



# LAMBDA GAMMA GAZETTE



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

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

November 2019  
Volume # 38 Issue #3

Editor: Martha Steele  
marthansteele18@gmail.com

**Vision Statement:**  
Leading women educators impacting education worldwide

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters,

I love the quote by Albert Camus, "Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."

I'm so thankful we have changes in our seasons. And being thankful plays a big part in mental health. We're having counselors from Amanda's school speak about mental health for educators at our November meeting. Mental disorders are too often carefully masked because of the misunderstandings and perceived shame associated with them. Professionals and celebrities hide these problems with sometimes disastrous results. Knowing danger signs and avenues for help can make a huge difference for that person and the others in their world.

One of the factors for mental health is making a habit of counting our blessings. Some of my blessings are:

- Our willingness to work together as a chapter
- Being able to get together with our chapter sisters
- Sisters' readiness to share joys, heartaches, and challenges
- Eagerness to have additional events with our "Break at Brookwood" in March and end-of-the-year May Celebration
- Appreciation for new members – Kim Bowman, Victoria Fairleigh, and Becky Ison joining at our October meeting
- Having Pat Williamson put together our induction ceremony so elegantly, each time
- Martha Steele's doing the awesome newsletter and keeping the rest of us posted about deadlines

So see you November 19<sup>th</sup>

Huntyce

## NOVEMBER MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, NOVEMBER 19, 2019

**TIME:** 5:15 Social Time & Dinner  
5:45 Program  
6:30 Business Meeting  
7:00 Adjourn

**LOCATION:** Covenant Lutheran Church  
3785 Barker Cypress Rd.

**HOSTESSES:** Hostess Group A:  
Sherron Frost  
LeAnna Graham  
Betty Hanlon  
Becky Ison  
Amiee Modic  
Pat Williamson  
Christine Wyatt, Coordinator

**PROGRAM:** "Good Mental Health Practices"

**PRESENTERS:** All Lambda Gamma Members

Unfortunately, our scheduled speakers had a last minute conflict and are not able to come present to us as was planned. So...instead of hearing from the speakers as we'd hoped, we will hear from each other about what keeps us mentally healthy. Come prepared to share one or two of your practices or habits that keep your mental state calm, unrattled, happy, healthy, unstressed, upbeat, and/or flexible. Huntyce gave a great example in her message on this page. Perhaps completing one of these sentences will give you some ideas to share: "When I begin to feel stressed, I...." "When I begin to feel depressed, I....." "When I feel bullied or treated unfairly, I...." "When I am angry, I...." "When my students / husband / family irritate me, I...."

Let's plan to have a great discussion and help each other with maintaining good mental health.

## **Lambda Gamma** **2019-20 Meeting Dates:**

**September 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**October 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**November 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**December 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**January 21<sup>th</sup>**  
**February 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**April 21<sup>th</sup>**  
**May 12<sup>th</sup>**

**All these dates are TUESDAYS**  
**All meetings begin at 5:15 P.M.**



## **November Birthdays**

**Amiee Modic – Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>**

**and**

**Valerie Steele – Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>**

## **HOSTESS TEAMS**

### **TEAM A**

Sherron Frost  
LeAnna Graham  
Betty Hanlon  
Becky Ison  
Amiee Modic  
Pat Williamson  
Christine Wyatt

### **TEAM B**

Sue Bathe  
Amanda Cargill  
Victoria Fairleigh  
Huntyce Moore  
Mary Smith  
Val Steele

### **TEAM C**

Evelyn Bray  
Minnie Cyrus  
Jo Ellen Gilliam  
Kathleen Harder  
Mona Macias  
Teri Mason  
Martha Steele

Copies of this Hostess Team roster with emails and phone numbers will be available at the meeting. You may also request that one be emailed to you. Contact Martha Steele at [marthansteele18@gmail.com](mailto:marthansteele18@gmail.com)

**Give a call or send a card to  
our Reserve Members  
to wish them Happy  
Thanksgiving!**



**Kathy Bergmann 281-391-2408**  
**[gberg22492@aol.com](mailto:gberg22492@aol.com)**

**Winnie Mason 281-858-5153**  
**[troymason@sbcglobal.net](mailto:troymason@sbcglobal.net)**

**Brenda Owen 281-391-2075**  
**[owenbr@consolidated.net](mailto:owenbr@consolidated.net)**

**Velma Rollins 1-806-267-2985**  
**P.O. Box 367**  
**Vega, Tx 79092-0367**  
**(no email)**



## Teacher Helping Teacher

This Month's Valuable "TEACHING TIDBIT" of Teaching Advice is from Martha Steele.

Teach your students to listen with their **WHOLE BODY** – from the tip of their toes to the top of their heads! The Steps are simple:

1. Feet are still.
2. Hands are still.
3. Mouth is still and quiet.
4. Ears are listening.
5. Eyes are looking.
6. Brain is engaged and working.

**Feet, Hands, Mouth are "turned off."**  
**Ears, Eyes, and Brain are "turned on."**

### Minutes of Lambda Gamma October, 2019 Meeting

Lambda Gamma met on October 15, 2019 at Covenant Lutheran Church. After a delicious meal served by Hostess Group C, the meeting was called to order by President Huntyce Moore.

