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**Upcoming Events**

October 16 – chapter meeting, 4:30, Buffalo Creek Elementary School, 2801 Blalock Road. When you arrive at the school, please park in front of the building and enter through the front door. A Lambda Alpha member will be stationed there to let you into the building. No sign-in is required. Turn right and proceed through the glass doors to the front hall where another member will be posted. The meeting room is the second door on the right. Tobey Unrath will present information about the possible scholarships and funds we can receive as DKG members.

October 20 – Tallowood Baptist Church Worship Classic sales

December 1 – Christmas luncheon, 10:45, Junior League

January 12 – chapter meeting at Tobey’s home, 10:00, 2619 Manila Lane

February 19 – chapter meeting, 4:30, Mendenhall Community Center

April 9 – chapter meeting, 4:30, Mendenhall Community Center

May 7 – Founders’ Day dinner, 5:30, Fratelli’s Restaurant

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**Don’t Forget**

* Pay your annual dues ($80) to Mary Moreno by Oct. 21. 2100 Tanglewilde Avenue #14, Houston, TX 77063

* Sign up to bring a refreshment to at least one meeting.

* For more information and pictures of DKG visit our great Website: [http://lambdaalphdkg.weebly.com/](http://lambdaalphdkg.weebly.com/)
Greetings Lambda Alpha Sisters!

As I am writing this, cool weather has finally returned to Houston. What a wonderful relief from summer’s heat and humidity. This past month has flown with many activities. On September 15, ten of our members went to the Area 18 Workshop. There not only did we learn more about DKG, but we also made about $100 from raffling a Waterford crystal rose donated by Clara Reimers and a sterling silver bell from the Bell collection donated by Sue Thompson. The winners were so excited! On October 13 and 14, we had two sales, one at HATFL (Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Language) and St. John Vianney Catholic Church Bazaar. The approximate $300 funds raised from these sales will be used to provide chapter scholarships in 2019-2020.

Mary Moreno has been working hard filling out the dues report for State. If you have not paid your dues yet, you MUST send them to her by October 31. She is charged with getting the dues to State by November 1, so if you are mailing your does to her, please let her know so if it arrives later, she will know to expect them. Please be aware that if your dues are not paid by October 31, your membership will be dropped.

Don’t forget to look at the reservation form for our Christmas luncheon to be held on October 1 at the Houston Junior League. This is always a fun gathering. Please have your reservation mailed by November 16 so Martha Lynn can contact the Junior League with your choices. This year we will again be collecting Christmas gifts for students at Buffalo Creek Elementary at the luncheon. If you cannot attend, contact Sue Thompson for other options for your gift giving.

Hope to see all of you at the meeting at Buffalo Creek Elementary this Tuesday on October 16.

~Sue

Our St. John Vianney booth…
October: Janet Cranmer 21\textsuperscript{st}

November: Marie Helmy 2\textsuperscript{nd}, Debbie Connally 15\textsuperscript{th}, Teresa Decker 23\textsuperscript{rd}, Brenda Lozano 24\textsuperscript{th},

If we have missed someone, please let us know. We do not want to miss a single birthday.

Grant-in-Aid

This year’s Grant-in-Aid honors the memory of Brenda Lozano’s mother, Alice Ambrose. Through Brenda’s culinary talents and generosity, another woman will have some financial support meeting her college expenses. The application will be posted on Spring Branch’s Naviance website. Please share this opportunity with any graduating senior woman you think worthy. The deadline is March 15, 2019.
Ten Chapter members attended the Area 18 Workshop held on September 15, 2018.

The ½ day agenda opened with a general session led by Sue Bathe, our area coordinator. As the event was held at her church, her pastor, Steve Henze, welcomed the participants and expressed his appreciation for our dedication to *didasko*, a Greek word meaning to educate, deduce. Huntyce Moore provided an inspiration associating seeds with memories. Both emerge and need to be nourished.

Bonnie Moore, TSO Parliamentarian, spoke of Convention accomplishments. She referenced some of the statewide systems supporting Harvey victims such as Classroom to Classroom and Sister to Sister. These programs made us all feel proud to be associated with such a professional and caring organization.

Two break-out sessions offered presentations addressing the various facets of successfully running a chapter. An event highlight was a slide show presentation by Sister Jane Meyer at the closing session. She profiled the evolution of Our Lady of Grace School in Africa. The process of building a program, staff, and facilities, and the impact on the students and the community was most impressive.

Martha Lynn Lewis and Margaret Rankin successfully manned a table selling pumpkins, rubs, jellies, and tickets for 2 raffle opportunities that earned the chapter about $250.
Lambda Alpha members gathered at the Trini Mendenhall Harris County Community Center with fifteen members present. Beginning at 4:30 p.m. members were welcome by President Sue Thompson and refreshments were enjoyed by all. The program was introduced by Vice President Rosemary Armstrong which was a presentation given by Ellen Efsic on Girls Inc., a program that goes into schools and conducts enrichment programs for all girls to BE STRONG, BE SMART, and BE BOLD. This is a national organization with Houston being the local affiliate. Lambda Alpha chapter made a $50 donation, and chapter members collected articles and another $30 cash for that organization.

The business meeting was called to order at 4:50 p.m. with the minutes being approved by Clara Reimers making the motion, followed by Margaret Rankin seconding the motion. Mary Moreno sent the treasurer’s report with a balance of $6,041.44 in the checking account and a balance of $2,590.68 in the savings account.

The members were thanked for bringing refreshments, and they were reminded to sign the permission slip for pictures on the Internet. A report was given on the Area 18 Workshop with ten members attending. Over $250 was raised by the vendor table that included two raffle items, a Waterford rose donated by Clara Reimers and a Rose Bell silver charm donated by Sue Thompson. Sue announced that the chapter also presented Jane Meyer a check for $40 for Schools in Africa.

The chapter voted to allow Pat Kougar-Melton to become a reserve member. The motion was made by Clara Reimers and seconded by Kathy Gardner. The chapter voted on two new prospective new members. Cindy Davis and Anne Pimmel will be invited to become new Lambda Alpha members.

It was announced that Susie White’s husband has had surgery, Sonia Greiner’s step-father has been ill, and Erin Johnson has been in the hospital. Please keep the chapter informed about family illness. Also announced was upcoming sales at St. John Vianney Catholic church on October 14, at HATFL on October 13, and at Tallowood Baptist Church on October 25. There will be a pumpkin and card making session at Sue’s home on September 25 at 10 a.m.

Brenda Lozano made a presentation to the chapter for a $750 scholarship given in memory of Alice Ambrose, her mother.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Martha Lynn Lewis, Recording Secretary