

Notes From Your President

Welcome to our newest members – Susan Butler, Debbie Huxohl, and Debbie Prucha! We welcome them to our chapter and invite them to join in our programs, projects, and special events! If you were able to attend our January meeting you learned of all of our special events and projects for the remainder of the year. At our February meeting we will celebrate and support World Fellowship. Join us at Safari Legends in Kingwood on February 21 and learn about the efforts of DKG in supporting women around the world. During the week of March 3-9 our members will participate in the statewide focus on "The Week of Caring" through volunteer efforts. See more information in this newsletter and participate in one of the chosen activities. Finally, please sign up now to attend the Founders' Day Banquet, scheduled for April 18, 6:00 pm at Kingwood Country Club. It's our last official meeting of the year and always offers an evening of fun, food, and fellowship. See you there!

LAMBDA DELTA PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR 2012-2013

FEBRUARY 21, 2013	Program: World Fellowship at Safari Legends, Inc. (Off-site location) Includes "tour" of Safari Legends: Social: 4:15 pm.; Meeting: 4:30 – 6:00 pm LOCATION IS NEXT TO LUBY'S – ENTER FROM THE FOREST COLLECTION STORE
APRIL 18, 2013	Program: Founders' Day Dinner Kingwood Country Club, 6:00 pm Hosted by Mu Pi Lambda Delta will showcase Traveling Annie Pictures

February Meeting – Join us on Safari!

Mark your calendars now to attend our February meeting on Thursday, Feb. 21, 4:15 pm. The location is the Forest Collection & Safari Legends located in the Hwy 59 shopping center in Kingwood

(next door to Luby's). Our meeting will feature a brief business meeting; World Fellowship presentation; and tours of both the Forest Collection and Safari Legends stores.

The Forest Collection has gorgeous jewelry, Arthur court rings and necklaces that are reasonably priced from \$29 to \$59. Seiko watches are now 25% off the suggested price and designer candle fragrances are placed throughout and ready for purchase.

Safari Legends offers beautiful wood carvings from Africa, marble and jade animal statues, oil paintings, leather accessories, purses, belts, boots, and furniture. There are numerous items from Africa which will offer a great background for our Traveling Annie pictures! In addition, DKG has been promoting schools in Africa and this meeting falls beautifully into DKG's focus. Bring your Annie cut-outs and your cameras. Hope to see you there!

Week of Caring

Members of our Lambda Delta chapter will be participating in the DKG Week of Caring scheduled for the week of March 3-9, 2013. The vision for the week of caring is for each chapter to select a project or projects to help in their communities. After discussion at our January meeting it was decided that Lambda Delta members would participate in one of the following projects: 1) Volunteer reading to children OR 2) Sharing baked goods and snacks with teachers in faculty workrooms. We will report our projects with the Alpha State Personal Growth and Services Committee who will be collecting the information and sharing its report at the annual state convention in June. Remember to contact schools to let them know you are part of the "Week of Caring" and would like to visit their school.

Members signed up for one of the projects at our January meeting but more volunteers are needed and you are invited to join one or both of the projects. A list of participants is being sent along with this newsletter. To add your name to our list of participants please email Mary Widmier at <u>mary.widmier@yahoo.com</u>

Founders Day Dinner

Please note that the Founder's Day Banquet is scheduled for **Thursday, April 18.** This is always a lovely event and will be at **Kingwood Country Club** at **6:00 pm**. Mu Pi is hosting this year and our menu choices are Lemon Pepper Tilapia or Pecan Crusted Chicken. Sign up early and reserve your dinner now. Ticket price is \$30. You can sign up at our February meeting or contact Loweta Jorgensen at <u>ljorgy2@aol.com</u> and add your name to our reservations list.

Society Scholarships – Now is the Time to Apply!

Each year numerous scholarships are available to DKG members to pursue graduate study, Doctoral degrees, educational travel, and adult education. Awards range from \$500 - \$5000. The deadline for application forms is March 1, 2013 so now is the time to start the application process. For guidelines and application forms go to the following Alpha State web page: http://www.alphastatetexas.org/scholarships.html

For additional information and to request a reference letter to support your application contact the Chapter President, Mary Widmier at <u>mary.widmier@yahoo.com</u>.

"LAUGH YOUR STRESS AWAY'

The **January meeting** was packed with an interesting list of items on the agenda. The Program Committee scheduled our guest speaker, **Danielle Schaaf**, author, humorist, speaker, and newspaper columnist who graciously began our meeting with vignettes in the daily life of **Contessa**, her alter-ego! Her delightful portrayal of Contessa and the Contessa's family are convincingly realistic. Soon, one begins to wonder, "Hmmmm, is this Danielle's family?" **However, Danielle assures the audience it is her alter-ego, The Contessa!** Danielle is available to serve as a guest speaker/emcee, etc. or conduct a "Corkin' With Contessa" comedy show. She works with organizations that host fund-raising events such as galas, fashion shows, luncheons, and other special events so if you are involved in other organizations in the area you can contact her at <u>dschaaf@embarqmail.com</u>

ANNIE, ANNIE, WHERE OH WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?

Be sure to develop a print of yourself and Annie and bring it to our **February meeting.** If you and **ANNIE** have not been anywhere special, then bring her to the meeting on February for great picture taking of far away places! **We want pictures of you and our "Traveling Annie."** It will be fun to illustrate in pictorial form our **activities and places** we have visited with Annie. **Marian will collect your photos with Annie and also take pictures during the February meeting.**

HAAM DONATIONS DELIVERED

A trunk-load of food items were delivered to the HAAM location in Humble. The warehouse was busy with at least a dozen volunteers busily separating and boxing foods for the needy. Also, there were several ladies, leaving with food for their families. Then I silently, thanked Lambda Delta for the generosity of its members. Now I give to you all, a big shout-out with a smile, "THANK YOU!" From Marian, representing the Program Committee: Joyce, Nell, Kaye, Derry, Carol S.



Annie went to HAAM to help.

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

February Birthdays

March Birthdays

- 7 Carol Smith
- 8 Karen Seay
- 26 Kaye Reifschneider
- 3 Connie Johnson
- 4 Martha Schaffert
- 9 Anne Psimas
- 21 Emily Fuson
- 21 Deborah Thomas
- 31 Dottie Wilner

