

President's Notes

Greetings from Lambda Delta and Welcome to the 2013-14 school year! Can anyone tell me where the summer has gone? It seems just a few days ago we were winding down another year but yet here we are starting a brand new one! I know all of you will agree that the summer months are pass by much too quickly.

Meanwhile, your officers have met over the summer months and are planning a great year for all members. Make a note of our schedule for the year. You will notice that we have some meetings on Mondays or Tuesdays, rather than on Thursdays. We are doing this in an effort to involve more members who may have conflicts on certain days of the week. We hope you can attend all, most or at least some of our meetings and participate in our group's projects and activities. Read more in this newsletter about the awards our chapter received in June at the annual Alpha State Convention; the meetings and projects this year; plans for our fundraising efforts; and opportunities for you to be involved with committees and events this year. We'll see you at our September meeting! Mary

LAMBDA DELTA WELCOMES YOU

Lambda Delta Chapter of DKG welcomes you to our first meeting of the year scheduled on Monday, September 23rd. We will be taking care of chapter business as well as participating in fun activities.

- Do you like interacting with your sister members?
- What have you been doing lately?
- Anything special or strange going on in your family?
- Can you keep a straight face when discussing something funny?

Well this September 23rd we will find out! Did you read MONDAY? Yes MONDAY, September 23rd, it's true! See you soon at the ISC CENTER. 4:15 P.M.

BRING GENTLY USED OR NEW BOOKS FOR ELEMENTARY GRADES TO BE GIVEN TO NEW TEACHERS FOR THEIR CLASSROOM LIBRARY TO SUPPORT "QUIET READING TIME."

Do you remember our last meeting? It was last April and it was our Founders' Day Banquet. Cheryl Moore received the Chapter Achievement Award and both Joyce Lacy and Derry Summer were honored for 25 years of membership! Congratulations to these members on their awards!

Mark Your Calendars Now!

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

Mon, Sept. 23	ISC Building, Room 1038	4:15 – 5:45 pm
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
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Tues, April 15	TBA-Annual Founders' Day Banquet	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Due Date for Dues!!

Annual chapter dues can be paid anytime from today through the October meeting. 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 bring your check for \$100 to the September meeting or mail to: Loweta Jorgensen, 5 Links Ct, Kingwood, TX 77339

October Meeting Information

Many of you may know that Lambda Delta Chapter is a member of Area 18. The entire Houston/Galveston area is composed of Areas 3 and 18 which forms the Greater Houston Area Coordinating Council (GHACC). GHACC often coordinates either training or other important functions. This October GHACC is hosting two special events to welcome our newly elected Alpha State President, Nancy Newton. The events are as follows and are both scheduled at the Houston Racquet Club, located on Memorial Drive in the Hunter's Creek Village area.

Friday, October 25 Reception – 6:30-9:00 pm. This is a come-and-go event with light appetizers and a chance to personally meet President Newton and welcome her to the area. There is no charge for this event and no need to RSVP.

Saturday, October 26 Luncheon – 10:45-1:00 pm. This event will feature members from all chapters in Area 3 and Area 18. President Newton will speak at the luncheon and our chapter will be counting this event in place of our regular October meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. There is a charge of \$30 for the lunch. You must RSVP by Oct. 10 to Loweta. Car-pool groups will be formed after everyone responds.

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 the leaders of our state organization.



Lambda Delta Members At Alpha State Convention June 2013

Attending the Alpha State Convention in Austin this year were (I-r): Cheryl Moore; Mary Widmier; Judy Dunnegan; and Marian Mannix. Why are they all smiling? Lambda Delta Chapter finished a great 2012-13 year and received the PACE Award for chapter excellence and the Annie Award for outstanding programs!

Lambda Delta Offícers

President: Mary Widmier Ist Vice President: Marian Mannix 2nd Vice President: Eileen Debo Recording Secretary: Carol Smith Corresponding Secretary: Dottie Willner Treasurer: Loweta Jorgensen Parliamentarian: Cheryl Moore

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

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Please send news submissions, additions or corrections for *The Ledger* to: Dottie Willner – <u>dottiewillner@gmail.com</u> and Susan Barrow – <u>barrowsusan13@yahoo.com</u> Please copy both people in your submission. Next Newsletter **deadline** is September 30.



CONGRATULATIONS to long-time member Connie Johnson on her recent retirement and to Chris Pearce on the birth of another grandchild early this summer. **CONDOLENCES** to Mary Widmier on the recent loss of her brother-in-law and to Gayle Cunningham on the loss of her husband.

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

August Birthdays

- 4 Judy Dunnegan
- 10 Chris Pearce
- 12 Mary Widmier
- 13 Bonnie Longnion
- 19 Debbie Prucha
- 21 Janet Dickinson

September Birthdays

- 17 Carol Kollehner
- 18 Norma Deavours
- 20 Kathy Hogan
- 23 Derry Summer
- 24 Caryn Uttenweiler
- 25 Wanda Johnson

Article Review from the Web - "Little ways to lift your mood"

Experts say you won't find true joy in a paycheck or miracle wrinkle-remover. An article found on the web states that life circumstances account for only 10% of happiness. It's good to know that about 40% of our happiness is influenced by what we do deliberately to make ourselves happy. Next time you need to turn around a bad day at work or brighten up a draggy afternoon, try one of these proven tips to lift your mood and make you smile. Read more at:

http://www.prevention.com/health/emotional-health/fast-tricks-boost-your-mood-and-happiness

Flip through old photos Open your shades Chat up a neighbor

Chop some veggies Walk around the block Rethink your retail therapy In hale a calming scent Clear away clutter Do a good deed

Audrey Hepburn's Beauty Tips

A Poem by Sam Levenson (Shared at the Alpha State Convention by featured speaker Anne Barab)

For attractive lips, speak words of kindness.

For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people.

For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.

For beautiful hair, let a child run his or her fingers through it once a day.

For poise, walk with the knowledge you'll never walk alone.

As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, the other for helping others.

The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she carries, or the way she combs her hair.

The beauty of a woman must be seen from in her eyes, because that is the doorway to her heart, the place where love resides.

