

Theta Lambda News

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This newsletter, as well as other important Delta Kappa Gamma information can be found at our website:
<http://thetalambda.weebly.com/>

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President's Message

Spring has arrived!!!! It is a time where everything is blooming and beautiful. Our chapter is involved in making things beautiful for the young adults of Park Youths Ranch. Thank you Sally for spearheading this wonderful initiative. Please keep collecting and pray that we receive the grant to further assist Park Youths Ranch. It brings warmth to my heart to know the impact we continue to make on so many lives across the Houston area. This impact will go further and last longer than we can ever imagine. The heart of our chapter is what keeps us together and is what makes our chapter so very special.

Sincerely,

Stacy

The latest edition of the Lone Star News is now online!

Come join us for Theta Lambda's Birthday Celebration!

Place: Corelli's Italian Cafe
3229 Hwy 6 @ Williams Trace
Sugar Land, Tx 77478

When: Monday, April 15, 2019
5:30 p.m.

Inspiration: Catherine Hague



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

TREASURER’S REPORT

April 2019

Checking balance reported in March		\$ 968.39
<u>Receipts</u>		\$ 314.05
March Bank Dividend	.05	
Raffle	24.00	
Birthday Dinner	40.00	
Sister Jane Donation	100.00	
2019-2020 Dues	150.00	
<u>Disbursements</u>		- \$.00
Current checking account balance		\$1282.44
Current savings balance		\$ 758.10
Current CD balance		\$1,598.14
Total assets of chapter		\$ 3,638.68



TREASURER’S NOTE:

As has been reported earlier, due to an amendment to the DKG Constitution at the International convention last July, our State and International dues are now to be paid no later than June 30th rather than October 31st as in the past in order to align dues collection with our fiscal year which begins on July 1st. Therefore, I am now collecting dues for the 2019-2020 year. **Please pay your active or reserve dues no later than our May meeting date so I will have all money collected before the end of the school year and will not have to contact you once summer vacation months begin.**

Dues remain the same – \$75 for Active members and \$28 for Reserve members. Checks should be made payable to Theta Lambda Chapter – DKG.

Also, the cost of our April birthday dinner is \$20. If you are attending, you may pay the chapter for your dinner that evening by cash or check. Writing one check for dues and dinner together is fine with me, or if you prefer, you can pay them separately – so long as you pay for the dinner in April and dues no later than the May meeting.

Thank you, Ladies. -Sandra

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Meeting Agenda

March 18, 2019

Agenda Details:

Inspiration – Thank You Sally Kubiak

Attendance and Cards for Absent Members

Approve and accept minutes from last meeting

Michele will send out minutes and we will approve February and March minutes in April.

Chapter Goals

Every member ~Every Meeting

Theta Lambda membership will increase by at least 2 members by April 14, 2019.

Theta Lambda Projects for 2018-2019

Change for Africa leaving June 7th. Thank you in advance for your donations. 10 girls will be going.

Parks Youth Ranch - Books were also bought. Please bring the items and then we will stuff backpacks in May.

Check the link for Sign Up genius to see what has been bought.

Silverado - fleece blankets in February to share our love.

Old Business

April Birthday meeting - menu and dessert

We will be going to Corelli's. It will be \$20 and will include tax and tip. April 15th

Michele and Michelle will bring a cake and paper goods.

DKG dues update – Sandra McConnell – We need to collect dues now for the year. They are due April and May. Dues continue to remain \$75.

New Business

Presentation of Alisha Procter for membership

Alisha is the Program Director for the Literacy Council of Fort Bend.

She has been a professional educator for 16 years.

Former Girl Scout Troop Leader

Family Life Center parent volunteer

Library volunteer and Volunteer tutor

The vote was unanimous to accept Alisha for membership. Induction will probably be in May.

Robin is the membership chair.

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Who has pictures -

Who is willing to assemble the slide show for our chapter? Sister Jane will do this and if she needs assistance will reach out.

Theta Lambda email – We will try it as a pilot.

Announcements

Lone Star News now online at dkgtexas.org Convention application and schedule is included.

Nu Epsilon will be chartered in Austin on March 30, 2019.

Dr. Grace Harrington, former member passed away and will be remembered at the convention.

Ronnie Jo Frazier from Humble is new GHACC President after Heidi Sebren stepped down.

Music Thank you Catherine for singing and having us guess the song.

The song was I Will by the Beatles.

