









Founders' Day 2014

President's Message

It doesn't seem possible but only 3 more weeks of school. Then you get to take a deep breath and start getting ready for the next year. It doesn't seem like there is as much break as there was when I started teaching. So much professional development is required and needed to keep up with the fast paced changes in education.

Last month it felt like we had not been together in ages. I enjoyed seeing everyone that was able to attend. You missed a good program by Mr. Boles. He gave us updates from the state and his vision for the school system.

We will be meeting on May 12, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church. I hope you have let Hostess group #2 know if you will be attending or not. Sharon Fisher is presenting the Inspiration and Cynthia Hudson is in charge of the music.

It was decided at our last meeting that our silent auction item for Xi State would be a basket of gift cards of at least a 5.00 value. If some of you wish to go in together and get a card that would be great and you are welcome to bring a card of more value. You may want to bring it to the next meeting or you can leave it at the office.

There is going to be new iris notepads available at Xi state. If anyone would like for the group to get them some note pads or Iris notecards please let me know and send me your money. The notepads are 2.00 or 3 for 5.00. Note cards are 5.00 a packet.

I am really looking forward to seeing everyone next week.



Mr. Tony Boles, Director of Macon County Schools, addresses Alpha Gamma members at the April meeting.





Founder's Day 2014

Legislative and Educational Issues

Mr. Tony Boles, Director or Macon County Schools, spoke to members of Alpha Gamma about educational issues affecting our school system presently and legislative issues that may affect our system next year. He shared his concerns about our local growth and the need we will have for additional space along with a technology shortage if we are to meet future testing conditions. Mr. Boles talked about school vouchers, common core and elected/appointed directors, just a few of the legislative issues currently under discussion. School vouchers, a program that would allow low-income students zoned to public schools with low test scores to use public funds to pay for private school tuition is being considered by the House Finance Committee. At this time, vouchers have been approved for Special Education students only. Common Core, as we know it, is going away in 2017-2018 and will be replaced with new standards. Last, appointing a director of schools by the board of education instead of public election remains the preferred choice.

Next Month's Meeting

May 12th
Alpha Gamma Chapter
Annual Founders Day
Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church
6:00 PM

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InspirationSharon Fisher
Founder's Day ProgramDale Reid
Music Cynthia Hudson
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Delta Kappa Gamma

Mission

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

Vision

Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.

-News of Interest-Contact: Dawn Thompson Thompsond14@k12tn.net

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events

- May 5th Alpha Gamma Chapter presents scholarship at MCHS
- May 12th Alpha Gamma Chapter presents scholarship at RBSHS
- June 4-6 2015 Xi State Convention, Sewanee, TN
- July 14-18 2015 Southeast Regional, Savannah, GA
- July 5-9, 2016 International at Gaylord Opryland, Nashville, TN

Staying In Touch

Our sympathy goes out to Tammy Marlowe in the passing of her mother.

Remember Mrs. Annette Cothron as she continues to recover at home.

Congratulations to Cynthia Hudson, recipient of "Order of the Rose."

SESAME-ALMOND ROMAINE SALAD

INGREDIENTS

1/2 c butter

1 tbs. sugar

2 pkgs. Ramen noodles, crushed

1/3 c sesame seeds

1/4 cup sliced almonds

2 bunches romaine, torn

4 Green onions, sliced

DRESSING:

3/4 c olive oil

1/3 c sugar

1/4 c red wine vinegar

1 tbs. soy sauce

DIRECTIONS

In large skillet, melt butter and sugar over medium heat. Add the noodles, sesame seeds and almonds. (Discard seasoning pack) Cook and stir for 6-8 minutes or until browned; set aside. In large salad bowl, toss the romaine and onions.

In a jar with a tight-fitting lid, combine the dressing ingredients; shake well. Just before serving, drizzle over romaine mixture; top with noodle mixture. Toss to coat.