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The Delta Kappa Gamma
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promotes professional
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women educators and
excellence in education.

# LAMBDA GAMMA GAZETTE

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL,
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# PRE SIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters,

In spite of the tropical depression Imelda heading towards Houston, we had a wonderfully productive planning meeting for our new school year.

Our own Mary Smith has agreed to be our speaker for October, teaching us how to "Make Friends with Technology." We will learn about programs such as Cahoot which can enhance our days and improve the efficiency of our tasks. I'm excited about learning new ways to use this important component in our lives. Be sure to bring your phone and possibly your laptop for this event.

We'll also be inducting new members Victoria Fairleigh and Becky Ison into our chapter. It's great to welcome these ladies who have already contributed their time and talents at our meetings. And a big **Thank You** to Pat Williamson for always putting our induction ceremonies together in such a lovely, meaningful manner.

See you October 15<sup>th</sup>! Huntyce Moore, President

### INDUCTION OF TWO NEW MEMBERS!!!

Lambda Gamma will hold the Induction Ceremony on Oct. 15 to officially welcome two new members into our chapter. They are Victoria Fairleigh and Becky Ison. Victoria and Becky have been attending the meetings regularly for a while. We are so proud to award them their DKG pins and make them officially part of our Lambda Gamma Sisterhood!

# **OCTOBER MEETING**

**DATE: OCTOBER 15, 2019** 

TIME: 5:15 Social Time & Dinner

5:45 Program

6:30 Induction Ceremony 6:40 Business Meeting

7:00 Adjourn

**LOCATION:** Covenant Lutheran Church

3785 Barker Cypress Rd.

**HOSTESSES:** Hostess Group C:

Martha Steele, Coordinator Evelyn Bray, Thought for the Day

Teri Mason. Door Prize

Mona Macias Jo Ellen Gilliam Kathleen Harder Minnie Cyrus

\*PROGRAM: "Making Friends with Software"

**SPEAKER:** Mary Smith

Bring your smart phones and/or your own laptop. The program will include demonstrations and "hands-on" learning using some useful, friendly software and apps that can make a positive impact in your teaching and your personal everyday life.

\*Note; Program scheduled for October (Mental Health Awareness) had to be rescheduled for November, due to a last- minute -scheduled evening school activity causing the schedule conflict for the speaker. We are fortunate that Mary Smith could switch her Nov. program to October to present on the technology topic to which we have been looking forward for a while!

# <u>Lambda Gamma</u> 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.

# HOSTESS TEAMS

### TEAM A

Sharon 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@amail.com



# Happy Birthday!

Martha Steele — 10/18 Teri Mason — 10/24

Let's Reach out to our Reserve Members!

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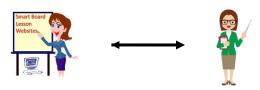


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# Teacher Helping Teacher

### This Month's Valuable "TEACHING TIDBIT" of Teaching advice

from Betty Hanlon ....

- 1. We as teachers have a great desire and responsibility to help our students grow to the next level of accomplishment. We have many tools that help us such as books, illustrations and fellow teachers. It is our challenge to know what tool and how to use it.
- 2. Before we throw up our hands, let us remember that the first and most important tool is the love we have for our student. Use that love and compassion to look into THEIR heart, give them the respect God gives, and meet them where they are.
- 3. Without judging we meet, love them, and speak to them at their level then build one stone at a time.
- 4. The result is a child who has accomplished what they thought impossible and God touches our hearts with a "Well done, good and faithful servant".

### Minutes of Lambda Gamma September, 2019 Meeting

The Lambda Gamma meeting was held September 17, 2019 at Covenant Lutheran Church. After a delicious meal served by Hostess Group B, Andrea Montano, the grant recipient for this year, was introduced. Andrea, originally from El Salvador, is a first year music teacher at Nottingham Country Elementary in Katy ISD. She was nominated by Huntyce Moore to receive the Lambda Gamma Grant for first year teachers.

<u>Business Decisions:</u> It was decided that 2 scholarships will be given this year with each recipient being awarded \$250. The amount of the grants will be determined yearly based on the amount of money in the grant fund. Andrea Montano was awarded \$250 at the meeting, and the second check will be given at a later date to a second nominee, Miriam Crosby, a first year teacher in CyFair ISD, nominated by Amanda Cargill. After this year the checks will be presented in October at a faculty meeting at the recipient's school.

