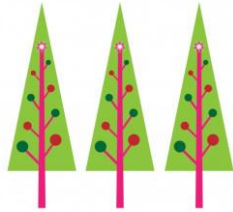
(Please remember to contact one of the officers if you cannot be present for a meeting. It's also nice to let the hostess coordinator know, so the hostess committee has a better estimate of the number of ladies to expect for food preparation!)



LAMBDA GAMMA HAS A WEBSITE!!

Have you visited our fabulous new Lambda Gamma WEBSITE?? Our 1st Vice President, Mona Macias, is our website developer and Webmaster. Thank you, Mona!
Everyone, visit the website today! Go to:
<http://dkglambdaomega.weebly.com>

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



Send a Happy Holiday Message to Our Reserve Members!

Let them know you are thinking of them and that we miss them at our meetings. Give them a call or send them a Christmas note or an email!

Our reserve members this year are:

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Send a holiday greeting, with a "Good Luck on your Final Exams" note to our Grant in Aid Student, **Katelyn Mamaux**. Her address is:

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Bedspace A
College Station, Texas 77840

DKG Texas ePals

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

Find the ePals link on the Global Awareness Committee page at www.dkgtxas.org

Let's go International with our DKG friendships!!



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

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.dkgtxas.org

LET'S STAY CONNECTED!!

Let's keep the **MOMENTUM** going for **Membership Expansion** in Lambda Gamma! Any member can recommend someone for membership. 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. Others teach in settings other than schools, such as in health, community, or corporate settings. Houston, Cypress, Katy, Prarie View and Brookshire are full of wonderful educators who would be fabulous additions to our Lambda Gamma group! Invite someone to join us, and recommend them for membership!!

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CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBER(S)

(BRING TO THE NOVEMBER MEETING AND GIVE IT TO AMANDA CARGILL, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN)

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:

Your Name: _____