



FOR KEY WOMEN
EDUCATORS

Beta Lambda Newsletter

January 2019

In Loving Memory – Frances Lucille Piro Fansler



October 2, 1919 ~ December 1, 2018

<http://m.donnellwiegand.com/obituaries/events?obituaryId=3862796>

Message from the President

Greetings Beta Lambda Sisters,

Happy New Year 2019!! I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's!

But the holidays were surely difficult for two of our Beta Lambda sisters who lost their mothers in December. Our own reserve member Frances Fansler, mother of Beverly Sublette, and member of Delta Kappa Gamma for more than 50 years, passed away on December 1, ten months short of her 100th birthday. Her funeral was in Illinois. We will miss Mrs. Frances's beautiful smile and lively conversation. Beverly Lavender's mother, Elizabeth Davis, passed away December 26. Sandra Joganic and I attended Mrs. Davis's service to give support to Beverly L. If you have email, I previously sent you both funeral arrangements. Please continue to keep these two Beta Lambda sisters in your prayers.

Our Saturday, January 12, meeting at Brookdale Place is at a different time and in a different location from where we have met in past years because the kitchen and dining areas are being renovated. We are hosting members of the Gamma Kappa chapter for a program on students currently majoring in education.

TIME: We will meet at NOON, not at 11 a.m. The room was not available until noon.

LOCATION: We will meet in the multi-purpose room at the Brookdale Health Care Center (Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing). There is a picture of the building on the next page. As you come into the Brookdale compound, the Health Care Center is the one-story building on the left. Go through the entrance gate, make the first left turn, and park. Please do not park in the numbered spots in the covered parking. You may park in the "circle" in front of the main entrance if spaces are available. If not, there is plenty of other parking that is close to the building. (The left turn *before* the gate is for deliveries. Be sure to go *through* the gate and then turn left. If you pass the Health Care Center and go to the main, multi-story building, you have gone too far.) Use the main entrance to the building (which is shown in the picture) and go to the left. The multi-purpose room is across from the dining room.

We do not have a chapter meeting in February so all members may attend the State Convention in Huntsville from February 22-24. If you would like to ride or room with me, please let me know at the January meeting. Hope to see you on the 12th!

In Your Service,

Brenda Johnson
Beta Lambda Chapter President



January Meeting – Joint Meeting with Gamma Kappa Chapter

Date and Time: Saturday, January 12, at noon
Location: Brookdale Place, 400 University Park Dr., Birmingham 35209
 (205) 870-0786 (in the Health Care Center multi-purpose room)
Lunch: Brookdale will provide our catered lunch. It has been suggested each member donate \$10 to the Brookdale activity fund.
Hostesses: Beverly Jackson and Beverly Sublette
Inspirational Art/Music Thought and Blessing: Betsy Precise
Program: Mentoring and Advising College Students Majoring in Education
 Dr. Elizabeth Thrower, College of Education/University of Montevallo



Yearbooks

Printed yearbooks were distributed at the November meeting for those who requested one. If you received a printed yearbook, please give \$5 to Treasurer Beverly Lavender. If you were not at the November meeting and requested a printed yearbook, you may get it at the January meeting or contact President Brenda.



Beta Lambda Member

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Beverly Lavender's mother, Ada Elizabeth Vaughn Davis, passed away on December 26. From Beverly: "...thank you Beta Lambda sisters for sharing so much love with me in the loss of my Mother, Elizabeth V. Davis, the day after Christmas. Thank you for your prayers, your presence and all the beautiful sympathy cards. The evening after her funeral, I received 7 cards all at one time from you, my Beta Lambda Sisters. I feel your warm, comforting prayers every time I think of you."

Mary Gragg fell out of her bed and was in the hospital for over a week. She has been in rehab and should be back in her apartment now. According to Sue Garrick, Mary feels good and is in good spirits! Continue to get better every day, Mary! We look forward to seeing you as soon as you feel able to join us.



Pat Long will leave for Dallas the day after our Saturday meeting to visit with grand baby and brother. She didn't get to see her son and his family during the holidays.

Corresponding Secretary's Reminder

I need your help. Please notify me of any births, marriages, awards, illnesses, surgeries, deaths, etc., so that caring cards or notes will be sent.

Martha McSwain, mcswain205@att.net, 879-3006

World Fellowship Auction Results – November 2018 Help DKG Members After Hurricanes

Thanks to all our members and friends who participated in our annual World Fellowship Auction in November. Congratulations to each of you for raising \$725.50 for Beta Lambda projects and donations. On top of that accomplishment, you donated \$130.00 for victims of Hurricane Florence and Hurricane Michael. I sent a check for \$80.00 to the Florida DKG Emergency Fund. We have already received an acknowledgement from Florida. A check for \$50.00 was sent to North Carolina to assist in replacing school supplies for DKG member classrooms. You also paid for 5 yearbooks. \$880.50 was deposited into our Beta Lambda account. We also purchased one of Billie Sue Hulsey's mini-quilts to take to the Beta State Convention in February for a door prize.

