

# Theta Lambda News

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### Come join us for

#### Theta Lambda's November meeting!

**Where:** Home of Carol TenBrook

**When:** Monday, November 16, 2015  
5:30 Refreshments  
6:00 Business Meeting

**Hostesses:** Laura Downes  
Nancy Dobbs

**Inspiration:** Sally Kubiak

**Music:** Jan Randolph

**Program** Silent Auction

**\*\*Bring coats and blankets for Open Gate\*\***

## President's Message

As Thanksgiving approaches, we all stop to consider how we have been blessed. Our hearts sing with thanksgiving and praise for what has been provided unto us.

Our new state president, Marilyn Gregory's biennium goals exemplify **HEART** as does Theta Lambda's. These are some things that came to mind, when I considered **HEART**.

**H**health: to encourage members to practice healthy lifestyles which promote healthier chapters. *After complaining about my runny nose and sneezing due to allergies, a friend shared that she has had an unrelenting migraine headache for over a year. All of a sudden, I was happy to have only these annoying symptoms which began to seem very insignificant.*

**E**ducation: to educate members about the importance of membership and encourage them to make an impact on their communities and the world. *Since I have been blessed with never having to do without what I need and most often also having what I want, I am awed by the fortitude of the homeless men and women, the Kenya orphans and the hurting families supported by Ronald McDonald House.*

**A**chievement: to achieve our goals as leaders in our chapters and recognize our accomplishments as key women educators. *Knowing that being a teacher and mentor is so very powerful in the big picture of life as we "pass it forward" to the next generation, I wonder what more should I be doing.*

**R**eflection: to reflect on our heritage as we advance the Society. *As I think about the attitude of our members as they go through their daily activities and support their family members, there is a compassion and empathy towards others that astounds me, and this will be the legacy they leave behind.*

**T**eamwork: to work as members of a team to strengthen involvement in all levels of the Society. *Oh, what Theta Lambda has accomplished because we work together to meet the goals of our chapter, remembering there is no "I" in team. I am anxiously looking forward to what lies ahead for us.*

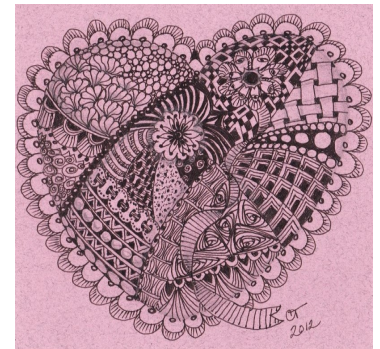
As you consider **HEART**, what comes to mind?

Bless you all,

Nancy Dobbs

President

Theta Lambda



Artwork in this issue by Carol TenBrook

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

## Minutes for the October 19, 2015 Theta Lambda regular meeting Submitted by **Michelle Glick**, secretary

On Monday October 19, 2015, members and guests of Theta Lambda gathered in the home of **Sandra MacConnell** for our monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by President **Nancy Dobbs** after a lovely meal provided by **Jodi Knuppel** and **Mary Herlitz**. Nancy thanked our hostesses and asked us to celebrate ourselves as sisters. She then welcomed our guests Michele Croft, guest of **Laura Downes** and Risa McCann, our Area 18 Coordinator. Risa thanked our group for our hospitality and reminded us that we are all one of Marilyn Gregory's Heartbeats. Marilyn's theme is HEART - Health, Education, Achievement, Reflection, and Teamwork. **Stacy Frenchwood** provided the inspiration, reminding us to take care of ourselves with positive affirmations.

**Laura Downes** shared memories of why she became a member of DKG for our ReMember segment and **Jan Randolph** announced that we would have a membership contest. She divided us into teams and we spent a few minutes brainstorming ideas for increasing membership.

At this point, we broke from the business meeting in order to enjoy storytelling with **Miriam Watson**.

### New Business

**Robin DeLaRosa** passed around a calendar and asked that we fill in the empty spaces and reminded us that we have a music component that needs to be filled in as well. Laura announced that Crystal Allen will be attending our October 2016 meeting and that she has invited us to her book launch at Blue Willow on Jan 30, 2016.

November 16 will be our silent auction fundraiser. Stacie shared the bid and payment sheets with us. Please remember to bring your items and your checkbooks!

The GHACC Meet and Greet for the new State President is October 23 and the meeting is on October 24. **Sandra MacConnell**, **Sally Kubiak** and **Nancy Dobbs** will be attending. The Chapter is donating \$30 towards dessert at the event.

