

Eta Delta Data



Eta Delta Chapter 172 Area III ,Houston
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Texas State Organization

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

Vision Statement: Leading women educators impacting educators worldwide.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Bonnie Moore

Dear Sisters,

“In the Merry Month of May” is the opening line to an Old English Madrigal I learned in junior high school. Indeed, May is a merry month with Cinco de Mayo, Mother’s Day, graduations, Memorial Day, birthdays, anniversaries and all of the celebrations we have on our calendars. One celebration you don’t want to miss is our Founders’ Day with the initiation of our two newest members, Virginia Marez and Debbie Cowie.

Delta Kappa Gamma initiation is such as special time as an initiate, but it is also an extraordinary time for each of us to renew our commitment to Eta Delta, Delta Kappa Gamma, and each other. We will participate in a recommitment ceremony and celebrate with successes and awards. It will be a terrific end to the first year of the 2012-2014 biennium and a great start to the second year. Let’s have 100% attendance on Saturday, May 4th to celebrate all of the merry things we have done and will do.

Bonnie

Just a thought . . .

Teachers are the guardians of civilization. *Bertrand Russell*

Each thought that is welcomed and recorded is a nest egg by the side of which more will be laid. *Henry David Thoreau*

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REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING MAY 4, 2013

INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS 9:30

TIME: 10:00 - 12:00

INSPIRATION: Regina Williams / Kathy Froehlich

PROGRAM: *Founders' Vision that Continues to Light the Way*

PROGRAM FACILITATOR: Carol Gillingham

HOME: Brenda Paulk
6106 Greenmont Dr.
Houston 77092
(713) 686-8000

HOSTESSES: Debbie McCart*
Trish Jenkins
Jane Hall
Jane Flinn

DIRECTIONS: Going toward Austin on 290 W, exit at W. 34th St. / Antoine Drive. Turn right on Antoine and drive until you get to Golden Forest Dr. Turn left. At Lost Forest Dr. turn right. Go to Greenmont and turn left—6106 is on the left.

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2013-14 MEETING MUSTS

At the next meeting, you will be asked to consider having a chapter meeting at your home and to serve as hostess. As usual, a sign-up sheet will circulate at the May meeting for the 2013-2014 meetings. We will need four hostesses for each meeting and a home for November 2, April 5th and May 3rd.

- The first meeting will be **September 7** at the **home of Michelle Smith** and the hostesses will be the *Executive Board+*.
- **October 18-19** will be the GHACC Reception and Luncheon, for Nancy Newton, but we still *need four hostesses*.
- **November 2** will possibly/probably have an initiation. *Needs home and two more hostesses*.
- **December 7th**, **Kathy Froehlich** has asked to have the meeting at her home, but she'll still need *three more hostesses*.
- **February 1st** meeting is at the home of **Gerri Manlove** and needs *four hostesses who can remain to clean up*.
- **March 1st** Birthday Luncheon, **April 5th**, and **May 3rd**—Installation of new officers. *All these need four hostesses; April and May need homes*.

If you are unable to attend the May meeting, please email or phone Debbie McCart with your choice of dates for offering your home or for being a hostess.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP: Members voted to invite **Deborah Cowie** and **Virginia Marez** to join Eta Delta.

SCHOLARSHIP: One member attending the state convention for the first time will receive a \$100 chapter scholarship at the May meeting.

AWARDS:


- Kathy Froehlich requested suggestions for additional awards to give at the May meeting.
- Eta Delta received Early Bird and Exemplary Awards for the yearbook (Carol), and Five-Star recognition for the newsletter (Ann). Congratulations Carol and Ann!



Have you heard...

- **Kirbe Hunt** has become engaged! The wedding to a fellow teacher will be next summer. Best Wishes!
- **Michelle Smith** is collecting the Box Tops and soup labels for education. Bring them to the meeting.
- **Bonnie Moore** is the new president of CHACC!



 Birthdays		
<i>May</i>	Berta Deleza	25
<i>June</i>	Carol Gillingham	15
	Elizabeth Hensley	16
	Jane Hall	18
	Debbie Elrod	27
	Shirley Cousins	28
<i>July</i>	Jo Ann Miller	14
	Leigh Elizondo	15
	Martha LaRue	28



THE BUZZ FROM ALPHA STATE



- Registration for the 84th Alpha State Convention must be in **before May 6th** or a late fee of \$25 will be added to your registration fee.
- An additional hotel has been added for the convention. **Hyatt Place Austin/Arboretum**, 3612 Tudor Blvd. Austin 78759 (811. 242-3654) is taking reservations since the Renaissance is filled.
- Updating electronic information is important. If you have not recently updated your information with DKG, please go to mem@dkg.org to provide your current email information; also, include your membership number to be certain that your information is yours.

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Alpha State Headquarters in **Dallas**

alphastatetexas.org

International Headquarters in **Austin**

dkg.org



ETA DELTA 2012-2014 OFFICERS

Bonnie Moore	President
Jane Flinn	First Vice President
Debbie McCart	Second Vice President
Shirley Moan	Secretary
Nancy Malone	Treasurer
Donna Patch	Parliamentarian
Ann Mahan	Newsletter Editor



If you plan to go to Austin for the convention, be sure to pack school items for early childhood or middle school youth. If you can't attend the convention but want to contribute to the Unifying Project for the convention, bring items to the May meeting and Bonnie (or I) will take them to Austin.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

84TH ALPHA STATE CONVENTION
June 20-22, 2013
Renaissance Hotel (full)
Hyatt Place Austin / Arboretum*
Austin, Texas
Make Reservations Now

SW REGIONAL CONFERENCE
July 17-20, 2013
Hilton Branson Hotel
Branson, Missouri
Southwest flies nonstop

April 5, 2013, Meeting Minutes

Eta Delta Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International held its regular meeting on Saturday, April 5, 2013, in the home of Nancy Malone. President Bonnie Moore and Recording Secretary Shirley Moan were present when President Bonnie Moore called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Inspirational Message

Debbie Elrod presented the inspirational message entitled "Ode to the End of the Year". It reminded all of us of special

"end of the year" days that we've all experienced where we recall both the good and not so good things that happened in our classrooms during the year. How we relished the triumphs of our students while wondering how we could improve our lessons for the coming year.

