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

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President's Notes

It was great seeing everyone at the September meeting. We had a great time playing "Fact or Fiction" and Lambda Delta Bingo. We also celebrated our many awards from the past year and renewed our friendships while welcoming some visitors to our group. Please note that our **on-going projects** for the year are collecting **books for elementary classroom collections** and also **mentoring new teachers** at 4 schools: Humble, Foster and Bear Branch Elementary and also Kingwood High School. Thanks to our members who indicated that they would be buddy/mentors for these teachers. October is a busy month for our group. Read more on Pages 2-3 of this newsletter!

FACT OR FICTION?

Truth can be stranger than fiction. Our members at the September meeting had the opportunity to share events with each other and to decide; fact or fiction? It was thoroughly enjoyed as statements were made and presented to the members who were then asked, "Fact or Fiction?" Much laughter ensued as members tried to figure out the truth.

Here are some examples.

Marian Mannix had an Anaconda snake draped around her neck on a field trip. (Fact)

She also saw a ghost at a haunted restaurant. (Fiction)

Mary Sanders has visited forty states. (Fact)

Susan Barrow shook hands with Hakeem Olajuwon. (Fiction)

Books –Books- Books- Books

You all know how necessary reading is in the life of a child. What a beautiful sight it is to see when a child is sitting quietly with a book and is totally engrossed in the story. An important on-going project this year is to provide reading books for new teachers. The first year teacher needs storybooks for their classroom. On a daily basis quiet reading time is scheduled for the students. However, the book choices are usually very limited for the first year teacher. We would like to help. We are looking for donations of **new or gently used books** at **every** meeting and we are off to a great start! **Thanks to all who brought books to our September meeting and to those who donated a dollar or more toward the purchase of gently used books from the Kingwood Library.**

Scenes from our last meeting:



Connie Johnson received congratulations on her recent retirement!



Derry Summer received a commemorative pin for 25 years of membership!



Marian Mannix and Mary Widmier celebrate our chapter's 2012-13 Annie Award.

October Happenings

Garage Sale Fundraiser: Our garage sale is scheduled for Saturday, October 12. Items may be dropped off beginning October 5. Please consider volunteering for an hour or more on the morning of the event. See more details in this newsletter.

Nominations: It's time now to nominate new members for Lambda Delta. Please submit nominations no later than October 20. Send completed nomination forms to either Janet Dickinson or Gaylan Chadwick at KHS. You can email Gaylan at Gaylan.Chadwick@humble.k12.tx.us or gchadwick4@gmail.com or Janet at janet.dickinson@humble.k12.tx.us Forms can also be mailed to Gaylan at 123 Cedar Lake Road, Huffman, TX 77336. Our ballot for the election of new members will be completed via email so watch your messages for your ballot after October 20.

GHACC Luncheon: Please consider attending the October 26 Luncheon event. The Houston Racquet Club is one of Houston's most exclusive venues, very nice, and this event will be a great opportunity for our members to hear from Nancy Newton, our Alpha State President. **Payment of \$30 for the luncheon is due October 10th. Please let Loweta (Ljorgy2@aol.com) know if you plan to attend this event by October 10th.** Car-pool groups will be formed after everyone responds. The service project is "Change for Chapters". Members will bring their change/coins in a zip lock bag to be placed in boxes on each table. The funds collected will be given to ASTEF for chapter projects in the President's name. This not only honors Nancy but also funds chapter projects, a win-win!!!

Dues: Annual chapter dues must be paid by October 31st, as that is the due date for the State and International dues. Please pay as soon as possible! **This year we will be collecting \$100** which includes Lambda Delta dues of \$85 and a donation of \$15 for a fundraiser. Of this amount \$60 covers your State and International membership dues. The other \$25 is local dues and \$7 of that amount is allocated toward our Grants in Aid for college students. Your membership covers many benefits at the local, state and international level. If you have questions or need to pay in installments, please contact Treasurer Loweta Jorgensen at Ljorgy2@aol.com Please make your checks payable to "Lambda Delta" and mail to: Loweta Jorgensen, 5 Links Ct, Kingwood, TX 77339

Mark Your Calendars Now!

Meetings & Events scheduled for the 2013-14 year are as follows.

Please note that the date for the April banquet has been changed.

Sat, Oct. 12	Garage Sale Fundraiser	7:30 am – 11:00 am
Sat, Oct. 26	Area Luncheon @ Houston Racquet Club	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Thurs, Nov. 14	TBA-Orientation	4:15 – 5:45 pm
Thurs, Dec. 5	Holiday Party-Loweta Jorgensen's Home	5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Thurs, Jan 16	ISC Building, Room 1007	4:15 – 5:45 pm
Tues, Feb 11	ISC Building, Room 1038	4:15 – 5:45 pm
Thurs, April 10	Kingwood CC, Founders' Day Banquet	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Lambda Delta Garage Sale

It's been two years since we sponsored a garage sale so it's time now to clean out your closets, cabinets and storage units and put your unused or unwanted items to good use. Proceeds will fund our grants-in-aid and other projects to benefit the community.

When: Saturday, Oct. 12, 7:30 am – 11:00 am

Where: Mary's house in Sand Creek Village
5515 Lone Cedar Dr, Kingwood

Drop off: Saturday, Oct. 5 thru Friday, Oct. 11
After 5 pm each day or call/email Mary for other times

Items to donate – We know these items will sell well:

- Small furniture items (side tables; chairs; etc)
- Decorator items (lamps, pictures, plants, frames, etc.)
- Household appliances
- Electronics
- Baby items
- Linens, kitchenware
- Jewelry, purses, accessories

NO clothing, shoes, or books

NO one-of-a-kind or mismatched mugs, dishes, or glasses (full sets are OK)

Working the garage sale on October 12 will be a lot of fun. If you are available to help for an hour or more that morning, please email Mary at mary.widmier@yahoo.com and let her know what time you plan to attend the sale.

Lone Star News: The latest edition of the Alpha State newsletter "Lone Star News" can be found on the Alpha State website at <http://www.alphastatetexas.org/lonestarnews/2013.fall.pdf> See the article and picture on page 9 of the newsletter, honoring our chapter as one of only 30 chapters in the state who received the PACE Award at the state convention in June. Congratulations to all of us!

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

October Birthdays

13	Jan Brady	23	Joyce Lacy
15	Pam Black	25	Margaret Henken

Lambda Delta Officers

President: Mary Widmier
1st Vice President: Marian Mannix
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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Please send news submissions, additions or corrections
for *The Ledger* to: Dottie Willner – dottiewillner@gmail.com and
Susan Barrow – barrowsusan13@yahoo.com

Please copy both people in your submission. Next Newsletter **deadline** is October 27.



Do You Have An Ample Supply of Vitamin F ???

Vitamin F..... Why do I have a variety of friends who are all so different in character? How is it possible that I can get along with them all? I think that each one helps to bring out a "different" part of me. With one of them I am polite. With another I joke. I can sit down and talk about serious matters with one. With another I laugh a lot. I listen to one friend's problems. Then I listen to another one's advice for me.

Real Age doctors tell us that friends are good for our health. Dr. Oz calls them Vitamin F (for Friends) and counts the benefits of friends as essential to our well being. Research shows that people in strong social circles have less risk of depression and terminal strokes. If you enjoy Vitamin F constantly you can be up to 30 years younger than your real age. The warmth of friendship stops stress and even in your most intense moments, it decreases the chance of a cardiac arrest or stroke by 50%. I'm so happy I have an ample supply of Vitamin F!