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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Mu Phi Chapter Houston, Texas Area XVIII, Chapter No. 309
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Don't miss our next
ΔΚΓ Meeting
Tuesday,
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009
Emmott Elementary

Refreshments: 4:30
Meeting: 4:45

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President's Message:



Greetings Members,

Wow, what a busy summer and I sure hope all of you had some time to relax and recharge for the new school year. I attended two award ceremonies/graduations for our Grants-in-Aid scholarships. It was especially exciting to award our recipient from Windfern High School, Andi Roeder. Their ceremony was very touching. Darlene and I had a great time at the Convention in Corpus Christy in June. It was good to see friends there and share ideas. We have a new State President, Vicki Davis who brings several news bulletins as well as a new theme for her biennium. Her theme is Advance the Society: Believe, Engage, Learn, Lead. We may now use "regular" numbers instead of Roman numerals to designate Areas in Texas so we are now Area 18. Vicki also refers to our state organization as the Texas State Organization instead of Alpha State. So if you see TSO, that is what it stands for. International President Dr. Carolyn Rants has pioneered the use of DKG instead of the Greek symbols. Read her article in the on-line article in the DKG News. We also have a new Area Coordinator, Christine Morrison, from the Lambda Alpha chapter in Spring Branch. I met her at the convention and she is a delight. On a personal note, my husband and I celebrated our 40th Anniversary with an Alaskan Cruise and land tour this summer. What a beautiful place!

We met as an Executive Board earlier this month and have some great things planned for you this year. Mary Ann Smith has graciously offered Emmott Elem. as our meeting location again this year and the Board voted to hold our meetings on the 2nd Tues. of each month. Mary Ann is able to accommodate us in her library on the dates listed below. We will continue to stay on the same Program Committees for this year but we did create new list for the Windfern teams...that is if you still want to use Windfern as our Service Project. We will vote on that at our first meeting, Sept. 8th. The refreshment committees are new, as are the chairmen and this year we are asking each group to include paper goods (plates, cups, utensils, napkins, & table cloth) as part of their monthly responsibilities since so many groups brought them anyway. As you remember, the beginning of the year is when dues are paid. We would like to offer an option for anyone who needs it...by allowing you to make 2 payments of your dues, half in Aug. or Sept. and the rest due in Oct. Dues are due to National by Oct. 31st so hopefully this will help out. Please make arrangements to pay your dues promptly so Barbara doesn't have to spend her time on reminders.

I am excited about this year. I hope you take advantage of the many scholarships available to those of you working on Doctorates or interested in taking courses/training. Please check the website for details and deadlines.

Can't wait to see everyone on Sept. 8th!

Suzanne

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



*Greater Houston
President's Luncheon*

*October 24, 2009
Briar Club*

*Mu Phi volunteers
needed to hostess the
registration table from
10:30 – 11:30*

*Luncheon \$30.00
Checks made out to Mu
Phi and given to
Barbara Higginbotham
at the Sept. meeting or
mail to Reed Elementary*



News Events



If you know of an
achievement or
happening for
the newsletter,
please contact
Karie Lawrence
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**Meeting Dates for
2009-2010**



September 8th
October 13th
November 10th (auction)
January 12th
February 9th
April 13th
May 11th (Founder's Day)

**Hostesses for the
September meeting:**



***JoAnn Baskin**

Norma Ault Mary Kimball
Barbara Birkes Linda Mauldin
Cathy Jones Darlene Hargett
Hollie Sailors Debbie Jackson
Debbie Emery Lynda Linder
Barbara Levandoski Ellen Irwin
Suzanne Thompson

Refreshment Committees 2009-10

October 13, 2009

*MaryRuth Razmandi
Kandy Bond
Laura Boyd
Veronica Bradford
Kathleen Dickson
Debbie Dinderman
Nancy Frankel
Mapra Gentry
Jeanette Gerault
Cynthia Gilbert
Gloria Pickett
Stephanie Thomas
Heather Enoch-Sands
Mary Hiemstra
Susan Lambert
Melissa Supleveda

November 10, 2009

*Ronda Rickett
Barbara Higginbotham
Janet Hoover
Heather Jankowski
Melody Goffney
Deborah Harbin
Missy Kilday
Gale Parker
Donna Worth
Linda Yelenick
Peggy Hall
Danielle Adams
Rose Williams
Cathy Null

November (cont.)