Beverly Lavender - Beta Lambda Treasurer



World Fellowship auction items

January and February Birthdays

January

26 – Jann Gentle
28 – Sandra Joganic



February

5 – Lora Hammond
10 – Billie Sue Hulsey
10 – Caroline Yearty
12 – Maria Brandt

Alabama (Beta) State Convention – February 2019

The Alabama State Organization Convention will be in Huntsville from February 22-24, 2019. Registration is \$75 if postmarked on or before February 1. The daily room rate of \$129 + tax (for 1-4 people) is available through January 21. Want to carpool? Want to be roommates? Our

chapter has been asked to bring at least one WRAPPED door prize valued no more than \$20 to Convention.

Treasurer's Reports

November 30, 2018

Beta Lambda Checking

10-31-18	Balance	\$4,582.36
11-2-18	Deposit (2 Active)	\$ 130.00
11-28-18	2018-2019 Membership Dues/Scholarship (19 Active; 3 Reserve)	(\$1,121.40)
11-29-18	Deposit	\$ 880.50
	Auction \$725.50	
	Yearbooks \$25 (5)	
	Hurricane Donations	
	\$80 – Hurricane Michael (FL)	
	\$50 – Hurricane Florence (NC)	
11-30-18	Dividend	\$.38
11-30-18	Balance	\$4,471.84

Beta Lambda Savings

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Beta Lambda CD

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December 31, 2018

Beta Lambda Checking

11-30-18	Balance	\$4,471.84
12-10-18	Yearbook Printing	(\$ 97.11)
12-27-18	Donations – Hurricane Florence	(\$ 50.00)
12-31-18	Donation – Hurricane Michael	(\$ 80.00)
12-31-18	Dividend	\$.37
12-31-18	Balance	\$4,245.10

Beta Lambda Savings

11-30-18	Balance	\$1,527.35
12-31-18	Dividend	\$.58
12-31-18	Balance	\$1,527.93

Beta Lambda CD

11-30-18	Balance	\$6,473.02
12-31-18	Dividend	\$ 8.16
12-31-18	Balance	\$6,481.18

Pictures of Newly-Installed Member

Pictures of our newest member Susan Holt will be taken at the January meeting. Susan will be presented her DKG International member certificate.

Pictures of Newly-Installed Officers



The Beta Lambda 2018-2019 Officers were installed in April 2018, but inclement weather did not allow time for pictures to be taken. This picture was taken at the November meeting. (L to R: Treasurer Beverly Lavender, First VP Madeline Buchanan, President Brenda Johnson, Recording Secretary Sue Garrick, Corresponding Secretary Martha McSwain, Second VP Jody Stewart)

REMINDER: New Deadline for Dues Beginning 2019-2020

Members have until June 30, 2019, to pay their 2019-2020 dues to their chapter treasurer. It is suggested that members pay their dues by their last chapter meeting of the year in 2019, which is April for Beta Lambda. Chapter treasurers should send the 2019-2020 dues to the Alabama State Treasurer by July 15, 2019.

Beta Lambda Reunion Meeting – March 2019

Who are your Beta Lambda mentors? If your mentors are still living but not currently members of our chapter, please bring their mailing addresses to the January meeting. If you do not have current mailing addresses, bring phone numbers or email addresses. Do you have contact information for previous Beta Lambda members who were not your mentors? Bring their addresses, too!

Jody Stewart, Chairperson
Membership Committee

Scholarships – February 1 Deadlines

The deadline for Alabama State Organization scholarships of \$700 and \$3,100 and International scholarships of \$6,000 and \$10,000 is February 1. Alabama State Organization has updated criteria for scholarships. Check the state website and the international website for details: <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/AL/scholarships.html> and <https://www.dkg.org>

Beta Lambda 2019 Calendar of Remaining Meetings

February 22-24, 2019 Alabama State Organization Convention, Embassy Suites, Huntsville

March 12, 2019 (**Tuesday, 4:30 pm**) – Hoover Library Shakespeare Room

Programs – Remembering the Holocaust

Rumpshaker Race for Colorectal Cancer Awareness

April 13, 2019 (Saturday) – Meeting hosted by Gamma Kappa chapter; location TBA

Program – Free2Teach

Minutes of November Meeting

DKG Beta Lambda Chapter Minutes
November 17, 2018—The Fish Market, Hoover, Alabama