The program, "Making Friends with Technology", was presented by Mary Smith. In her presentation, Mary covered several different software websites: [storymaps.arcgis.com](http://storymaps.arcgis.com), Google Docs, Kahoot!, [Flipgrid.com](http://Flipgrid.com) and [Seesaw.com](http://Seesaw.com). She also gave those present a homework assignment due before the November meeting. A prize will be given for those who show that one of the websites has been used during the month.

After the program, three new members were inducted into the organization: Kim Bowman, Victoria Fairleigh and Becky Ison. Welcome to our newest members.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00.

Submitted by: Evelyn Bray



**HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING!**

Lambda Gamma  
Treasurer Report  
October, 2019

	Sept Balance	Receipts	(Disbursements)	Oct Balance
General Funds/ Chapter Dues		95.00		
reimb travel/ state convention				
reimbursement				
trans to state: Active 61 * 0 = 0 Reserve 0*28= 0 initiation 0*5=0				
Covenant Lutheran				
Total General funds	489.14	95.00	-	584.14
State/Int'l Dues & Scholarship fees	-	-		-
ASTE F Honors Fees	-	-		-
Grant-in-aid		30.00	(250.00)	
auction			-	
total Grant-in-aid	694.55	30.00	(250.00)	474.55
Area 18 Workshop	-			-
Totals	1,183.69	125.00	(250.00)	1,058.69

Betty Hanlon  
Treasurer  
10.31.19



## HOMWORK REMINDER!!!

**REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT THAT MARY SMITH GAVE US AT THE OCTOBER MEETING!**

....a digital creation from one of the apps she demonstrated and taught us:

**KAHOOT!, STORYMAPS, FLIPGRID, SEESAW OR GOOGLE DOCS.)**

A prize will be given to those who show they have used one or more of the apps in the past month.



### LAMBDA GAMMA TO AWARD \$250 GRANT #2

Lambda Gamma's second \$250 Grant will be awarded on November 19 to Miriam Crosby, a First Year Teacher at Labay Middle School in Cy-Fair ISD where she teaches Spanish. Miriam was nominated by Amanda Cargill, who knows Miriam because they are neighbors! Congratulations, Miriam!



### A Recipe for a Thankful Heart...

**One cup of true love,  
Two cups of kindness,  
Three cups of grace,  
A teaspoon of patience and forgiveness,  
And just a pinch of zest for living...**

**That's the kind of Thanksgiving meal we're cooking in our lives together.**



## LAMBDA GAMMA OFFICERS 2018-2020

**President: Huntyce Moore**  
832-474-9750  
[huntyceemore@katyisd.org](mailto:huntyceemore@katyisd.org)

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Mona Macias**  
832-279-3463  
[monalmacias@katyisd.org](mailto:monalmacias@katyisd.org)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Amanda Cargill**  
832-316-8015  
[amanda.cargill@gmail.com](mailto:amanda.cargill@gmail.com)

**Recording Secretary: Evelyn Bray**  
281-463-0033  
[evelynbray@yahoo.com](mailto:evelynbray@yahoo.com)

**Corresponding Secretary: Martha Steele**  
281-256-9146  
[marthansteele18@gmail.com](mailto:marthansteele18@gmail.com)

**Treasurer: Betty Hanlon**  
281-546-2277  
[betty.hanlon@gmail.com](mailto:betty.hanlon@gmail.com)

**Parliamentarian/ Immediate Past Pres.: Valerie Steele**  
713-557-5358  
[vwladybug17@aol.com](mailto:vwladybug17@aol.com)

Graphics in this newsletter are from Microsoft Clip art and DKG graphics.



## LOOKING BACK... to Oct. 15, 2019



New Lambda Gamma Members and Sponsors at Induction Ceremony on Oct. 15, 2019. L-R Huntyce Moore, (sponsoring Victoria); Victoria Fairleigh, new member; Kim Bowman, new member; Becky Ison, new member; LeAnna Graham, (sponsoring Kim).; Betty Hanlon (sponsoring Becky).



## LOOKING AHEAD to the future...

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

**December 10th** - Christmas Social with a Potluck of our Favorite Fingerfood dishes. Bring one dish of your favorite festive fingerfood, an item of winter clothing for a needy child. Invite a friend! The Gathering will be at LeAnna Graham's home.

**January 21<sup>st</sup>** – Program: “Wheel of Life – How to find and maintain BALANCE in your busy life, your classroom, your family, your work and your leisure time.” Celebration of Lambda Gamma's 40th Birthday!!!

**February 18** – Program: “Relationships... with family, co-workers, students.” Dessert Auction Fundraiser. Select the nomination committee for 2020 – 2022 officer election. Nominations for Chapter Achievement Award for 2020.

**March** - (Date TBA) Annual Spring Break Luncheon at Brookwood - just for fun and fellowship! (No business meeting or program)

**April 21** – Program: “Popular New Book Releases at the Blue Willow Book Store” presented by Valerie Koehler. (April is our Literacy Month.) Service Project: Bring a children's book to donate to a school library. Collection of 2020-2021 dues. Vote for Chapter Achievement Award.

**May 12** – End-of-Year Dinner – Celebration of Founders' Day. Honor outgoing officers. Election of Officers for 2020-2022. Announcement of Chapter Achievement Award recipient and other Awards.