

Theta Lambda News

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This newsletter, as well as other important Delta Kappa Gamma information can be found at our website:

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President's Message

Sisters,

With grass and trees turning greener, the temperatures warming, and roses appearing on my bushes, it feels like maybe winter is coming to a close. The end of winter signals the beginning of spring and the idea of new life and renewal.

I have been so fortunate to have attended the births of not one, but two of my grandsons in the past 17 days. What a magical experience to be a witness to these two wonderful beings entering the world! Lane Arthur arrived February 10, and Kirk Robert arrived February 27.

Though there are many parts of these births that were similar, the two experiences couldn't be more different. One was a long, slow labor, the other was over in 5 ½ hours. One kept us up all night waiting for his arrival, and the other arrived after school and before dinner! One was born on a very cold 32-degree Austin weekend, the other came at the beginning of Garth Brook's opening of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. I know. I was in that traffic.

With new birth, comes hope for the future. A future filled with a sense of wonder, innocence and love. So different than the headlines of late.

In DKG, Theta Lambda is looking toward a new biennium soon with the upcoming election of our new board of officers at our March meeting. We are also getting ready to celebrate our chapter's 50th birthday in April. Such a milestone for our chapter. In May, our Founders' Day program always brings a sense of renewal and connection.

Come join us for Theta Lambda's March meeting!

Where: The home of Jayati Sengupta

When: Monday, March 19, 2017
5:30 Refreshments
6:00 Business Meeting

Hostesses: Jayati Sengupta and Staci Frenchwood

Inspiration: Catherine Hague

Music: Teri Marrow

Program: Making a Difference in Africa

Sr. Jane Meyer

I look forward to seeing all of you at our meeting on March 19, (since Lane prevented me from attending our February meeting!) At that time we will welcome our Area 18 representative, Sue Bathe, as well as hear an update from Sister Jane about our Africa project. Be sure to bring your contributions for this very worthy mission as we help to support a future for these deserving school children.

Carol Tenbrook, President

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TREASURER’S REPORT

March, 2018

Checking balance reported in September \$ 1,063.04

Receipts + \$ 0.04

October Dividend \$ 0.04

Disbursements - \$ 158.00

Contributions to State Funds \$88.00

Contributions to International Funds 55.00

US Fund for UNICEF (Schools in Africa) 15.00

Current checking account balance \$ 905.08

Current savings balance \$ 856.80

Current CD balance \$ 1,584.10

Total assets of chapter \$ 3,345.98

Important Notice—Meeting Dates

Please update your calendar’s to reflect the following meeting dates for 2017-2018

- **2017 Convention – Houston – June 22-25 – Westin Galleria**
- **2018 International Convention – July 16-20 - JW Marriott in Austin near International headquarters**

Reminder

We will be voting on our new slate of officers at the March meeting. Make sure you are there!

President:	Stacy Frenchwood
1 st Vice President:	Teri Marrow
2 nd Vice President:	Sally Kubiak
Secretary:	Michelle Croft

Thanks for all you do!

Minutes

Minutes for the February, 2018 Theta Lambda regular meeting submitted by Sally Kubiak, Secretary .

On Monday, February 12, 2018, eleven members of Theta Lambda gathered at the home of Teri Marrow for our monthly meeting. A delicious meal was served by Michelle Glick and Nancy Dobbs. The meeting was called to order by First Vice President Catherine Hague at 6:00.

Catherine gave a brief inspiration as she spoke about how the Olympics are an opportunity for people and countries all over the world to come together and set aside the problems we face for a brief time. Teri noted February is Random Acts of Kindness month. Sheri Walters presented the program component of our meeting. She gave a very interesting and enlightening presentation about Fort Bend Child Advocates with a focus on CASA. CASA volunteers serve as Guardian Ad Litem for children in foster care to insure medical, emotional, and educational needs are met. They work closely with CPS, lawyers, and the court. Sheri shared examples from her personal experience and stressed that teachers bring special skills as CASA volunteers because of the experience and knowledge of the educational system.

After the program, the business part of the meeting began. The minutes were posted in the newsletter and were approved as written. The Treasurer's Report was given by Sandra. There has been no new activity since December. Checking account stands at \$1,065.04, savings account is at \$856.80, and the CD is at \$1584.10.

Committee Reports:

-Nominations Committee: Nancy presented the proposed slate of officers for the next 2 years. The election will be held at the March meeting and the new board will be installed in May.

President: Stacy Frenchwood

1st Vice President: Teri Marrow

2nd Vice President: Sally Kubiak

Secretary: Michelle Croft

-Service Projects: Catherine reminded members that we will collect for the school in Africa at the April meeting.

- Social: Teri shared the plans for the 50th Birthday Celebration which will be on Saturday, April 14th at Serenitea from 2:00-4:00.

New Business:

-The State Convention will be in Waco from June 14-16. Stacy and Teri will be going as representatives for our chapter. Others are welcome to attend and information about the Convention and hotels is on the DKG website. --The January Board meeting was cancelled as there were no reports to complete for the state for this biennium and no other pressing business.

Announcements:

-Achievement Award will be presented at the April meeting.

-Our Area Representative, Sue Bathe, has been invited to attend our March meeting.

The next meeting will be on March 19, 2018 at Jayati Sengupta's home. Hostesses will be Jayati Sengupta and Stacy Frenchwood. The Inspiration will be provided by Catherine Hague and Teri Marrow will provide the music.

The program will be 'Making a Difference in Africa' presented by Sister Jane Meyer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15.

Written by Sally Kubiak