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A Letter from the President

It's such a sad thing to have to say goodbye to beloved members. I did not know Evelyn Blanchard very well, but so many of you did and were close to her. I am so sorry for your, and our, loss.

We still have a need to increase our numbers, my friends. At this writing, we have no new members lined up for orientation or reinstatement. We have not had an orientation since 2010! We must think of what we can do as individuals to help our chapter grow. Our numbers are such that we do not need to worry yet about dropping so low we risk being absorbed by other chapters in the area, but we DO each need to step up our efforts. Please pause today and give some serious thought about any woman who has impressed you with her ability to educate in some way. She might be just the person we need in Lambda Alpha!

Planning for next year's programs is under way! If you have any ideas for meetings, please don't be shy! Share them with us so we can try to accommodate!

Sincerely,
Leigh LaVergne



Upcoming Meetings

April 9--Scrapbook-type greeting cards—Rummel Creek—4:30
May Founders' Day Banquet information coming soon!!

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Pineapple Cheese Ball

Martha Lynn Lewis



2 (8 oz) packages cream cheese softened
1 large can crushed pineapple, well-drained
2 tablespoons green onions- finely chopped
1/4 cup green pepper, finely chopped
2 teaspoons seasoned salt
2 cups pecans, chopped and toasted, divided
Crackers

Mix cream cheese and pineapple with a mixer. Stir in onion, green pepper, seasoned salt, and 1/2 cup pecans. Roll into 1 large ball or 2 logs, or fill a scooped-out pineapple half. Roll in or top with remaining pecans. Serve with crackers. This freezes well, and looks great shaped into an elongated pineapple with a pineapple top and bottom. Yield 20-30 servings.

Evelyn Blanchard



Evelyn Blanchard was our Lambda Alpha president from 2000-2002. Because we lost her so recently, I have decided to skip to her in our reflections on Past Presidents.

Evelyn, born in 1928, has been a member of Delta Kappa Gamma since May of 1994. Her career included teaching positions in Housman Elementary School, Spring Forest Middle School, and a private school. She taught Language Arts and had certificates for all levels.

Evelyn enjoyed many activities in her spare time. She loved sewing, needlework, gardening, cooking and reading. Friends and family reported that she had an “exquisite” handwriting. She was proud of her husband, who was a principal at Memorial Middle School in SBISD.

Her husband, Claude, and she were avid travelers. We are so fortunate to have known her and to have had her as such an active member of our chapter. She gave her all as our president, and she will be missed.