



# Gamma Nus

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## President's Message

Hello Gamma Nu Sisters,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our virtual "Auction" (drawing) in February! The event was a great success thanks to everyone who donated items and bought into the drawing. We had great items, had a lot of fun, and raised a lot of money! I hope everyone was able to get through the winter storm that struck recently with little to no damage. These "unprecedented times" are truly living up to their name. In March, we will have our first business meeting of 2021. We will be hearing from Dr. Shannon Ramirez of Goose Creek CISD. She will be sharing information regarding the high school academies and the growth the district has made in this area over the past several years. I look forward to seeing everyone.

Thank you for all you do,

Nancy Bonds, Gamma Nu President



## Red Roses to .....

**Kristi Warren and Terri Cooper** for all of their help putting together the February "Auction."

**Members** who donated auction/drawing items and made our February event a success!

**Pat Thomas** for singing Happy Birthday to our sisters at the December meeting.

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The Auction Committee would like to thank you for donating so many great items for our Scholarship Auction. In spite of it's being virtual, we raised \$1,785 to use for scholarships--and it's all because of your generous support for this event. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

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## Gamma Nu Website

[www.gammanutexas.weebly.com](http://www.gammanutexas.weebly.com)

## Happy Birthday to You! March

**4** Katherine George  
**11** Billie Brinkley  
**16** Patty Russell  
**21** Paula Ellis  
**24** Kathy Littlefield  
**27** Monica O'Brien  
**31** Jan Cobb



### Next Meeting Virtual March 4, 2021 5:15 p.m. "The Key to Building a Better Tomorrow"

#### Program:

**Dr. Shannon Ramirez of GCCISD**  
 High School Academies in GCCISD

#### Refreshment/Raffle Committees –Karen Stephens and Pam Ansley's Committees

Please remember to send your donations to  
Mona Bonds via Venmo or check.

Mona Bonds  
 436 S. Burnett Dr.  
 Baytown, Texas 77520

### Reminder!!!

Don't forget you need to bring your  
check or cash for your dues - \$85. If you  
will not be at the meeting, please send  
to: Mona Bonds,  
 436 S. Burnett  
 Baytown, Texas 77520

## Bay Area Relay for Life

May 14, 2021 – 6:PM – Midnight

Gamma Nu has signed up to be a Luminary Club Team  
for the May 14, 2021 Relay for Life Event.

Luminaries must reach the luminary team by (Date  
to be announced!) to be credited to Gamma Nu's  
Luminary Club Team.

- ❖ The minimum price for a white luminary is \$10. After the deadline, the price increases to \$15. "In Memorial: names received before the deadline will be placed on the Memorial Wall.
- This year we are asking everyone to order their luminaries online. You can order them at [www.relayforlife.org/bayareatx](http://www.relayforlife.org/bayareatx) which is a secure website. Just go to the website, scroll down, and select the box which says: **Luminaria**.
- Under **Whose Relay Fundraising efforts will your donation support?** Select **"Team"**.
- Type **Gamma Nu Luminary Club** in the box and click **Search**.
- Click on our team name when it appears.
- Select the type of luminaria you want to order (only one name per luminary) and then **Personalize your luminaria**.
- Under **"What would you like to say?"** please put only **"From"** and your name or the person it is from.
- Order additional Luminaria or click **"Next"**. When you are finished, go to payment information.
- Follow the instructions for payment.
- ❖ All Luminary purchases will be done with a credit card.
  - ❖ Be sure to write **"Gamma Nu Luminary Club"** in the **"credit to..."** box at the bottom of the form. **Purchase a luminary for Relay 2021 and help the Gamma Nu Luminary Club "Light up the Track"!**
  - ❖ Last year our goal was \$500 and we collected \$1,001! Can we beat \$1,001 this year? Of course we can!!!

### 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.

## Convention Information from Area III:

### 2021 TSO 92nd STATE CONVENTION

#### **“Unlock the Possibilities”**

Last spring the TSO Executive Board had to make the very difficult and heart wrenching decision cancel the TSO State Convention in McAllen. We have worn our masks, socially distanced, stayed in place, eaten outside, ordered take out, not gathered in crowds larger than 10, and zoomed meetings and classes. Through the dedication and efforts of all of us, we will “Unlock the Possibilities” at the 2021 TSO 92<sup>nd</sup> in Denton on June 17<sup>th</sup> – June 19<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward, in eager anticipation, to playing “Who’s Behind the Mask?”, air hugging and reconnecting with friends and colleagues, visiting vendors, learning, and, most importantly, celebrating the resilience and traditions of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and TSO.

The link below provides information about Denton and the convention. To get it to open, follow these directions! (This is for all of us “dummies” who need constant tutoring on how to do these things!)

- Highlight the “2021 Convention Website”
- Hold down the “ctrl” button
- Then click your left mouse button
- It takes it a little bit to open, so be patient!!
- If it does not work – call Nancy or Kristi – they are a lot more tech savvy than me!

[2021 Convention Website](#)

Or

[www.dkgtexas2021convention.weebly.com](http://www.dkgtexas2021convention.weebly.com)

**High Notes / Grace Notes**

**Members** who had damage to their homes during the Storm.

**To the many** who stepped up to assist those in need!

**Margaret Ehlig** – whose sister passed away.

Continue to pray for an end to COVID, for those who are ill, and the families of those who have passed away!