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

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Dear Theta Gamma Sisters,

A year of being president is almost behind me. It has been challenging and I would not have been able to survive it if it wasn't for all the help that I have received from my Theta Gamma Sisters! I want to give Red Roses of Thanks to you all for your help and making this a memorable year for me. I have learned a lot and am looking forward to another year of being your president.

Our chapter project is moving along and we have secured Lee Sausley from Channel 6 News and Bart Bedsole from Channel 10 News as our auctioneers. Bill Schroeder with Corpest Services will donate money to help defray the cost of posters and signs for our book auction. (in case you haven't figured it out, Bill is my husband). I am looking forward to May 14th and hope you will grab a friend or two and join the fun!

Do not forget the Delta Kappa Gamma State Convention in McAllen is June 23-25. Registration forms must be postmarked on or before May 9th. If you have not been to a State Convention, this will be a good one to attend. Check the Convention website for more information. The convention link can be found on the Alpha State website.

My husband is looking forward to cooking Greek food for our Theta Gamma meeting on April 30th. We look forward to seeing you there. This is also the Birthday Celebration for our chapter so come help us celebrate. (Plus we are excited about showing off our newly renovated home).

Sincerely,

Kay Schroeder

Take the time to find and wear your pin to the next meeting—you've earned it.



Members still employed are also encouraged to wear theirs to work on the first Monday of every month. Show our organization off to others – we may pick up a new member that way.

April 30th Meeting Information:

April 30th 11:30 AM Our Founders and Chapter Birthday Luncheon Celebration graciously hosted by our president, Kay, and her husband, Bill, at their home at 15357 Bowsprit Ct. on the Island.

Final plans will be made for our 2nd Annual Book Auction benefitting Driscoll children's Hospital and our recruitment grant scholarship will be awarded.

Here is the link for a map (Whitecap is the second stoplight on the Island, turn right)

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps?address=15357+Bowsprit&zipcode=78418>

Their phone number is 688-1886

Minutes of the April 5th Meeting

Holiday Inn Emerald Beach

President, Kay Schroeder, introduced her friend, Kacie Sicilia, Senior Sales Manager for the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach who was responsible for letting us have our meeting there. A private room was set up for us, plus there was an open bar with appetizers, which included shrimp, queso and chips, fruit, vegetables, meatballs and chicken bites. We were all impressed and enjoyed our "snacks" very much.

Attendance - members absent: Family reasons - Beverly Tackett, Jennifer Kravek, and Beth Adams. Illness-Cynthia Besosa, and Shayla Floyd. Other reasons - Judith Whitlock, Margaret DeVille, and Kim Picozzi.

Members Present were-Eileen Rogers, Theo Wagner, Shannon Clubb, Kay Schroeder, Donna Rodenberg, Libby McGee, Linda Uballe, Sylvia Gonzalez, Leslie Elmore, Brandey Addison, Laura Day Brown, Kimberly Brumley, Elnora Corbin, Angie Flores, Neva Gentry, Norma Janice, Bettie Ruth Mitchell, Angela Steagall, Sylvia Swift, Carol Walker, Debbie Van Zandt, and Vilma Zuniga.

There was no correspondence to report.

The February minutes were accepted as printed, with no changes.

Treasure's Report as of March 31, 2011 [Editor's Note - A report as of April 6th follows the minutes.]

On hand as of February was \$679.55. Deposits included \$289.00 for the Joint Luncheon, fundraiser \$87.00 and the Pace Pig \$9.00, plus interest of \$.02 for a total deposit of \$385.02. Our available funds are \$1064.57. Disbursements were-\$289.00 to Delta Xi for the joint luncheon.

The balance on hand is \$775.57.

- The Scholarship Committee needs the total amounts received from the Raffle and Pace monies for this year.

McAllen - Alpha State Convention

- 82nd Convention June 23-25 May 9 is the deadline to register for \$50.00. After that the cost goes up.
- Donna Rodenberg spoke about the three guest speakers.
- They want donations. Vote on donations was tabled until April 30 meeting so we could check the budget for monies that were labeled for such uses.
- They want shoeboxes, plastic, filled with items for children in the hospitals in the Rio Grande Valley and Corpus Christi. The retirees will fix a box for the 2-4 year olds, teachers from the T-M Primary School will take the under

2 year olds, Laura and Janice will do the 8-11 year olds, CCISD will take the 4-8 year olds, and the T-M Librarians and Leslie Elmore will do the 11 and older group. Bring your box to Kay Schroeder's house for the April 30th meeting.

Book Auction-Leslie Elmore

- Our auctioneers will be Bart Bledsole and Lee Sausley. It was decided that we do not need a guest speaker due to time.
- We have 30 books at this time.
- Librarian Convention-our librarians attending will ask for donations from authors at the Convention
- Discussed banners and posters- Kay's husband will donate up to \$100.00 for the banners and posters.
- Posters will be 11 x 17 and we need 25. Linda Uballe will have the T-M Print Shop make the posters and Kay's husband will pay for them. Beverly Tackett and Eileen Rogers will distribute the posters to businesses. They will be ready at the April 30th meeting.
- Debbie Van Zandt will get the bags to put books in when sold.
- Everyone ask 1 other person to attend the Book Auction

Program

Traveling Texas by Angela Steagall

(I apologize to Angela right now, because she did a wonderful presentation and I did not do a very good job of sharing with everyone here.)