Minutes

Bonnie asked for the approval of the minutes of the February and March minutes as they were mailed. The motion was made and seconded to approve both sets of minutes. The motion was approved.

Correspondence

Secretary Shirley Moan read the correspondence that had been received since our last meeting.

1. A letter from Dr. Dawn D. Randle, Principal of Red Elementary, thanking the chapter for its \$400 donation to the Red Elementary Library.
2. A card from Katherine Reid, T.S.O. Second Vice President congratulating Eta Delta on its 50th Birthday with a check for \$50 to be used as we wish.
3. An acknowledgement card from the Texas State Organization of DKG stating that Pat Osborne had made a contribution to the Alpha State Texas Educational Fund in honor of Eta Delta's 50th Anniversary.
4. Bonnie told us that she had sent a sympathy card on behalf of the chapter to Katherine Reid whose brother passed away.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Nancy Malone reported a balance on hand as of March 31, 2013, to be \$5410.17. Nancy's report was filed for audit.

President's Report

1. President Bonnie Moore first thanked Nancy Malone for opening her home to us for today's meeting. She also thanked our hostesses Jane Flinn, Leigh Elizondo, Carol Gillingham, Ann Mahan, Debbie Elrod, and Debbie McCart for providing our lunch today.
2. Bonnie then introduced our special guest, Kim Birklebach, Area III Coordinator. Kim told us that Area III has received the Award for Most New Members. She also encouraged all of us to attend the State Convention in Austin on June 19-22. The deadline for registration is May 6th. She also reminded us that the regional convention will be held in Branson, MO. Beginning on July 17th. Since Kim was unable to attend our 50th Birthday Celebration, Nancy Malone presented her with the commemorative bud vase of the event.

3. Bonnie asked Debbie McCart to send an e-mail listing alternative hotels for State Convention to all the members.
4. She thanked Donna Patch for completing the update of our bylaws that had been requested by the Texas State Organization. Donna said she had submitted everything to TSO.
5. Bonnie thanked the Ceremonial Committee for its organization of the Necrology Service for Allene Holman and for the fantastic 50th Birthday Celebration.
6. She reminded us that we'll have an initiation at our May meeting.
7. Bonnie gave us a summary of her Leadership Training Conference. Kim Birklebach told the chapter that President Nancy Newton was very impressed by Bonnie's leadership skills.
8. The PACE Award is being readied for submission. Bonnie said she will be calling on us for assistance.
9. Bonnie announced that the Chapter has received both the Exemplary Award and the Early Bird Award for our yearbook. Congratulations to Carol Gillingham. Also, our newsletter has received the 5-Star Newsletter Award. Congratulations to Ann Mahan.

Committee Reports

1. **Program:** In the absence of First Vice President, Jane Flinn, (she's attending her brother-in-law's wedding) Bonnie reported that the Chapter raised \$404.78 with our Change for Children boxes. Those funds will go to International's Schools for Africa fund. Leigh Elizondo presented the check to the Chapter on behalf of Jane. We were also asked to continue our contributions to the Red School Library. Debbie Brand told us about the visit to Bane Elementary by several of our members that had been organized by Jane. Members read books to children and had books read to them. Bonnie reported that our entry for the Annie Award has been submitted. Finally, Jane and some of our members visited the Wesley Community Center to present more than 130 books for their new library.
2. **Membership:** Membership Chairman, Debbie Brand, gave the following report.
 - a. Our attendance for today's meeting is 21 present, 10 absent, and 1 guest, Kim Birklebach.
 - b. The Chapter voted to accept Debbie Cowie and Virginia Marez as new members.
3. **Scholarships/World Fellowship:** Chairman Ann Mahan explained World Fellowship to the members and encouraged members to apply for scholarships. She also reminded us that we have a \$100 scholarship for someone who is attending her first State Convention.
4. **Awards:** Chairman Kathy Froehlich said she would be meeting with Nancy after the meeting to discuss possible awards to be presented at the May meeting. She asked for suggestions for any special awards that anyone would like her to add.

Unfinished Business

None was presented.

New Business

None was presented.

Announcements: Kirbe Hunt announced that she just turned 30, and she is engaged!! Congratulations, Kirbe!

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m

Program

Leigh Elizondo, Technology Chairman, presented the program "Lighting the Way to Literacy: Using Technology to Share the DKG Story". Leigh unveiled our new website!! Leigh, who is our webmaster, gave us a guided tour of Eta Delta's website. It's not online yet, but will be soon. She explained the financial aspects of establishing the website. Since it was apparent that the financial part needed to be discussed, Bonnie reconvened the business meeting.

Business Meeting Reconvened

Bonnie reconvened the business meeting at 11:25 a.m. to discuss how to finance the website. Shirley Moan made the motion that a technology assessment of \$3 per member be instated. The motion was seconded. Bonnie called for discussion of the motion. After some discussion, Bonnie Moore moved that we amend the motion on the floor to pay for the website's current expenses from the present budget and to let the Finance Committee consider adding the \$3 assessment per member to next year's budget when they draw up the budget for 2013-2014. The amendment was seconded and approved. The original motion was approved as amended. The reconvened business meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m. The chapter then enjoyed the delicious salad luncheon and wonderful array of desserts that was provided by our hostesses.