

# Lambda Delta Chapter The Ledger



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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 Message:

Welcome to the 2014-2016 Biennium! It was great to see nineteen of us at our first meeting, breakfast at Luby's on the Saturday morning before the first day of school! It was a wonderful way to celebrate what we accomplished last year and to look ahead at what we plan to accomplish in the coming year. We celebrated the twenty-two of us that are still "in the trenches", and we celebrated the eight awards Lambda Delta received at the State Convention. We celebrated the two members serving on State Committees, and we celebrated the officially approved chapter website, now accessible with a link on the State website! We collected 44 pounds of school supplies (how else do you quantify a "generous bunch" of pencils, pens, paper, markers, note cards, dividers, Target gift cards, etc.?), which were taken to HAAM that afternoon, and we heard about upcoming programs and service projects. We made plans for the Area 18 Fall Workshop, and we signed up for committees, meditations, hostesses, and door prizes.

The Area 18 Fall Workshop will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2014, at Northeast Christian Academy (the old Forest Cove Baptist Church building on Hamblen Road), with breakfast served at 8:00 and the last meeting to be adjourned at 12:30. Lambda Delta is greeting ladies with a smile as they arrive, helping vendors to set up, and directing participants to the various meeting rooms. Please arrive between 7:30 and 7:45. If you haven't already signed up but would like to attend, please let Loweta <a href="mailto:ljorgy2@aol.com">ljorgy2@aol.com</a> or me <a href="mailto:cks2752@gmail.com">cks2752@gmail.com</a> know as soon as possible. The cost is \$12 per person, and Brenda Pearson, Area Coordinator, said you could pay at the door. The deadline for registration is September 1, 2014. Area 18 will be collecting items needed for Ronald McDonald House. Lambda Delta will be selling Delta Kappa Gamma spiral notebooks/journals (\$12 each or 2 for \$20) at the Workshop.

Our next chapter meeting will be on MONDAY, September 29, 2104, 4:15-5:45 at the ISC, room 1005. Hope to see you there!

#### **Carol Smith, President**

### **Calendar of Future Meeting Dates:**

SATURDAY, September 13, Area 18 Fall Workshop, Northeast Christian Academy

MONDAY, September 29, ISC, room 1005

THURSDAY, October 30, 2014, ISC, room 1005

TBD, November – prospective member orientation

WEDNESDAY, December 3, 2014, Marian Mannix's home – Christmas Banquet

& New Member Initiation

THURSDAY, January 15, 2015, ISC, room 1005

THURSDAY, February 19, 2015, ISC, room 1005

TUESDAY, April 14, 2015, The Overlook - Founders' Day Banquet, Mu Pi hosting

# Sneak Peek at Plans for September By Gaylan Chadwick,1st VP, Program Chairman

Our Program: Carolyn Mashburn (Mu Pi) will lead us in a Mini-STAR project and talk about the STAR workshop planned for January 16-17, 2015 in Navasota. (STAR is Spectacular Texas Art Retreat). She will also give us insights on the works and activities of ASTEF (Alpha State Texas Education Foundation).

<u>Our Business:</u> Members will also be asked to Recommend/Nominate New Members. <u>Our Projects:</u> This year we have two on-going projects for every meeting:

- We will have a collection to support HAAM (Humble Area Assistance Ministries) at every meeting, based on their Seasons of Sharing. More details will be announced as the Sept. meeting gets closer. We collected school supplies at our August meeting.
- We will also continue to collect new and gently-used children's books at every meeting, to be given to elementary schools in need and their teachers and/or librarians. Last year we collected over 300 books!

Join us for the September 29 Meeting. Hope to see you there!

#### **Due Date for Dues!!**

#### By Loweta Jorgensen, Treasurer

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.

## Area 18 Workshop - Reserve your Spot Now to Attend

The Area 18 Workshop will be held on Saturday, Sept. 13. Cost of the workshop is \$12. Please let Loweta (Ljorgy2@aol.com) know as soon as possible if you plan to attend.

