President’s letter:

In my President’s training in Frisco, TX last June, they suggested that the President’s page not be the first page of the newsletter. They felt that whatever was most important should go first. I agreed and the President’s letter was moved to the last page of last month’s newsletter. This month it is back on the front page due to the importance of the sad news previously shared with the Lambda Alpha sisters.

It is hard to lose a member of Lambda Alpha and thus so very hard to lose two in less than a month, Billie Golden Law on Saturday, August 13th and Mary Linnenberg on Sunday, August 28th. At our October 4th meeting we will have a remembrance ceremony for both of our Lambda Alpha sisters.

Amy Schmaltz, Billie Golden Law’s daughter, told everyone that donations be made to Lambda Alpha instead of sending flowers. Through the generous donations from her family, friends, and Lambda Alpha sisters, $1,895.00 has been donated to the scholarship fund in her honor. Her legacy will live on in future educators in part due to the scholarships that will be provided by the donations given in her honor.

The October newsletter will have articles about the lives and contributions of our two Lambda Alpha sisters. They will be missed.

Brenda
**Upcoming Events**

October 1, 2016 – We will be selling cards and pumpkins at the HATFL meeting at Stratford High School. Time to be announced.

October 4, 2016 - Lambda Alpha Meeting at Mendenhall Community Center, 1414 Wirt @ Westview. Refreshments and social time starting at 4:30 p.m. There will be a High Tea to celebrate the Chapter’s Birthday and all-members birthdays followed by the program Zentangle presented by Leigh LaVergne. A remembrance ceremony will be held for Billie Golden and Mary Linnenberg.

October 27, 2016 - We will be selling cards and pumpkins at Tallowood Baptist Church. Time to be announced.

November 5, 2016 – There will be an optional Lambda Alpha Gathering for lunch at Brookwood. Further information coming soon.

December 3, 2016 – Holiday Luncheon at the Junior League at 10:45 a.m. Menu choices due on November 18th to Rosemary Nelson. Please bring a wrapped toy for presentation to Buffalo Creek students.

January 7, 2017 – Lambda Alpha Meeting at Toby Unrath’s house, 2619 Manila Lane at 10:00. Brunch followed by the program Hope for Youth which is an extension of the Star of Hope.


February 7, 2017 - Lambda Alpha Meeting at Mendenhall Community Center, 1414 Wirt @ Westview. Refreshments and social time starting at 4:30 p.m. Program will be presented by the SBISD Police Department.

March – date to be announced social opportunity to see the performance of To Kill a Mockingbird at AD Players.

April 4, 2017 - Lambda Alpha Meeting at Mendenhall Community Center, 1414 Wirt @ Westview. Refreshments and social time starting at 4:30 p.m. Program is State Bound.

May 2, 2017 – Founders Day Banquet at Fratelli’s Restaurante, 1330 Wirt Road at Westview at 5:30.

Salad Luncheon

Saturday, August 20\textsuperscript{th} at the home of Karen Harrell, our chapter had their first meeting that was our annual salad luncheon. Members brought lovely salads or yummy desserts of their own choosing. Lunch was followed by the business meeting and the initiation of our two new members, Aimee Maldonado and Janet Smith.
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**Birthdays**

**September:** Karen Harrell 5th, Cathey Jones 15th, Terry Hibbert-Ismert 17th, Aban Rustomji 20th, Pauline Sayers 20th, Kathy Gardner 25th, and Mary Moreno 26th.

**October:** none

If we have missed someone, please let us know. We are going off the information in the Year Book and do not want to miss a single birthday.

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**Area 18 Conference Highlights**

On Saturday September 10, 2016, nine of the Lambda Alpha sisters attended the Area 18 Conference at The Covenant Preparatory School in Kingwood, TX from 8:00 – 1:00. There was an opening session followed two breakout sessions and a closing session. Some members attended sessions that focused on the office they hold and other members attended sessions that ranged from Technology to Art. Sue Thompson and Martha Lynn Lewis sold pumpkins and homemade cards during the conference and made $200.00 for our chapter. After the conference the members enjoyed a lovely lunch and fellowship at Escalantes.
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Salad Luncheon and Initiation of New Members
August 20, 2016

At 12:30 p.m. Lambda Alpha members gathered at Karen Harrell’s home for the first meeting of the year. Prior to the luncheon several members attended the funeral of Billie Golden Law who was one of our charter members. Delta Kappa Gamma was always very dear to Billie’s heart and the luncheon was an opportunity to share memories of Billie. Tobey Unrath led the Chapter in a blessing that began the luncheon where delicious salads and wonderful desserts were enjoyed by all. The business meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by President Brenda Lozano. Brenda welcomed the 17 members in attendance. The previous minutes were approved as written with a motion by Sue Thompson and seconded by Clara Reimers. Sue Thompson presented the proposed budget for 2016-2017. Several questions were asked and an explanation was given why there was money budgeted for rental fees as the chapter would not have any this year with the meeting location. Billie’s daughter, Ann, requested in lieu of flowers that donations be sent to Lambda Alpha to be put in the Grant & Aid account for education. These funds will be used for Lambda Alpha’s scholarships. Kathy Gardner made a motion with Gloria Montalbano seconding to accept the budget as proposed. Mary Moreno presented the Treasurer’s report with the checking account balance being $2533.96 and the Grant & Aid balance being $2881.28. The members were encouraged to pay their dues as the deadline is October 15, 2016. Martha Lynn Lewis congratulated Leigh LaVergne and Sue Thompson on the unbelievable amount of work they have done designing and cutting over 1100 cards for the chapter to sell for their fund raising project. As of present time over $1654.69 has been made with the chapter profit being $1356.44. The chapter has over 500 cards left to sell. The chapter has a table to sell them on September 10th at the Area Conference, September 14th at Nottingham Forest Club House, October 1st at HATFL at Stratford High School, and on October 27th at Tallowood Church. The table at NFC was sponsored by Martha Lynn Lewis and the table at Tallowood was sponsored by Tobey Unrath and Karen Harrell. Members signed up to sell at these different locations. The members were urged to sign up for the Area 18 Conference on September 10 to be held at Northeast Christian Academy. Sign up forms were passed around to sign up for refreshments for the High Tea Birthday Celebration on October 4, 2016. Also there were forms for members’ birthdays, a field trip to Brookwood on November 5, 2016, and committee assignments for this year. A formal Initiation Ceremony was held to welcome Janet Smith and Aimee Maldonado as new members. The ceremony was concluded with the Delta Kappa Gamma Song followed by adjournment at 3 p.m.

Martha Lynn Lewis
Recording Secretary

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