

Theta Lambda News

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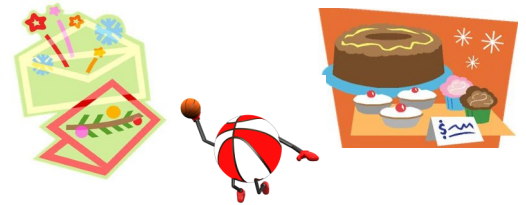
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December meeting!

Where: Home of Lillie Beth Wilson
When: Monday, Dec. 17, 2012
5:30 p.m.
Hostesses:
Jan Randolph,
Nancy Dobbs
Inspiration:
Stacy Frenchwood
Program:
Holiday Celebration/
D\$K\$G\$ Show me
the \$\$ Silent Auction

President's Message

Silent Auction!



Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love.

Dear Theta Lambda Sisters,

Mark your calendar with a **big red circle**: I can't wait for **Monday, December 17th**! I am saving my **money** to purchase some items at our upcoming silent auction! I know with the talented women in our chapter, there will be fabulous things to **buy** either for you or to give as gifts! We have multi-talented women offering baked goods, holiday decorations, cards, **Rocket tickets**, and other fabulous items! Personally, this elf has been busy creating several items to bring. You will love it!

Stacy Frenchwood and her Theta Lambda elves are busy getting ready for us at the festive home of **Lillie Beth Wilson**. We will enjoy holiday music and wonderful food surrounded by our friends! This is a great time to bring a guest or two! They will certainly enjoy this social event!

On **Saturday, January 26, 2013**, you are invited to my home for some scrapbooking fun! Yes, we will update our own Theta Lambda scrapbook, but we have so much fun sharing stories, too. **Sandra MacConnell** remembers everything that happened, so her expertise is always valuable! Jodi Knuppel's presidential term will be completed in words, pictures, and captions! Come join in on the fun!

I look forward to seeing everyone there in just a few short weeks. This is a social event...pure joy and fun! If you know of a reserve member who might like to come, please call them and bring them to this special meeting. **Please bring three things: your craft for the auction, your money to purchase, and a guest!**

Blessing,

Laura Downes

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

Meeting Highlights

Theta Lambda Chapter

Delta Kappa Gamma

November 12, 2012

Laura Downes, Theta Lambda president, called the meeting to order at 6:24 p.m. Members and guest, Renee Canales, enjoyed gathering in the beautifully decorated home of Miriam Watson. Catherine Hague and Stacy Frenchwood were co-hostesses. Lillie Beth Wilson presented the energizer activity.

Minutes from the October 15th meeting were printed in the newsletter. They were approved as written with a motion by Carol TenBrook and seconded by Carol Ann Shipp. Attendance was taken by Lillie Beth Wilson, recording secretary. Stacy Frenchwood, second vice president, provided "thinking of you" cards to be mailed to members unable to attend the meeting.

Sandra MacConnell gave the treasurer's report.

Under old business, Stacy Frenchwood shared information about the December 17th meeting in the home of Lillie Beth Wilson. There will be a silent auction of homemade items which can be kept or given as gifts, and Tom Wilson and Martha Jorgenson will play Christmas carols and holiday songs.

The program for the meeting was assembling supplies for the backpack program for Open Gate's backpack initiative. The supplies will be delivered to the Open Gate director. Members collected many personal hygiene items that will benefit the participants in the program.

Stacy Frenchwood, chair of the legislative committee, discussed the McKinney-Vento Act. The purpose of the act is to advocate for homeless children.

The April birthday program was discussed. After discussions of where to have the meeting, members decided to have the meeting at Paint with a Twist.

Carol TenBrook discussed her responsibilities as the newsletter and web-site chairperson. Nancy Dobbs volunteered to be the photographer and editor. She will also help with the E-vite invitation process.

The meeting closed at 7:45 p.m.

Lillie Beth Wilson

Laura Downes

Recording Secretary

President



December Birthdays

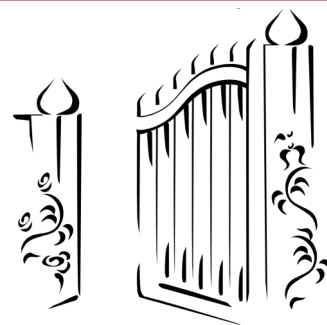
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There will be no business meeting in January. Instead, Laura Downes will be hosting a scrapbooking party at her home on Saturday, January 26. Please make plans to come help get our scrapbook up-to-date while having some good old fashioned fun!

Check out Theta Lambda's website at <http://thetalambda.weebly.com/> for more information.

Theta Lambda Project 2012-2013

Theta Lambda's service project for the 2012-13 year is **Open Gate**.



Open Gate was established on Sunday, March 4, 2007 by Rev. Andy Noel at Bering Memorial United Methodist Church. The focus is on 18-24 year old homeless young adults who need a safe and welcoming place. The commitment from these youths to join is an agreement of no weapons, no drugs, no alcohol and no violence either in speech or actions.

Service Project Update:

On Sunday, November 18, 2012, **Catherine Hague** and I met at Bering Methodist Church with our sleighs and hearts filled to the brim with our collection from our November meeting. Please ask Catherine about parallel parking her large vehicle...she surprised even herself! We were greeted with such smiles of warmth and they were totally overwhelmed with our donations! Two young gentlemen met us in the parking lot with large flatbeds which were each loaded more than twice! I felt like we were totally engaged in "the conspiracy of love!" Leaving there, I enticed Catherine to a dinner at Chuy's where she had never been before! It was such a treat to sit outside chatting together and making some Theta Lambda plans!

Laura Downes, President



Left: **Robin DeLaRosa** helps seal up bags assembled at our November meeting for the Open Gate program at Bering Memorial United Methodist Church.

Right: President **Laura Downes** smiles at the generosity of members who filled 75 bags of items to be put in backpacks for homeless young adults.



Newsletter questions or suggestions? Contact: Carol TenBrook at ctenbrook@pwarch.com

TREASURER'S REPORT**December, 2012**

Balance reported in November		\$ 1376.60
<u>Receipts</u>		+ \$ 123.34
Dues Collected	\$ 103.00	
Fund Raiser	20.00	
Nov. Dividend	.34	
<u>Disbursements</u>		- \$ 100.00
Open Gate Project (blankets)	\$ 100.00	
Current checking account balance		\$ 1399.94
<u>Savings</u>		
Current savings account balance		\$ 1046.09
Current 6-month term certificate balance		\$ 1548. 63
(Maturity Date 1/13/13)		
Total assets of chapter		\$ 3994.66