Our meeting location, Covenant Lutheran Church, is being sold, but no offers have been finalized yet. The church secretary will keep us apprised. Leider Elementary has been offered as a possible alternate meeting site.

Two budgets for the year were compared. One, the Minimum change budget, would keep the budget as it is now. The Dream budget would depend on outside fund raising so we can increase our grant fund from \$1000 to \$1500 and also be able to add money to the general operations of the organization and pay for speakers if need be. The Dream budget was approved. Some of the suggestions made to acquire outside funds is to investigate Kroger's Community awards program and Randall's comparable program. Victoria Fairleigh has offered to check on these two programs. We will also have Learning Express shopping day as was done last year. Several restaurants also give a percentage back to organizations. All the members thanked Betty for preparing the two budgets, which took a lot of time and number crunching to have them ready.

A suggestion was made that we include "Teacher Tidbits" (a short bit of teaching "advice" learned from our experience) in the newsletter each month as a small means of mentoring each other. The "Tidbit" would be written and submitted by a different volunteer each month. Another suggestion was to have a volunteer each month be our "Sunshine Caller", and call members who were absent that month. Our first teacher tidbit was written by Huntyce, and was printed in the September newsletter. Martha will make "Sunshine" calls for September. For October, Betty Hanlon volunteered to submit the Teacher Tidbit, and Amanda will take the Sunshine duties.

#### **Programs and Hostess groups for 2019-2020:**

October 15: "Mental Health" - Leider Elementary Counselors (Hostess Group C)

November 19: "Latest Software Can Enhance your Teaching and more- Mary Smith (Hostess Group A)

December 10: Potluck dinner at Leanna Graham's house

January 21: "Wheel of Life" – Speaker TBA, (Hostess group B)

**February 18**: "Relationships" - Speaker TBZ (Hostess group C)

March (date TBD) – Lunch at Brookwood for spring break (no business meeting).

April 21: Latest Book Releases – Speaker Valerie Koehler, Blue Willow Book Store (Hostess group A

**May 12:** End of Year Meal to be shared at a restaurant to be determined.

September 15: Planning and Budget

October 20: "DISC": (Dominant; Inspiring; Supportive; Cautious) Which are you? Come find out.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00. Minutes submitted by Evelyn Bray, Recording Secretary

Lambda Gamma Treasurer Report				
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Betty Hanlon				
Treasurer				
9.29.19				

# **Important Dates and Deadlines**

**November 1** — Early Bird Yearbook Submission deadline

**November 1** – Fall Scholarship and Mini-Grant Application Deadline (Go to <a href="www.dkgtexas.org">www.dkgtexas.org</a> to find applications and instructions to apply)

## **LAMBDA GAMMA GRANT AWARDED**



Introducing Andrea Montano (center), our first recipient of Lambda Gamma's new "Grant for First Year Teachers." Andrea teaches music at Nottingham Country Elementary School in Katy ISD. She was nominated by Huntyce Moore to receive a grant of \$250. She will use the grant money to purchase teaching supplies for her music room. From L – R: Leanna Graham, Evelyn Bray, Martha Steele, Amanda Cargill, Andrea Montano, Huntyce Moore, Betty Hanlon, Mary Smith, and Victoria Fairleigh.

LAMBDA GAMMA'S KEY SUPPORTERS provided to us by DKG Texas State Organization are:

- Julie Eisenhauer our new Area 18Coordinator jeisen777@aol.com
- Bonnie Moore our Mentor bonniedkgtso@gmail.com

We can call on them for support in recruiting new members, empowering us to find inspiring program and project ideas, guiding us through scholarship and grant application processes and answer any other question pertaining to the KEYS of DKG.....Knowledge – Engagement –Year long involvement – Support.



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# LOOKING BACK...2019 Convention in ARLINGTON, TEXAS JUNE 20 - 23, 2019





On Left:

Dr. Jo Murphy,
TSO President
2017-19 (I)
presenting
President's gavel
to Patti Belknap (r)
incoming TSO
President 20192021

On Right:

Sue Bathe, Area 18 coordinaor 2017 – 19, hard at work on the Convention Floor preparing for the business session.



Lambda Gamma Convention
Delegation (L to R):
Martha Steele, Evelyn Bray,
Sue Bathe

LOOKING AHEAD.....TSO 91 ST CONVENTION -

WED. THROUGH FRI. - JUNE 17 - 19, 2020 - MC allen, TEXAS