Mary Ann Smith
Christina Stout
Gaye Stuchly
Casey Suter
Carol Wolff
Cheryl Fisher
Patti Reed
Michelle Truitt
Marianna Buentello
Gayla Lutz

January 12, 2010

* Brenda Ross
Becky Cook
Andrea Kuhn
Karie Lawrence
Sally Lehnert
Vivian Lynch
Sharon Manning
Charlotte Martin
Carrie Marz
Sandra McNeely
Janna Barnhart
Theresa Hull
Rosa Lee Burdyl
Christine Mancon
Karen Johnson
Angela Savoy
Raquel Roeder

February 9, 2010

*Vanice Siler
Charmion Mohning
Janice Moore
Pam Panettiere
Julia Powers
Deanene Ricke
Phyllis Roberts
Crystal Romero-Mueller
Sabrina Schmitt
Sharon Scialdone
Sandra Burchell
Michelle Merricks
Jae Simpson-Butler
Gail Montano
Carol Crumrine

April 13, 2010

*Kari Hough
Tammy Stanfill
Catherine Sullivant
Brenda Trial
Patricia Smith
Amanda Wilson
Dalyn Schriewer
Sheri McCraig
Jennifer Vest
Catherine Dye
Laura Ann Novacinski
Jan Phillips
Pam Doherty
Tricia Reilly

May 11, 2010
Founder's Day Banquet

Congratulations Mu Phi for their many awards at the Alpha State Conference!

★Annie Award

★Early Bird Award for Chapter Yearbook

★Exemplary Award for Chapter Yearbook

★PACE Award

★Five Star Newsletter Award

★National Website Award

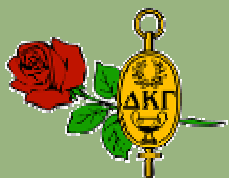
★Bronze Award for Headquarters Fund



If you collected hotel toiletries this summer during your travels please bring them to the September meeting. Norma Ault will collect them and make sure they are delivered to the Ronald McDonald House to be used by persons using their facilities while staying close by their loved ones.

As you collect additional toiletries during the year, you can bring them to any meeting.

Message from the Program Committee



Welcome Back to another GREAT year with Mu Phi!

We look forward to meeting together again and making plans with our committees' teams for the upcoming year. Plan to get involved and enjoy the company of other amazing women in education here in Cy-Fair!

Thanks!!

Crystal Romero-Mueller

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2009-2010 Committees

Society Business

Archives/History

Dona Worth*
Marianna Buentello
Ellen Irwin
Pat Smith
Sharon Scialdone
Rosa Lee Burdyl

Budget and Finance

Barbara Higginbotham*
Carrie Marz
Michelle Merricks
Pam Doherty
Missy Kilday

Ceremonials

Nancy Frankel*
Jae Simpson-Butler
Veronica Bradford
Charlotte Martin

Constitution/By-Laws

Mapra Gentry*
Janet Hoover
Teresa Hull
Sandra McNeely
Linda Mauldin

Membership/Necrology

Hollie Sailors*
Sharon Manning
Cathy Sullivant
Melinda Sutter
Mary Heimstra

Research

Andrea Kuhn*
Pam Panettiere
Catherine Dye

Nominating

Darlene Hargett*
Janet Hoover
Linda Yelenick

Program of Work

Program

Crystal Mueller*
Suzanne Thompson
Debbie Dinderman
Kathy Dickson
Karen Johnson
Susan Lambert
Cathy Null

Prof. Affairs

Christina Stout*
Amanda Wilson
Sally Lehnert
Gayla Lutz

Legislation

Debbie Emery*
Christine Melancon
Sheri McCaig
Gloria Pickett
Laura Ann Novacinski

