

## **President's Notes**

So far 2014 is shaping up to be a wonderful year! I hope you agree. If you were able to join us for our January meeting you know that we joined by Brenda Pearson, a member of Mu Pi and also our Area 18 Coordinator. We enjoyed Brenda's invitation to attend the Alpha State Convention in Lubbock and her remarks in support of our chapter's good works. We also had an initiation ceremony to welcome our newest member, Mary Lewis! The Program Committee shared fun activities in celebration of Lambda Delta's 34<sup>th</sup> Birthday including highlights of the year 1980; members standing and sharing personality traits for their Zodiac signs; and playing a game forming words containing the letters from "Lambda Delta". We also sang Happy Birthday, shared delicious mini-cupcakes, and honored our charter members and past presidents. Another birthday "surprise" was a visit from reserve member, Joyce Lacy, who has moved to South Carolina but was back to visit. We enjoyed seeing you, Joyce!



Volunteers at the Book Festival were (I-r) Derry Summer, Mary Widmier, Gaylan Chadwick, Marian Mannix and Cheryl Moore.

A huge thank you goes out to all Lambda Delta members who helped us in our Raffle at the Humble ISD Children's Book Festival on January 25. Not only was the festival itself very successful but we had a record profit with our raffle ticket sales. We collected over \$1700 in ticket sales over a 4-hour period! We will be presenting a check to the district Librarians to assist them with future visits from current authors. Thanks also to everyone in our chapter who donated items or money for the lovely Lambda Delta spa basket. What a wonderful community project.

# Making an Impact on Our Future

Our thanks to this year's Nominations Committee for the great job they have done in securing nominations for officers for the coming biennium. Members of the Nominations Committee were Susan Barrow, Chris Pearce, Mary Sanders, Karen Seay and Janet Dickinson. We appreciate the job that this committee has done.

Please attend the February meeting where we will open the floor for further nominations and then cast our votes for new officers. Nominations as presented by the committee are:

President	Carol Smith
1st Vice President, Programs	Gaylan Chadwick
2nd Vice President, Yearbook	Eileen Debo
Recording Secretary	Derry Summer
Corresponding Secretary	Mary Widmier

We will also be electing a new Nominating Committee for the 2016-18 biennium. Proposed members for the Nominating Committee are Dottie Willner, Connie Johnson, Rhian Webb, and Kathy Hogan.

# Access One of the Many Benefits of DKG Membership Apply for a Scholarship or Mini-Grant

Considering applying for an Alpha State Scholarship or Mini-Grant? The time to do so is now since the deadline for all applications is March 1. There are various types of awards available – anything from scholarships for college credit of either 3, 6, or 9 hours to mini-grants for travel, adult education experiences, or professional development. All forms of applications require letters of recommendation. Therefore, if you are interested please contact your chapter president, Mary Widmier, as soon as possible. More information will be available at the February meeting or you can find guidelines and application forms for all scholarships and grants on the Alpha State website at the following URL: <a href="http://www.alphastatetexas.org/scholarships.html">http://www.alphastatetexas.org/scholarships.html</a>

International Theme: 2012-2014 Sharing Our Vision ~ Strengthening Our Society

# Alpha State Theme: 2013-2015

Expand the Vision: Educate, Inspire, Encourage

### **Lambda Delta Theme: 2012-2014** *Exploring Possibilities for Our Future*



Tuesday February 11, 2014

DENIM AND DIAMONDS RODEO ROUNDUP; WORLD FELLOWSHIP SCHOOLS FOR AFRICA

"EDUCATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE THE WORLD."

-NELSON MANDELA

This meeting is an unusual combination, rodeo and schools in Africa. Yet, February is the focus for both of these events and projects. Every year DKG sponsors the World Fellowship. This year DKG is focusing on the schools in Africa, supporting the good works of Nelson Mandela. The terrible fact remains that out of more than 57 million children around the world out of school, more than half live in sub-Saharan Africa.

Lambda Delta Chapter is going to have a Rodeo Roundup with a focus on Schools for Africa. We will 'roundup' information about Africa and the devastating conditions that exist. Also, we will "roundup" additional information on what is being done to educate the children in Africa. Mandela believed that education is the key to everything: dignity, prosperity, health and democracy.

# BOOKS

- ARE WE COLLECTING THIS MONTH? YES
- NEW AND GENTLY USED BOOKS? YES
- DISTRIBUTING BOOKS IN FEB.? YES
  - GUESS HOW MANY WE HAVE NOW. ?

TELL YOU AT THE MEETING.

**SEE YOU SOON!** 

# You're Invited!

Please join us on Thursday, April 10, for our annual Founders' Day Banquet. This annual event is always our opportunity to celebrate alongside our sisters from Mu Pi and will once again be at Kingwood Country Club. This year's banquet will be hosted by Lambda Delta so please let us know if you are available to help us prepare decorations, door prizes, favors, or programs for the evening. This year we are welcoming a visit from the Alpha State President, Nancy Newton. It should truly be a wonderful evening!

We are sending an invitation with all of the details at the end of this newsletter. You are asked to RSVP no later than April 1. Cost of the dinner is \$27. You may reserve your dinner by paying Loweta at the Feb. 11 meeting or by mailing your check (made payable to "Lambda Delta") by April 1 to her at Loweta Jorgensen, 5 Links Court, Kingwood, TX 77339. We'll see you there!

## **Mark Your Calendars**

Remaining Meetings and Events for the Spring of 2014:

Tues, Feb. 11	Meeting, ISC Building, Room 1038	4:15 – 5:45 pm
Thurs, April 10	Founders' Day Banquet, Kingwood CC	6:00 – 8:30 pm

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### Happy Birthday Greetings to the following Lambda Delta Members!!!

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- 8 Karen Seay
- 26 Kaye Reifschneider

## March Birthdays:

- 3 Connie Johnson
- 4 Martha Schaffer
- 17 Mary Linda Lewis
- 21 Deborah Thomas
- 31 Dottie Willner

#### Hostesses at the February Meeting:

Kathy Hogan

Gayle Stahl Kaye Reifschneider Connie Johnson Tina Smith Martha Schaffert Kathy Hogan

#### **Door Prizes:**

Gayle Stahl Gaylan Chadwick Connie Johnson Mary Sanders Chris Pearce Kathy Hogan

You're Invíted!

DKG Founders Day Banquet

Thursday, Apríl 10, 2014 6:00 pm Kíngwood Country Club 1700 Lake Kíngwood Traíl Kíngwood, Texas 77339

Join members from the Lambda Delta and Mu Pi Chapters In celebration of the DKG Founders

Cost is \$27. Menu includes Grilled Chicken with Chardonnay Sauce, Salad, Vegetables, Dessert, Tea & Coffee

Honored Guest: Nancy Newton, Alpha State President

Please RSVP on or before Tuesday, Apríl 1 Sígn up at the February meetíng or maíl your check to Loweta Jorgensen at 5 Línks Court, Kíngwood, TX 77339

Lambda Delta Officers

President: Mary Widmier 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Marian Mannix 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Eileen Debo Recording Secretary: Carol Smith Corresponding Secretary: Dottie Willner Treasurer: Loweta Jorgensen Parliamentarian: Cheryl Moore

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