### Old Business

The Chapter will continue offering gifts to new teacher and collecting change for Africa and **Sister Jane's** Kenya Project. Purses and personal items collected for *Pursonality* should be brought to our March meeting. We are also collecting pull tabs from soda cans to help the Houston Ronald McDonald house. We also can still order from *That's My Pan*. Lastly, please bring any coats or blankets to donate to Open Gate to the November meeting.

We tried the "I Have..., Who Has...?" game using the DKG song. It was much more successful now that we know what we are doing.

The next regular meeting will be held on November 16, 2015 at the home of **Carol TenBrook**.

With there being no further business to discuss, **Nancy Dobbs** adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Written by **Michelle Glick**



Check out the Fall Lone Star News! Go to <http://www.dkgtexas.org/>

**Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide**

## Theta Lambda's Silent Auction—November 16, 2015



Rainy days and cool evenings remind us that Christmas is fast approaching.

**Theta Lambda** is prepared to provide you with a fun and exciting shopping experience. It is time for our **biggest fund raiser of the year**, our DKG Silent Auction.



You won't want to miss this fun and festive event that incorporates one of a kind handmade gifts, delectable treats, and creative crafts. We encourage everyone to participate as we raise funds for our chapter programs, scholarships, and charities. Bring your friends and let's make this auction our biggest and best! See you November 16<sup>th</sup>!

*Pictures from 2014 auction*



### Auction Ideas:

- Story Time with a class
- Arts/Crafts lesson with a class
- Teach lesson about area of expertise to a class
- Notecards, photographs per purchaser request
- Gift wrapping service
- Meals on request
- Plants, flower arrangements
- Homemade goodies
- Teach a special talent—decorating, candy making, bow making, etc.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

November, 2015

Checking balance reported in September .....	\$1614.95
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>+ \$200.00</b>
Dues	178.00
Raffle	20.00
Educ. Gift Donations	2.00
<b>Disbursements</b>	<b>- \$1294.00</b>
State/International Dues	1294.00
<b>Current checking account balance .....</b>	<b>\$ 520.95</b>
<b>Current Savings Balance .....</b>	<b>\$1052.84</b>
<b>Current CD Balance .....</b>	<b>\$1567.63</b>
<b>Total assets of chapter .....</b>	<b>\$3141.42</b>

Delta Kappa Gamma ~Theta Lambda Chapter Meetings

DATE	LOCATION	HOSTESSES	MUSIC	INSPIRATION	PROGRAM
September 21, 2015	Nancy Dobbs	Jan Randolph Stacy Frenchwood	Sandra MacConnell	Catherine Hague	Picture This- Laura Downes
October 19, 2015	Sandra MacConnell	Jodi Knuppel, Mary Herlitz	Sandra MacConnell	Stacy Frenchwood	Storytelling- Miriam Watson
November 16, 2015	Carol TenBrook	Laura Downes Nancy Dobbs	Jan Randolph	Sally Kubiak	Silent Auction- Bring in Coats
December 14, 2015	Miriam Watson	Lillie Beth Wilson, Sandra MacConnell Mary Herlitz	Miriam Watson	Teri Marrow	Holiday Special Christmas Party
February 8, 2016	Stacy Frenchwood	Jayuti Sengupta, Stacy Frenchwood	Robin De La Rosa	Catherine Hague	ReMember Membership Program Carolyn Mashburn
March 7, 2016	Highlands Elementary	Teri Marrow Sister Jane Meyer	Laura Downes	Jan Randolph	More Living Well Sister Jane Meyer
April 18, 2016	TBA-Corelli's Restaurant	Nancy Dobbs Sally Kubiak	Robin De La Rosa	Laura Downes	Purseonality Project Theta Lambda's 48 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration
May 16, 2016	Jayuti Sengupta	Lillie Beth Wilson Jan Randolph	Sister Jane Meyer	Stacy Frenchwood	Founder's Day Jeopardy
September 19, 2016	Lillie Beth Wilson	Carol Ann Shipp Sally Kubiak	Lillie Beth Wilson	Robin De La Rosa	Organizational, Meet, Greet, Eat
October 17, 2016	Catherine Hague	Laura Downes Michelle Glick	Miriam Watson	Sally Kubiak	Crystal Allen Local Author Returns!