Beta Lambda Chapter President Brenda Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and welcomed those in attendance. Three guests were introduced. Member Pat Long gave the inspirational thought/art and music moment and led us in our blessing. President Brenda Johnson conducted the roll call.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as published in the November newsletter. Corresponding Secretary Martha McSwain gave the correspondence report. Treasurer Beverly Lavender's report for October was published in the November newsletter. Sherri Savage was dropped from the chapter because she has moved and cannot be located. First Vice President Madeline Buchanan announced that the January program will be a speaker, Dr. Elizabeth Thrower, College of Education, University of Montevallo. She asked the members for topics they would like for the speaker to address. Second Vice President Jody Stewart distributed printed yearbooks.

Committee reports were presented next.

Membership Committee: Membership Chairperson Jody Stewart explained about recruiting former members. She requested that she receive former member's contact information by January so she can send them invitations to the March reunion meeting. She also explained about recruiting new members by distributing DKG promotional postcards to prospective members at local schools and to prospective collegiate members.

Communications Chairperson Madeline Buchanan passed around a form to sign to give permission for your picture and name to be published in the Alabama (Beta) State Organization News and on the Alabama (Beta) State Organization website during the 2017-2019 biennium. Also, she explained the smart phone Group Me app and announced that she is creating a new group for Beta Lambda. If you have a smartphone and receive an invitation to Beta Lambda from Group Me, please accept the invitation. You may also use Group Me through a website.

Other Business: Pictures of 2018-2020 Beta Lambda Officers were taken.

Unfinished Business: We will try again next month to take a picture of newly-inducted member Susan Holt.

Announcements:

- (1) Second Vice President Jody Stewart attended the Alabama Beta State WOW in Anniston. She reported on the many fun and interesting activities of the weekend.
- (2) The Alabama State Organization Convention is February 22-24, 2019, at the Embassy Suites in Huntsville.
- (3) If members have a change in their contact information, they should inform DKG International.
- (4) Member Pat Long suggested helping DKG members who were impacted by the recent hurricanes by adding a donation to their checks for the auction.
- (5) The next meeting is Saturday, January 12, 2019, at NOON at Brookdale. The topic will be Mentoring and Advising College Students Majoring in Education.
- (6) Applications for the Alabama State Achievement Award are on the Alabama State Organization website and should be sent to Dawn Pettit chairman by December 12.
- (7) Beginning with the 2019-2020 year, the chapter deadline for member dues is June 30. Members may pay dues at the last meeting in April but no later than June 30. Members who wish to pay dues in installments, please contact Treasurer Beverly Lavender.

President Brenda Johnson thanked Pat Long for providing the inspirational thought. She also thanked hostess Madeline Buchanan. (Brenda was also a hostess.)

The meeting was adjourned, and the World Fellowship Auction was held.

Sue Garrick, Recording Secretary

January Agenda – January 12, 2019 (Saturday) – Brookdale Place Health Care Center multipurpose room at noon

Call to order

Welcome

Inspirational Thought, Art and Music Moment, and Blessing – Betsy Precise

Business

- Roll Call
- Reading and Approval of Minutes (published in newsletter) – Sue Garrick
- Correspondence – Martha McSwain
- Treasurer's Report (published in newsletter) – Beverly Lavender
- First Vice President – March and April meetings – Madeline Buchanan
- Second Vice President – Yearbook – Jody Stewart
- Committee Reports
 - Membership (recruit with postcards; submit addresses for reunion meeting in March) – Jody Stewart
- Unfinished Business
 - Pictures of newly-inducted member Susan Holt being presented certificate of membership
 - Alabama State Convention at the Embassy Suites in Huntsville, February 22-24, 2019
 - Hotel reservation deadline January 21
 - Registration deadline February 1
 - Chapter should provide wrapped door prize valued no more than \$20: handcrafted mini-quilt by Billie Sue Hulsey
 - Frances Fansler, Convention Ceremony of Remembrance on Sunday, February 24. Submit Form 6.
- New Business
 - World Fellowship pen pal – Pat Long
 - Memorial for Frances Fansler

Inspirational Thought: Betsy Precise; Hostesses: Beverly Jackson and Beverly Sublette

Announcements

- Next meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. at Hoover Library Shakespeare Room, Programs: Remembering the Holocaust and Rumpshaker Race for Colorectal Cancer Awareness
- Dues for 2019-2020 are due to Alabama State by July 15, 2019; chapter dues are due to Treasurer Beverly Lavender by June 30, 2019.

Adjournment

Program: Mentoring and Advising College Students Majoring in Education



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