Adjourn at 7:15

Respectfully submitted by Michele Croft

Program

“Let’s write an ASTEF Grant”

Alpha State educational Foundation. They have various types of grants.

Funding starts July 1st.

Some examples of previous grants:

New Teacher care packages

Books for schools

Possible ideas:

Park Ranch is an idea.

Mentoring

Afterschool meeting and possible dinner

Think about things that the chapter could do.

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Meeting Agenda

February 18, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:40

Inspiration

Attendance and Cards for Absent Members

Thank you Sally for bringing Alicia Proctor

Approve and accept minutes from last meeting

Sister Jane made the motion to accept the minutes; Robin seconded the motion—all approved.

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Congratulations

Carol Tenbrook – National Science Foundation Award Nominee

Teri Marrow – Texas School Counselor Award Winner

Theta Lambda Projects for 2018-2019

Change for Africa;

Parks Youth Ranch – setting up a signup genius to help organize supplies needed

Silverado – we will make blankets at another time.

Alfa State - \$25 gift card donation – silent auction at convention

Committee Reports

Sally will be sending out information about how to write to our legislatures and get our point of view out.

This is a critical time with national average for teacher salaries.

Calendar

Dates – change for March Meeting (Miriam's house 3114 Country Club in Sugar Creek) – Stacy and Teri absent. Sally will facilitate and do the Inspiration.

June 20-22nd TSO Convention in Arlington, TX

Deadlines to Remember:

February 1st – Scholarship Application

ASTE F has trips that go various places around the world. Please look at and think about going on a **trip**.

Music

The Delta Kappa Gamma Song

Adjourned our meeting 7:16

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Meeting people where you are is what hospice is about. He enjoyed the elderly and began to work with a continuum of care facility. Provides all types of care skilled, memory, assisted and independent.

For the first year of his job, he worked with the needs of the future residents. He helped with intake and determining the proper placement.

He helps with discharge and the needs or finding the appropriate options with supports, financial restraints.

The sandwich generation, which is where, kids are out of the house and parents need care.

People move into independent living and think that the community will move the residents as needed. Often time's people who have cognitive issues mask it well with family but not outsiders. When you take people out of their environment, there may be a significant change.

It is up to the family not the facility to when to move and what is best.

Sometimes when there is a plateau, if you put them back home with supports it can help. Sometimes there is resistance and staff members try to build relationships and rapport.

Ratio 1:5 to 1:10 staff in assisted living staff members.

Independent living is independent living (usually have food and housekeeping options) At Parkway Place they

have a doctor that comes in once per week. They have a wellness person too. You can have an outside caregiver come in. This would be with a preferred provider.

Assisted living still promotes independent living however, the supports are included. There is a call light for help. At Parkway, there are three different levels. The first level is checking on every two to three hours and making sure that you ate. Level 2 helps with bathing and there is someone there more often. Level three you need someone there and can do very little by yourself. When you need two people or a lift then you go to skilled nursing or nursing home. There is a 24-hour nurse on the floor. You can be cared for 100%. At this level there is a license.

Memory care is focus on cognitive routines.

Independent is about \$3800 at Parkway Place

Assisted about \$5000 at Parkway Place

It helps to have long term insurance.

Medicare.gov is a valuable resource. You can look up their ratings and citations.

Tour the community to get a feeling. Feel free to tour a few times at various times of the day as well. Ask to see an activity calendar and make an appointment to go to an activity.

The Gift of Years: The Gift of Growing Older by Joan Chittister

A book of essays to help understand a positive perspective on aging.

Here is another book that could be a resource, How to Care for Aging Parents by Virginia Morris

The Caregiver support group meets every 3rd Thursday at the same time same place. If anyone is interested Ellis would be happy to add them to the reminder distribution list.

Items to Donate ~ Parks Youth Ranch

Backpacks – 30”x20”
Journals, small note pads
Mechanical Pencils
Sketch Books
Soap dispensers
Shampoo
Conditioner
Deodorant
Cologne
Hand Cream/Moisturizer
Socks
Shower Slippers or Flip flops
String Backpacks
Ear Buds (purchased already)
Eye makeup palettes
Clutch wallet /smart phone purses
Luggage tags (need 6 for boys as girls have been purchased)

Let's fill those backpacks!
Check the Signup Genius for Specific Needs

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4eabad2fa5fe3-parks>

EXEMPLARY AWARD

FOR CHAPTER YEARBOOK

This certificate is awarded to

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