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President's Message

Greetings Sisters,

When March arrives we look forward to the March winds. They range from whipping winds that blow your dress up and rearrange your hairdo to a cool breeze that gently sways the trees. Such is life – some times are turbulent and other times peaceful.

After hearing Sister Jane's presentation about the orphanage in Kenya, I felt a refreshing peace that these children were experiencing a better life because of the work and donations of concerned groups. Just to know that the change we collected provided the students with socks and calculators, was like a breath of fresh air. To enhance our collection, let's add some \$1 bills to the containers!

Our Purseonality Project is another way we have helped calm the turbulent times by giving homeless women some personal items of their own. Assembly went really well and we even had some things left over. Ask your friends, relatives, neighbors, and peers for gently used purses and continue to collect items to fill them. Later on, we will have another purse assembly.



Photo: Carol TenBrook

Come join us for

Theta Lambda's March meeting!

Where:	Highlands Elementary School 2022 Colonist Park, Sugar Land
When:	Monday, March 16, 2015 5:30 Refreshments 6:00 Business meeting
Hostesses:	Robin DeLaRosa Sandra MacConnell
Inspiration:	Carol TenBrook
Program	True Colors— Stacy Frenchwood

Like a gust of wind, ladies from all over Texas will be gathering in San Antonio for the 86th Texas State Convention this summer from June 25-27. Are you considering attending? Laura and I recommend it!

I will catch the wind and head for Hilton Head, Savannah, and Charleston for 2 weeks in March, so I will miss our March meeting. Stacy Frenchwood will lead the meeting and present the program, True Colors.

Enjoy what March brings,

Nancy Dobbs

President

Theta Lambda



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

Meeting Highlights

Minutes for the February 9, 2015 Theta Lambda regular meeting

Submitted by Michelle Glick, secretary



On Monday February 9, 2015, members and guests of Theta Lambda gathered in the home of Sister Jane Meyer for our monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by President Nancy Dobbs after a wonderful meal provided by Catherine Hague and Nancy Dobbs. Members were asked to help stuff purses with toiletries and cosmetics for our donations to the Purseonality project. We decided that we will continue to provide donations and fill purses throughout the year.

Nancy thanked her fellow hostesses and offered an inspiration asking us to reflect on our dreams for what the future will look like and what we can do to help make that happen. Nancy then asked each member to share something new about themselves for the new year.

Sister Jane and Sister Mary presented a video and discussion of their trip to Africa over the summer. They shared many stories about the orphanage and children they visit every year. They also showed us how much has been accomplished since their Living Water initiative was started. The monies donated by Theta Lambda purchased socks and calculators for the OLG Project.

Old Business

Nancy reminded members that we are still collecting donations for Africa, Ronald McDonald House and Purseonality. An announcement regarding the CTAUN Conference on April 11 was made.

Sandra MacConnell passed out the Treasurer's Report for February 2015. Total assets of the chapter are \$4,176.92.

The state deadline for scholarships is March 1, 2015 for anyone interested in applying.

Nancy reported that she has submitted the President's Report for the chapter.

Michelle Glick read a note to the chapter from Nancy Newton.

The chapter was asked to vote to approve the Nu Alpha Chapter admittance to Area 7. Sandra made the motion for approval and Laura Downes seconded it.

Nancy encouraged us to attend the State conference on June 25-27. She thinks that the chapter should be able to send 4 members.

The next regular meeting will be held on March 16, 2015 at Highlands Elementary. The meeting, True Colors, will be hosted by Stacy Frenchwood.

With there being no further business to discuss, Nancy Dobbs adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Written by Michelle Glick



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TREASURER'S REPORT

March, 2015

Checking balance reported in February \$1563.39

Receipts + \$ 223.54

Fund Raiser (That's My Pan) 223.25
 Bank Dividend (Feb.) .29

Disbursements - \$ 186.73

Early Educator Gifts 11.73
 Contributions to State Funds 85.00
 Contributions to International Funds 90.00

Current checking account balance\$1600.20

Current Savings Balance\$1050.89

Current CD Balance\$1562.64

Total assets of chapter\$4213.73

What did you do on your Spring Break? Please send a photo of yourself (for next month's newsletter), showing how you spent your week off. Selfies accepted! Email .jpg to cltenbrook@gmail.com by **March 31**.



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During this Spring Break:

- ♣ Enjoy being outside
- ♣ Read a good book
- ♣ Take a walk
- ♣ Visit a museum
- ♣ Spend time with friends
- ♣ Take a trip to somewhere new
- ♣ Live in the moment—unplug electronics
- ♣ Sit back and relax so you come back rested!

Important Information

Dear Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters,

How often have you had the opportunity to visit an international university, meet students from other cultures, hear speakers from several different backgrounds and ethnicities discuss global concerns, and be fed breakfast and lunch, as well? The opportunity is here, and you are being welcomed and encouraged to attend! You may also bring students, friends or potential DKG members.

The 2015 CTAUN Conference is being held in Houston on April 11, at the North American University. CTAUN (Committee on Teaching About the United Nations) was founded in 1999 to provide educators worldwide with opportunities to learn about the work of the United Nations and incorporate global awareness into curricula and school activities at all levels.

The conference starts at 9:00 AM with a continental breakfast, then proceeds with a keynote speaker, panel discussions, Fiesta International lunch, an international students' cultural fair, and breakout sessions. The day concludes at 3:15 PM with closing remarks.

Speakers for the day will be discussing topics which range from excellence and equity in education to human trafficking; education outside of Texas to immigration; cultural differences to a corporate perspective to working with different cultures; and explanations of different cultural organizations and foundations.

This is an amazing opportunity for your members who teach Social Studies courses or who just love international information. A brochure which includes all pertinent information is available to anyone who is interested in attending. The brochure and registration forms can be found on the www.dkgtexas.org site. The registration fee for adults is \$50.00 which includes all of the above mentioned activities. There is a \$25.00 fee for any students who would be interested in attending and this also includes all of the activities. I am also attaching the brochure, which can be opened in Publisher.

Please share this information with your chapter members and encourage them to take advantage of this unique opportunity. If you have any questions, please respond to this email.

Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

Regards,

Alannah Mozisek

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SAVE THE DATE



CTAUN CONFERENCE

Saturday, April 11, 2015

North American University

3203 N Sam Houston Pkwy W

Houston, Texas 77038

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