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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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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year Ladies!

I hope you ladies had a wonderful vacation filled with time with your loved ones, rest, and lots of delicious food! Hopefully you are bundling up and staying warm in this ever changing weather. Who knew it could get into the teens in Houston!

Entering into a new year I encourage you, if you haven't already, to take time and reflect. Think about all the wonderful blessings, the trying times, and how God kept you. Then, think about this New Year and set some goals for yourself, or come up with one word that will be your word of the year. I had a chance to do this and it was such an incredible time. I chose to pick a word for the year. I did it last year and loved it. When times got tough I always went back to my word. This year I have chosen the word: Connection. I want to remain and continue to grow my connection with Jesus, my family, friends, co-workers, and my Lambda Gamma sisters.

JANUARY Meeting

 Date: Tuesday, January 17th
Time: 5:00 PM
Location: CyFair High School Culinary Arts Department (Located in the Cy-Fair Annex Building) (Directions below.)
Programs: Culinary Arts -It's More than Just a Cooking Class!
Featuring: Kara Palermo, Culinary Arts Teacher and the Cy-Fair Culinary Arts Student Chefs
Program: Coordinator: Teri Mason
Grant-in-Aid Door Prize: Jill Johse
Thought for the Day: Val Steele

RSVP to Teri Mason. <u>Teri.mason@cfisd.net</u> Bring \$10 cash to pay for your meal.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CY-FAIR ANNEX BUILDING

22602 Northwest Freeway, Cypress, TX 77429

From the intersection of the 290 feeder road and Telge Rd., continue going west on the 290 feeder road. Pass in front of Arnold Middle School. Turn right into the parking lot of the Annex Building (which is between Arnold and CyFair H.S.) Then drive to the left of the building to the back parking area. Enter the Culinary Arts Dining Room at the door marked Culinary Arts. (See Google Map) For map, click the following link:

https://goo.gl/maps/8D7XNXxTWSr

Sincerely, Valerie







Grant in Aid News!!

Our 2015 Grant-in-Aid nominee, Katelyn Mamaux, has reported to the Lambda Gamma Grant-in-Aid Committee that she completed all her first semester coursework at Texas A&M with passing grades!! At her request, her grant money (\$1500) in a check from Lambda Gamma, will be sent to the A&M Scholarship office to be applied to her account.

Yea!! Grant-in-Aid 2016mission accomplished!

ATTENTION!!! NEWSFLASH! THE TEXAS STATE ORGANIZATION OF DKG WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL CONVENTION at the WESTIN GALLERIA HOTEL IN HOUSTON! JUNE 22 - 24, 2017 (NOTE the CHANGE IN LOCATION! It will NOT be at the Downtown Hyatt Hotel.)

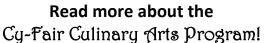
Registration will be open soon! We need Lambda Gamma Members to help with the logistical arrangements for the Necrology Service on Saturday morning, June 24th! (Duties will include set up, passing out programs, etc.) The Necrology Service is a beautiful memorial service where we remember all the Texas 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 <u>www.Dkgtexas.org</u>.

If you plan to attend, but don't want to hassle with driving to and from the Galleria each day, consider getting a room at the Westin for 3 nights and treat yourself to a mini-vacation at the Galleria with your Lambda Gamma sisters! Several Lambda Gamma members have booked rooms! See Val, Sue, and Martha for more info.







"In the kitchen with Cy-Fair ISD's Culinary Academy" ... - Cy-Fair Magazine

Go to : http://www.cyfairmagazine.com/wpcontent/uploads/2015/05/Culinary-Academy.pdf

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 Westin Galleria (NOTE: Change of location!!!) 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: <u>www.DKG.org</u>

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!!

Lambda Gamma Treasurer's Report DECEMBER, 2016 (Same as November. No new transactions in December)										
BALANCES										
Chapter Dues	504.00									
Grant in Aid	1592.76									
General Fund	273.36									
State Dues	0.00									
Scholarship Dues	0.00									
Honors Fees	24.00									
TOTALS	2394.12									

MINUTES

There was no formal Business Meeting at our December gathering; therefore no Minutes were recorded.

A summary of the December Gathering :

For our December Christmas Dinner Party, there were 14 members present at the beautifully decorated home of LeAnna Graham. We enjoyed a variety of delicious dishes brought by all the members. We welcomed Dr. Janice "Kathleen" Harder who is transferring into our chapter, and Sue Daniel, a prospective new member. Kathleen is a professor at North American University. Sue is a retired teacher from Cy-Fair ISD who is now substituting regularly in that district. Several members reduced their seasonal stress by having a massage from the massage therapist who attended the gathering. All enjoyed an evening of holiday fellowship and conversation.



BIRTHDAYS "

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE LADIES WHO HAVE JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

January 1st - Beth Eardley

January 30th- Winnie Mason





LAMBDA GAMMA HAS A WEBSITE!!

Visit the website today! Go to: <u>http://dkglambdagamma.weebly.com</u> (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.

Let's Wish Our Reserve Members a Happy New Year!

Let them know you are thinking of them and that we miss them at our meetings. Give them a call or send them a Happy New Year note or an email! Our reserve members this year are:

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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.dkgtexas.org Let's go International with our DKG friendships:



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS

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 our Grant-in-Aid Student, <u>Katelyn</u> <u>Mamaux</u> <u>a Happy New Year note.</u>

> Her address is: 801 Marion Pugh Drive Bedspace A College Station, Texas 77840

Lambda Gamma Calendar 2016-17

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

> September 20th October 18th

November 15th

December 6th

January 17th, 2017

February 21st

April 18th

May 16th



INITIATION OF NEW MEMBER!

Lambda Gamma will initiate one new members on January 17th. She is:

Betty Hanlon

In December we welcomed Dr. Kathleen Harder, who joined us by transfer from another chapter.

Give them both a warm welcome into our Chapter!

LAMBDA GAMMA OFFICERS 2016-2018

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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!)



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MEMBERSHIP MOMENTUM!!

YEA!! We've gained 2 new members this year, so far!! 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. 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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