

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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## **MAY MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, May16th

**Time:** 5:00 PM

**<u>Location:</u>** Alicia's Mexican Restaurant

25725 Katy Freeway, Katy, TX

**Dinner:** Order from menu, separate checks

**Guests: Taylor and Lynn Seibel** 

**Hostesses:** Group C:

**Thought for the Day:** 

Cake: Jo Ellen Gilliam Flowers: Martha Steele

**Greeters: Mona Macias** 

**Brenda Owen** 

Pam Redd

**Sue Ellen Reese** 

Minnie Cyrus

#### **Celebrations**

DKG Founder's Day Grant-in-Aid Scholarship Winner End of the Year 2016-17

#### **Congratulations to:**

**Taylor Seibel, Scholarship Recipient** 

Taylor is a graduating senior from Cypress Ranch High School. She will be attending Texas State University in San Marcos in the fall, 2017, and plans to major in Elementary Education.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Ladies!

It is hard to believe we are approaching the end of another school year. Where has the time gone? We are getting ready to recognize our new Grant-in-Aide recipient, Taylor. I want to thank you for stepping up and donating in order to give her a wonderful gift.

I hope you take the summer as time to relax, reflect, and have fun with family and friends! I am looking forward to the summer and all the lovely things summer brings! I also want to encourage each of you to attend Convention this summer. Let's represent our chapter and Houston! It is a great experience to see old sisters, meet new ones, and get ideas for the coming year! It is also a time to reflect and learn about the history of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Many Blessings, Valerie

# PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A GIFTCARD to the May Meeting!!

Please bring a gift card from Target, Amazon, Wal-Mart, Visa/MasterCard, Office Depot, Costco, or Sam's Club. Any denomination is acceptable. These gift cards will be Lambda Gamma's contribution to the "Unifying Project" at the DKG Texas State Organization Convention in June. All donations will go to Child Advocates organization in Houston.



# Look what's coming up!!







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

Lambda Gamma Members! We need you!! It's not too late to register!!

#### Here's what to do:

- 1. Register for the Convention. Registration forms will be available at the May meeting.
- 2. Help hand out programs at the Necrology Service. (That's Lambda Gamma's assignment!) WHEN: Saturday morning, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Be there by 7:30 AM (The service begins at 8:00AM) WHERE: "The Service of Remembrance" (Necrology Service) at the Westin Galleria Hotel
- 3. EARN CPU's by attending the Breakout Sessions.
- 4. Enjoy the Convention!! Global Awareness Symposium--- --- First Timers Event---Opening Session -Entertainment!---Friday Birthday Luncheon---Saturday Presidents Banguet---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 at the awesome Convention Vendors, and in the Galleria!!

# The Southwest Regional DKG Conference will be in Honolulu

Hawaii

**July 4 - 7, 2017** 

See www.DKGTexas.org for registration information.



## INTERNATIONAL DKG CONVENTION

July 16-20 2018

J.W. Marriott Hotel

Austin, Texas







# Lambda Gamma Members

#### **Receive Honors**

This year Lambda Gamma can boast of some special honors received by two of its members!

Our own Suzanne Bathe has been selected to serve as the Area 18 Coordinator for 2017-19!! This is a huge honor, as she will be responsible for coordinating, mentoring, visiting, and leading the 18 chapters of Area 18 of Texas. As Area Coordinator, she will chair the Fall Area Workshop in 2018, which will consist of a general meeting and breakout session workshops for all incoming chapter officers and committee chairs of Area 18. CONGRATULATIONS, SUE!!

Martha Steele was extremely honored to have been chosen as one of 30 DKG women in Texas for the Leadership Seminar Class of 2017. The 3 day seminar was held in Frisco, Texas, in February and was a fabulous leadership learning experience as well as a distinctive opportunity to bond with other DKG leaders of Texas. In 2017-19, Martha will serve her second term on the state Music committee.

# Lambda Gamma CALENDAR

**Last meeting of 2016-17 year:** 

May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Alicia's Mexican Restaurant in Katy

First meeting of 2017-18 year: September 19th, 2017 at Covenant Lutheran Church



## LAMBDA GAMMA OFFICERS 2016-2018

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## Grant in Aid News!

