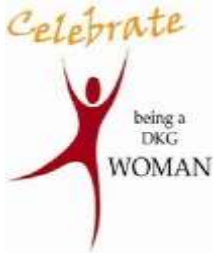


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Dr. Leigh Elizondo

Dear Sisters,

Today I noticed several businesses hanging holiday wreaths and people cheering when the lights came on. I thought to myself, "Hey wait...did I miss Thanksgiving? How did we get here so fast? In our family, we prepare for Thanksgiving a mere week

before the date with just enough time to bake a few pies to avoid a 24-hour cook-a-thon! For me, the most important part of Thanksgiving is acknowledging what I am thankful for and sharing time with the people I love. Each month, our Eta Delta family gathers in fellowship to celebrate one another. I am thankful for each of you not only for the gifts and talents you bring but for the friendship and love that you share. Enjoy your time with family and friends!

*Acknowledging the good that you already have in your life is the foundation for all abundance.*  
Eckhart Tolle

*Leigh*

### Meeting

November 4, 2017  
10:00 a.m.

Brenda's Home  
6106 Greenmont Dr.  
Houston, TX 77092-3336

REMINDER: Daylight savings time ends on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Set your clocks back one hour and enjoy that extra hour of sunshine!

#### *November Birthdays*

Debbie McCart – November 10  
Joan Watson – November 15  
Tonie Maheshwari – November 29

**Eta Delta 2016-2018 Officers**

Leigh Elizondo – President  
 Debbie Brand – First Vice President  
 Carol Gillingham – Second Vice President  
 Dede Drexler – Secretary  
 Nancy Malone – Treasurer  
 Kathy Froehlich – Parliamentarian

*Shown at right: Carol prepares for the Necrology Service held for Helen Lewis.*

**Annie Award**

The Annie Award is changing! In place of an application process, Texas chapters are encouraged to submit their best program or project for the year. Projects and program submissions will alternate years. Eta Delta will be sent a 5-6 slide PowerPoint template to complete and return.

ALL returned Annie presentations will be shown at the state convention. This new format allows for wider participation and increased visibility. It is hoped that chapters can appreciate what was done by others and get great ideas for their own chapters.

**2017 Yearbook Published**

The Yearbook Committee, chaired by Debbie Cowie, has filed and received email notification that the 2017 Eta Delta Yearbook has been accepted. Information was compiled from documentation from the Educational Excellence Committee. Your copy will be sent via email in early November.

In addition, Debbie has asked the state yearbook committee chair to review the online list of 2016 Yearbook Early Bird submissions as Eta Delta's name was inadvertently left off the list.

**Supporting Early Career Educators**

In December, Eta Delta will be supporting nominated teachers with gift cards. These cards can be used to supplement classroom materials or provide activities for their students. Send your first or second year teacher nominations to Debbie Brand by November 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting Minutes****October 7, 2017**

At 9:52 a.m. the meeting was called to order.

Debbie Brand thanked Karen Green for hosting the meeting and the Executive Board for providing lunch. At that time, we went outside to participate in the Necrology Service for Helen Lewis.

After the service, Martha LaRue gave the inspiration about the people you remember the most: those who care about you, those who you enjoy spending time with, those who aided your journey in school, and those who taught you something worthwhile. We don't remember the people who won the most awards, those who were the wealthiest, etc.

**Minutes of May, 2017:** Debbie McCart, not Debbie Brand, was in charge of VIP drivers for the June convention. The minutes were moved for approval by Jane Flinn and seconded by Tonie Maheshwari.

**Treasurer's Report:** The report was filed for review which included: the Annual Treasurer's Report for 2016-2017, Form 18 upon the death of Helen Lewis, Form 990 N to the IRS which was accepted, dues to GHACC. The chapter currently has 34 active members and 4 reserve members which total 38 members. Jane Flinn moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Carol Gillingham seconded, all approved.

**President's Report:** None, due to Leigh Elizondo's absence.

**Committee Reports:**

Membership – Jane reported that we have 13 people present at today's meeting. She explained the absences.

Finance – Sue Ayers reported that the finance committee put together a proposed budget, going item by item. We initiated 3 new members into our chapter; however, we dropped 4 members. Dues remained the same for active members at \$98.00 annually and \$40.00 annually for reserve members. After review and discussion of all expenses, Sue Ayers made a motion to adopt the budget for the 2017-2018 year. It was approved.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:**

New Teacher Program: Invite 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year teachers to the meeting/luncheon in December and present gift cards to them. Get names to Debbie Brand.

**Minutes (con't.)**

Jane Flinn gave a report about the state convention in June. We won almost every award given, including: Early Bird, Yearbook of Excellence, Goldstar Newsletter, Annie, Rosebud, Trailblazer, PACE, and we have a certified website. Attendance was high. Bonnie Moore did a phenomenal job with a fun and well-organized convention.

Our goal this year is to recruit new members for our chapter. We will have initiations in February and May. We will present new members at the November meeting and vote at the December meeting.

Helen Chapman, who moved here from IOTA chapter in Ct., complimented our chapter on going above and beyond and doing so much more than other chapters, including bringing in younger members, the newsletter, being generous and doing so much for others.

Our program was presented by Jane Flinn on Schools for Africa, sponsored by UNICEF and DKG. Eta Delta collects change in our red boxes (Red Box Project) which are turned in at our birthday luncheon in March. Jane discussed why DKG participates in this overseas initiative rather than an American project pointing out seemingly insurmountable needs – victims of war, dissidence, human trafficking, etc. Red boxes were distributed to chapter members for those needing them at the end of the presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.



## Year at a Glance

### 2017 – 2018 Chapter Meetings

Date	Location	Hostesses	Inspiration
4 Nov 2017 10:00 - 11:30 am	Brenda Paulk 6106 Greenmont Dr. Houston, TX 77092-3336	<b>*Lindsey Krumrine</b> Karen Green Leigh Elizondo Debra Rockefeller	Karen Green
2 Dec 2017 10:00 - 11:30 am	Kathy Froelich 1322 Del Norte St. Houston, TX 77018	<b>*Shirley Moan</b> Bonnie Moore Jane Flinn Regina Williams	Kirbe Montgomery
4 Feb 2018 10:00 - 11:30 am	Gerri Manlove 5003 Oak Forest Dr. Houston, TX 77018-1909	<b>*Nancy Malone</b> Donna Patch Trish Jenkins Toni Maheshwari	Debbie Cowie
10 Mar 2018 10:30 am	Junior League of Houston 1811 Briar Oaks Ln Houston, TX 77027	Social Committee	Jamie Ybarra
1 Apr 2018 9:30 am Initiation 10:00 - 11:30 am	Carol Gillingham 2218 Saxon Drive Houston, TX 77018	<b>*Chauncey Walker</b> Jamie Ybarra Kirbe Montgomery	Ellen Pritchett
6 May 2018 10:00 - 11:30 am	St. Christopher's Episcopalian 1656 Blalock Houston, TX 77080	<b>*Sue Ayers</b> Dede Drexler Martha LaRue	Kathy Froelich

\*Agrees to serve as lead hostess for the meeting

In addition to our monthly Chapter meetings, consider participating in these upcoming events!

89<sup>th</sup> Texas State Convention  
Waco Convention Center  
Waco Texas  
June 14-16, 2018

2018 International Convention  
JW Marriott Austin  
Austin Texas  
July 16-20, 2018