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President's Message

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our January meeting! Our joint meeting was a success with Epsilon Psi – it was great to socialize with our sister organization, as well as hear about retirement & TRS. In February, we will be having one of our favorite meetings of the year – the auction!!! Mary Jane Ethridge will be returning as auctioneer this year, and we are excited to be raising funds in person again. Start picking and/or making your items to bring! In the meantime, bundle up and stay warm in this cold weather. I look forward to seeing everyone in February.

Thank you for all you do,
Nancy Bonds, Gamma Nu President



Gamma Nu Yearbooks

Yearbooks – The 2021-22 Gamma Nu Yearbook is complete! It is available on our website:
www.gammanutexas.weebly.com

DKG International has asked all chapters to “Go Green” and to no longer print yearbooks for distribution. If you prefer to have a paper copy, you will need to print it.

Thanks for your understanding and patience!



Red Roses to

Our Epsilon Psi sisters for joining us for our joint meeting in January!

Roseanna Henrichsen and her team for providing refreshments at the January meeting.

Sandra Bell and her team for providing raffle items at the January meeting.

Happy Birthday to You! February

7 Susan Passmore
17 Sandra Bell
21 Nancy Bolding
23 Adrienne Tesar
24 Laura Pledger
27 Mona Bonds

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 education worldwide.

Next Meeting
February 10, 2022
St. John Catholic Church
800 West Baker Road
4:30 p.m.- Bring Auction Items
5:00 p.m. – Meeting Begins

Our Journey to Support Educators

Scholarship Auction

Auction to raise funds for scholarships for students and members, and for Gamma Nu projects

4:30-5:00 - Bring your auction items **early** to give the auction committee time to label and set them out. We want members to have time to view them **before** auction begins.

5:00-5:15 – Members are encouraged to partake of refreshments as we meet. This will allow us to finish the meeting and have plenty of time for the auction.

Refreshments – Melissa Lindsey's Team

AUCTION ITEMS- EVERYONE - Items are provided by ALL members. Please be sure to bring at least one item for the Auction or send a check for a donation to the Scholarship Fund.

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Gamma Nu Member's Bucket List

Do your Valentine's Day Shopping!

Every member of Gamma Nu should have "Gamma Nu Auction" on their Bucket List!!! If you have never attended a Gamma Nu Auction then you truly have not lived a full life!

They are fun, the auctioneer is awesome, and they are an excellent way to bring out the "best" in the members! (Just wait until two members want the same item!) You will see sides of members you did not know existed!!! Jekyll and Hyde come to mind!

So do not miss this exciting opportunity on **Thursday, February 10 at 5:00!!**

FEBRUARY AUCTION QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

This is a reminder for our newer members who might not know how the auction works.

WHERE DO THE AUCTION ITEMS COME FROM? -

--Members are asked to bring an item or two to be used for the auction.

WHO CAN BID ON AN ITEM?

- ANYONE, even if you donated the item.

CAN I BRING A GUEST AND CAN THEY BID?

- **MOST DEFINITELY!!!!**

HOW CAN I PAY FOR MY PURCHASES?

- Mona will gladly accept checks, cash (change might be limited or Venmo).

CAN I JUST MAKE A DONATION?

- That would be awesome!

WHAT IS OUR GOAL?

-We award about \$1,200 in grants and scholarships each year. These grants and scholarships are funded by the proceeds of our auction.

Please attend and help us meet our goal!

Bay Area Relay for Life

Don't forget!!!—

Gamma Nu has signed up to be a Luminary Club Team for the April 8, 2022 Relay for Life Event.

Luminaries must reach the luminary team by April 1, 2022 to be credited to Gamma Nu's Luminary Club Team.

- ❖ The minimum price for a white luminary is \$10. After April 1, the price increases to \$15. “In Memorial: names received April 1 will be placed on the Memorial Wall.
 - This year they are asking everyone to order their luminaries online. You can order them at www.relayforlife.org/bayareatx which is a secure website. Just go to the website, scroll down, and select the box which says: **Luminaria**.
 - Under **Dedicate** - Select “**Team**”. Click on “**Gamma Nu Luminary Club**”.
 - Select the type of luminaria (amount) you want to order (only one name per luminary) and then **Personalize your luminaria** (check “In Honor, In Memory, or In Support” and then add their name”.
 - Scroll down to “Add Another” if ordering more than one.
 - After adding all of them, click on “Next”. You can add an additional donation or click “No, Thanks”. Add your name, address, and email address.
 - When you are finished, go to payment information.
 - Follow the instructions for payment.
 - ❖ There will be luminary forms available at the February and March meetings. You will mail your form and check to: Bay Area Relay for Life, P.O. Box 758, Baytown, Texas 77522.
 - ❖ Be sure to write “Gamma Nu Luminary Club” in the “credit to...” box at the bottom of the form.
- Purchase a luminary for Relay 2020 and help the Gamma Nu Luminary Club “Light up the Track”!**