Lambda Gamma received 21 applications for our Grant-in-Aid Scholarship from young women graduating from Katy, Cy-Fair, and Royal school districts. The Committee reviewing the applications selected Mary Kate Archinal from Taylor High School (Katy ISD) as the top candidate. After she was informed of her selection, Mary Kate wrote to us that since applying for our scholarship, she has decided to change her major from Education to Communications, and pursue a career in public relations and sports marketing. She stated that she felt that she must decline the scholarship since it is meant for a future teacher. The Grant committee reconvened and agreed to select Taylor Seibel, who was the first runner-up in our initial selection process. We are thrilled to announce that Taylor Seibel will be our 2017 scholarship recipient. Taylor will be a graduate of Cypress Ranch High School, and will attend Texas State University in the fall. Come meet Taylor and her mother, Lynn, at our May dinner meeting where they will be our special guests.

#### Treasurer's Report

May, 2017

	Balance on Hand	Receipts	Disbursements	New Balances
Chapter Dues	504	0	0	504
Grant in Aid	431.76	590	0	1021.76
General Fund	273.36	0	0	273.36
State Dues	0	0	0	0
Scholarship Dues	0	0	0	0
Honors Fees	24	0	0	24
TOTALS	1233.12	590	0	1823.12

#### MINUTES

The Lambda Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met with the Lambda Tau Chapter at Covenant Lutheran Church on April 18, 2017. The hostess for the meeting was Group B with finger food being provided by the Lambda Gamma members.

Valerie Steele called the meeting to order and introduced the speaker for the evening, Carrie Lawson, who spoke to the group about Zija International and the health, wellness and beauty products that the organization sells.

A short business meeting was held after the program. A report from the scholarship committee was given. There were 21 applications submitted: 9 from Katy, 9 from Cy-Fair and 3 from Royal. A senior from Katy Taylor, Mary Kate Archinal, was selected for the scholarship. A recommendation was made and seconded that the chapter go back to alternating years for the three districts since there were so many applicants this year. The motion was approved. A big thank you was given to the scholarship committee for all their hard work.

Drawings for the door prizes were then held. Thank you, Martha, was getting all the wonderful prizes for the raffle.

The next meeting will be at Alicia's Restaurant on Tuesday, May 16. Group C will be the hostess. Don't forget to bring gift cards for the Unifying Project which benefits Child Advocates. (Target, Amazon, Wal-Mart, Visa/MasterCard, Office Depot, Costco, or Sam's Club)

#### Dates to Remember:

June 22-24, 2017 State Convention; chapter will be hostesses for Necrology Service on Saturday, June 24th.

Submitted by Evelyn Bray, Recording Secretary

#### Let's Stay Connected with Our Reserve Members!

Send them a card or give them a call! Invite them to lunch this summer! Remind them we are thinking of them and miss them!

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May, June, July, & August BIRTHDAYS !!

# Happy Birthday to:

Mona Macías - May 9 Katherine Johnson - May 25 Freddie Thomas - July 6 Evelyn Bray - July 22 Kathy Bergmann - August 13 LeAnna Graham - August 18 Sherron Frost - August 21



## **IDEA FOR RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS DURING THE SUMMER**

Just because it's summer and we're on a break from our DKG meetings doesn't mean we have to stop recruiting new members! Is there someone you've been thinking of who would be a fabulous new addition to our chapter? Plan to reconnect with her this summer and invite her to lunch. Tell her about Lambda Gamma and all the reasons joining DKG would enrich her life. Then set up a follow-up "Dinner Date" with her by inviting her to join us as your guest at our September 19th meeting as we begin our new year. Finally, recommend her for membership and sponsor her as a new member!





#### 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



#### Visit our Lambda Gamma Website

Go to:

http://dkglambdagamma.weebly.com

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

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# <u>Lambda Gamma is an</u>

# <u> Award-Winning Chapter!!!</u>

We received the Annie
Award for our Program on
Reach Unlimited!!





We also received the 5 Star Newsletter
Award!

Yay!!! Lambda Gamma!!