At the August meeting we collected supplies to take to the Area 18 Fall Workshop, for the Houston Ronald McDonald House in Houston. Supplies can be donated until the workshop on Sept. 13.

#### Thanks for Helping with STAR!

By now you have probably heard of the first-ever art retreat for DKG members, scheduled for January of 2015 at Camp Allen near Navasota. It's called STAR: Spectacular Texas Art Retreat. The STAR organizers would really appreciate your saving and donating the following items:

Sea shells Beads and any broken jewelry pieces

Ribbon, all colors and widths Corks from wine bottles

Bottle caps Embellishments for scrap booking

Duct tape Anything with a star on it

Carolyn Mashburn is collecting these items and will be at our next meeting so please bring your collection of needed items to her at the September meeting. STAR also needs the loan of hot glue guns and extension cords for January. Please let Carolyn know if you have those.

#### **Awards presented at Texas State Convention:**

New president Carol Smith attended the annual convention of the Texas State Organization held in Lubbock June 19-21. She is proud to report the following awards and recognitions received by Lambda Delta for our chapter excellence and activities for 2013-2014. Congratulations to our wonderful chapter!

Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE) – rose to Mary Widmier

Annie Award - Rodeo Round Up: World Fellowship - Schools for Africa

- rose to Marian Mannix & Mary Widmier

Five-Star Newsletter Award - rose to Dottie Willner & Susan Barrow

**Exemplary Yearbook with Early Bird Award** – rose to Eileen Debo

In addition, Lambda Delta received recognition for donations to the following funds:

Eula Lee Carter Memorial Fund

Alpha State Texas Educational Foundation (ASTEF)

Scholarship - Double Honors

Leadership – Trailblazers Recognition

Projects - Builders Recognition



Betty Walters (Past President of Mu Pi) and Carol Smith (Incoming President of Lambda Delta) accept PACE Award Certificates at the Alpha State convention in June. Lambda Delta and Mu Pi were the only two chapters in Area 18 to earn this very prestigious award for chapter excellence!

# Lambda Delta Officers

President: Carol Smith

1st Vice President: Gaylan Chadwick

2nd Vice President: Eileen Debo

Recording Secretary: Derry Summer

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Widmier

Treasurer: Loweta Jorgensen

Parliamentarian: Cheryl Moore

International Theme: 2014-2016

85 Years and Beyond: Advancing Key Women Educators for Life

Alpha State Theme: 2013-2015

Expand the Vision: Educate, Inspire, Encourage

Lambda Delta Theme: 2014-2016

Advancing Our Vision\*

\*Subject to change

#### **Check out the New Website**

#### By Mary Widmier, Corresponding Secretary

Lambda Delta chapter has a newly-revised and refurbished website. This website has also earned the formal approval of DKG as a certified Society website. A link can be found on the Texas State Organization website at <a href="www.alphastatetexas.org">www.alphastatetexas.org</a> Just click on Chapter Websites and our chapter name to open our website. Or go to <a href="www.dkglambdadelta.weebly.com">www.dkglambdadelta.weebly.com</a> to open our website directly. We encourage you to bookmark this site and access it regularly for newsletters, photos, our yearbook and announcements. Use the password code "rose" to open the protected pages.

Check out all of the websites! Lambda Delta's website is <a href="www.dkglambdadelta.weebly.com">www.dkglambdadelta.weebly.com</a>
Texas State Organization is <a href="www.dkg.org">www.dkg.org</a>
International is <a href="www.dkg.org">www.dkg.org</a>

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

<u>September Birthdays</u>		<u>October Birthdays</u>	
17	Carol Kollehner	13	Jan Brady
20	Kathy Hogan	15	Pam Black
23	Derry Summer	17	CaLandra Pervis
24	Caryn Uttenweiler	23	Joyce Lacy
25	Wanda Johnson	25	Margaret Henken

#### **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Please send news submissions, additions or corrections for *The Ledger* to:

Mary Widmier via email: <a href="mary.widmier@yahoo.com">mary.widmier@yahoo.com</a>

Please copy your submission to Carol Smith via email: cks2752@gmail.com

Next Newsletter deadline is September 30.