- Corpus Christi-choose a foreign country and then take on that culture for a day. Ex. Asian Cultures Museum, Asian restaurant, Movie set in an Asian country.
- Port O'Conner-beaches with lots of shells, rent a bike, cast iron lighthouse from 1852.
- Port Aransas - deep sea fishing on the Wharf Cat or Scat Cat, shelling on St. Joe Island, ride horses, Port Aransas Museum, UT Marine Science Institute, and visit the jetties.
- The Island-National Seashore - watch for turtles, play in the sand and be creative, and enjoy melted "sun due".
- East of Austin - barbecue tasting contest. Luling-City Market BBQ, Lockhart-Kreu Meat Market and Smitty's on Commerce.
- Camping-Bastrop State Park-beautiful old stone and wood cabins.
- Antiquing-the Original *Round Top* Antiques Fair, the first weekend of October and April of each year. Areas where you have to have tickets, but plenty of looking for free along the road about 11 miles out of La Grange. If you plan to stay, be sure to make a reservation way in advance. You cannot see it all in one weekend so go slow and enjoy yourself. Eat at Royer's Round Top Café on the Square. There are lots of booths that sell food while you antique along the road. *Brenham*, the home of Blue Bell ice cream. 12 antique shops on East Alamo Street. Need to cool off? Visit the Blue Bell Aquatic Center at 1800 E. Tom Green has an indoor pool and an outdoor pool. Just up the road is the *Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site*, where you can visit the Star of the Republic Texas history museum One last stop is the *Seward Plantation* located at 10005 FM 390.
- Houston-*Little India* located in the 5000-5900 blocks of Hillcroft, *Chinatown* on Bellaire Boulevard, which runs east off of 59. Houston has lots of museums-Museum of Natural Science, Holocaust Museum, the Children's Museum, the Health Museum, the Buffalo Soldier National Museum, the art museum- The Menil Collection. Also, visit the Heights for vintage Houston. River Oakes/Galleria Mall has an ice skating rink. Food Tour-many kinds of foods and shops are sprinkled in amongst the restaurants.
- Book Crawl (Houston)-9 Half Price Book Stores, Brazos Bookstore, Murder by the Book, Detering Book Gallery, The Book Collector, and Blue Willow.

- Galveston-Moody Gardens, Hotel Galvez and Spa, West End Beach, Star Drug Store, Schlitterbahn, free ferry ride, Tremont Midsummer Books, and don't miss touring the old homes. (Hopefully, all these places survived Hurricane Ike.)
- La Porte - San Jacinto Battleground
- Webster - Johnson Space Center
- Kemah Boardwalk for shopping, restaurants and amusement rides
- San Antonio - Latin Heaven, Mission Trail, Alamo Heights area 281 up Broadway, River Walk, El Mercado. Travel west for Garner State Park, and Bulverde-Guadalupe River State Park.
- Austin-visit UT campus, Congress Avenue, Sixth Street, Barton Springs Pool at Zilker Park (68 degrees year round), Big Red Sun (plant nursery), Austin's Farmer's Market, Mount Bonnell, Austin Symphony, Laguna Gloria (museum), Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, Book People and Half Price Books(book stores), restaurants galore, the Arboretum, the Cheesecake Factory, the Domain-acres of shops outdoors right off of Braker Lane (new to Austin).
- Round Rock-Round Rock Donuts, Antique Mall of Texas, the Ikea store and the Prime Outlet.
- Hill Country-Natural Bridge Caverns, Wonder World Park and Cave, New Braunfels and Gruene, Schlitterbahn. New Braunfels- Landa Park; San Marcos- Aquarena Springs, Texas State University, LBJ Museum; Wimberley - lots of shopping, Blue Hole for swimming; Fredricksburg - Wildseed Farms, shopping, Nimitz Museum, Rock Box Theatre, Enchanted Rock; Luckenbach. Burnet-Longhorn Caverns State Park; Driftwood-Salt Lick BBQ, Hamilton Pool and Grotto, Krause Springs.

Legislation

Theo Wagner gave an update. Todd Hunter told her not to worry about House Bill One passing. The Senate will not be as strict as the House of Representatives. Please write to Senator Chuy Hinojosa.

T-M Grant Foundation winners-Linda Uballe, Cynthia Besosa, Shannon Clubb, Sarah Moore, Kathy Crow, Donna Rodenberg, and Angela Steagall. Congratulations to all the winners.

The raffle for March and April was a basket of plants, gloves and a gift card to Gill's Nursery for \$45.00. The lucky winner was Sylvia Gonzalez. The raffle earned \$70.00.

The Pace Pig collected \$16.32.

It was moved to adjourn at 7:40 without singing due to the time.

Eileen Rogers
Recording Secretary

Please e-mail recording secretary Eileen Rogers at erogers@tmisd.esc2.net if you are going to miss a meeting so she can report the reason for your absence at the meeting.

THETA GAMMA CHAPTER
TREASURER'S REPORT
APRIL 6, 2011

Balance on Hand	(MARCH)			\$775.57
Deposits				
Fundraiser		\$ 70.00		
PACE		<u>\$ 16.32</u>		
TOTAL:		\$ 86.32		
Bank Interest				
	TOTAL	\$ 86.32	AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$861.87
DISBURSEMENTS:				
Carol Walker (Communication Reimbursement)				<u>\$ 42.86</u>
TOTAL:				\$ 42.86
			BALANCE ON HAND	\$819.03

Respectfully Submitted

Linda Uballe
Treasurer

Quick Links

Copy these into your favorite's browser for quick reference to our society sites:

International: <http://www.dkg.org>

State: <http://www.alphastatetexas.org/>

Theta Gamma Chapter: <http://www.orgsites.com/tx/thetagamma/>

Have You Changed Your Address/Phone/Email?

If you have changed *anything* about your address, phone or email, please notify Carol Walker at 937-3604 or walkerbc64@msn.com and our Treasurer, Linda Uballe at 537-5762 / 882-6628 or ljuballe@sbcglobal.net