Personal Growth

Cathy Jones*
Gail Montano
Tammy Stanfield

Music

Mary Ann Smith*
Angela Savoy
Jan Phillips
Raquel Roeder

Yearbook

Darlene Hargett*
Carol Wolff
Debbie Jackson
Cheryl Fisher
Brenda Trial

Special Committees

Social

Mary Kimball*
Vanice Siler
Ronda Rickett
Tricia Reilly
Brenda Ross
Mary Ruth Razmandi
Patti Reed
Kari Hough
JoAnn Baskin

Educational Services

Achievement Awards

Deanene Ricke*
Norma Ault
Janice Moore
Lynda Linder
Kandy Bond

Communications

Karie Lawrence*
Barbara Levandoski
Deborah Harbin
Julia Powers

Technology

Becky Cook*
Jennifer Vest
Charmoin Mohning
Heather Jankowski
Jeanette Gerault

Scholarship/Leadership

Gale Parker*
Vivian Lynch
Carol Crumrine
Barbara Birkes

Grants-in-Aid

Cindy Gilbert*
Heather Enochs-Sands
Dalyn Schriewer
Peggy Hall

World Fellowship

Melody Goffney*
Phyllis Roberts
Laura Boyd
Gaye Stuchly
Janna Barnhart
Melissa Supleveda

Mu Phi has a Facebook Group. It will be a great forum for discussions and information, and everyone can participate. It is a closed group so search for Delta Kappa Gamma Mu Phi and ask to join the group. See ya online!

facebook

Happy Birthday



August

Cathy Jones - 1st
Pat Smith - 11th
Gail Montano - 12th
Janet Hoover - 13th
Nancy Frankel - 14th
Mary Kimball - 16th
Ronda Rickett - 16th
Teresa Hull - August 17th
Vanice Siler - 17th
Phyllis Roberts - 18th
Mapra Gentry - 20th
Melinda Suter - 21st
Danielle Adams - 25th
Sandra McNeely - 28th
Kandy Bond - 29th

September

Jae Simpson-Butler - 4th
Debbie Emery - 14th
Marianna Buentello - 15th
Kathy Dickson - 16th
Becky Cook - 22nd
Sharon Scialdone - 23rd
Raquel Roeder - 30th



Learn more about
Delta Kappa Gamma
at their website:

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org>

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AlphaStTx@aol.com

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Reminder:

Please remember to bring your nametag and badge to the meeting. Hollie Sailors will have a list to sign if you have misplaced your nametag and need a new one made for you.

Membership Dues



Dues can be paid at the September meeting
or mailed to Barbara Higginbotham at
Reed Elementary, 8700 Tami Renee, 77040
Make check payable to Mu Phi in the amount of \$72.00.

Alpha State News

Vickie Davis, Alpha State President,
2009-2010 theme

"Advance the Society: Believe, Engage, Learn, Lead"

Alpha State Goal:

Alpha State, Texas, members will advance the mission of the organization and advocate its purposes by believing, engaging, learning and leading with diversity and enthusiasm.

Mu Phi Chapter Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2009, Luigi's 5:00-6:00

Meeting began with a welcome from Suzanne Thompson.

Initiation – Rose Williams and Pam Doherty were initiated.

Grant-in-Aid – The Grant-in-Aid recipients and their guests were welcomed and introduced.

Founder's Day Celebration – We were reminded that we come together to celebrate the founders who had a vision many years ago and made a difference for all of us.

Awarded Service Pins – Service Pins were awarded to those in 5 year increments.

Achievement Award – The committee awarded Karie Lawrence with the Achievement Award for her wonderful work with the newsletter and service to Mu Phi.

Attendance Awards – 100% attendance recipients received rose pins. Door prizes were distributed thanks to Luigi's Restaurant for donations. Also special thanks went out to Mary Kimball for planning and organizing the Founder's Day Celebration.

Don't forget: Next meeting September 8th.