For the last two years, Gamma Nu has raised over \$1,000 in luminaries! Please help us reach – or go over this goal again! Your support in luminaries goes to support all of those who are fighting this dreadful disease! Let's help find a way to find a cure and end it NOW!!

Reminders

Texas State Organization Virtual Meeting

This meeting will be held on February 1, 2022. The information concerning the speakers and events is attached.

February 10 – Gamma Nu Auction

Start collecting items to bring to the Auction. Now is a great time to look for deals and steals! And don't forget to bring a friend!!

Relay for Life Luminary Form

This form is attached.

Current Membership

Look for a member you have not seen in a while and give them a call about our next meeting.

Refreshment and Raffle Teams

Be sure you know when you are responsible for Refreshments and Raffle items. Everyone needs to be sure they are contributing to Gamma Nu in more ways than just their dues! Check your Yearbook if you are unsure of your commitments.

June 15-18, 2022 – 93rd Texas State Convention in Lubbock, Texas

Start looking for your roommate and watch for more information!

July 12-16, 2022 – Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Keep your roommate from the TSO convention and travel to the beautiful, historic New Orleans!!

And BOTH conventions are in driving distance for us! How unusual and exciting! Road Trip – here we come!!

And now a word from our sponsors!!!

Information from the Legislative Committee, State Photographer,

From the Legislative Committee

Happy New Year! In 2022 the US Forum is holding the National Legislative Seminar in Washington DC. Attached is a small ad inviting members to join us for the National Legislative Seminar in DC from March 6-8, 2022. Great speakers are being planned. The ad has a QR code which links directly to our registration form. Please send this out to members of your state organization. The ad is also a perfect size for putting in newsletters or on websites. Thank you for supporting the US Forum.

From State Editor/Photographer

1. Included below is a message received concerning checking your chapter members addresses. This can be done by either chapter presidents or treasurers. I know that most of the presidents may not have visited Chapter Connect because you think it is only for the treasurers to input dues. Also, I don't think you have had much training on it. For the smaller chapters to verify addresses, I think your chapter treasurer can handle the task. For the larger chapters, I think the president and the treasurer need to work together to finish this on time. Please let me know when you have finished.

If you need help, call me.



DKG US FORUM NLS March 6-8, 2022



The US Forum Steering Committee invites you to join us in Washington D.C. for the National Legislative Seminar. Information can be found on our website: www.dkgusforum.com



STAR³ 2022!

FRIENDS, FELLOWSHIP, & FUN!



SATURDAY, March 19, 2022

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ~ 1903 Church Street ~ Galveston

8:00 AM TO 3:30 PM

(Space is limited to the first 40 who register)

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____

Chapter _____ **Area** _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____

Email _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____ **Guest** ____ **Y** ____ **N**

Please complete the registration form above, include a check for **\$30** made payable to **Theta Sigma**, (please add STAR to the memo line.) Mail to Dr. Barbara Derrick, 4214 Bolton Ave., Santa Fe, TX 77510. Registration **deadline is February 19**, or until spaces are filled. No refunds after **March 5**.

Breakfast, lunch, and a snack will be provided along with *ALL* supplies.

Everyone will have the chance to complete 4 one-block classes, 2 mini crafts, and 1 special project. There will be one double blocked pull-out project offered that will substitute for two of the regular blocked classes. There will be two one-block pull-out classes offered that will substitute for one blocked class. These special classes are limited to 15 participants each:

Regular Block Sessions: Decorative Bird Houses with cards, Zentangle, Decorative Hats, Water Color

One Block Pull-out Sessions: Music, Money Folding Gifts **Two Block Pull-out Session:** Weaving

If you would like to participate in the pull-out classes, please complete below:

____ I would like to do the music session ____ I would like to do the money folding

____ I would like to do the weaving double blocked session