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President's Message

Gamma Nu Sisters,

Thank you to everyone who participated in our yearly auction. The evening was full of fun, food, and great fellowship. The bidding wars are always exciting and we raised over \$1,400 (to date \$1,693.00). Our next meeting is March 9th at Stuart Career Technical High School. Prepare to be amazed at all this school has to offer students!

Thank you for all you do,

Kristi Warren, Gamma Nu President



Red Roses to

- **Pat Thomas** and her committee for a great Scholarship Auction!
- **Kay Hill** and her team for providing refreshments!
- **LeAnn Gardner** for being our Auctioneer in the absence of Mary Jane Ethridge!
- **To all the Members** for providing items for our successful auction!

Pat Thomas is sending Red Roses to:

- **Brenda J. Clem** for all her help in including the Relay for Life Luminary information in the Gamma Nus!
- **To the Gamma Nu Members** who have purchased at least one Luminary to help us reach our goal and to assist in reaching the Relay for Life goal!

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Happy Birthday to You!
March

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.

- 4** Katherine George
- 5** Yolanda Irby-Smith
- 11** Billie Brinkley
- 16** Patty Russell
- 18** Amy Henderson
- 21** Paula Ellis
- 24** Kathy Littlefield
- 27** Monica O'Brien



Next Meeting
March 9, 2023
5:15 p.m.

"The Key to Building a Better Tomorrow"

Program: Our Journey through Goose Creek's College and Career Readiness:

Oh, the Places They'll Go!

Stuart Career Tech High School
300 YMCA Drive
Baytown, Texas

Refreshments provided by Karen Stephens' Committee

Raffle items provided by Mary Jane Ethridge's Committee

Please remember if you cannot fulfill your obligation to these committees, please send your donations to Mona Bonds via Venmo or check.

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

Reminder!!!

- * Gamma Nu dues are \$85 and are due by June 1.**
- * You can pay with Venmo, cash or check (make the check out to Gamma Nu).**
- * Mona will accept payment at the March or April meetings or the banquet.**
- * Or mail them to her at:**
436 S Burnett Dr
Baytown, 77520

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TO ALL OUR GAMMA NU "BIG SPENDERS"!

Thank you **SO MUCH** for braving the cold and finding your way to E. F. Green Junior School to participate in the Gamma Nu February Scholarship Auction. You not only donated a wonderful assortment of items for the auction, but you opened your hearts AND your checkbooks as well and helped us raise an amazing **\$1,693.00** for our Scholarship Fund! **AND WE ALL HAD SO MUCH FUN!!!**

A special thanks goes to Auction Committee Co-chairman LeeAnn Gardner for stepping in to substitute as the auctioneer for our ailing "famous auctioneer" Mary Jane Ethridge. LeeAnn did a **FANTASTIC JOB!** Thanks, too, to Auction Committee members Sandra Bell, Roseanna Henrichsen, Kathy Clausen, and Katherine George for their help in conducting the auction and making things go so smoothly.

Also, a special thanks goes to Green Assistant Principal Michelle Jackson for showing Sandra Bell and me around the school and helping us make decisions about the best location for the auction—and to everyone who helped clean up after the meeting was over.

Thanks again, to all of you for another successful Scholarship Auction!

Pat Thomas
Auction Co-chairman

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Bay Area Relay for Life

April 14, 2023 – 6:PM – Midnight
Wayne Gray Sports Complex
Gamma Nu has signed up to be a Luminary Club Team
for the April 14, 2023 Relay for Life Event.

Important Update!

To “kick off” the sale of Luminaries and to “light up the track” at Relay 2023, the Relay Leads issued this challenge to Team Captains. **LET’S SELL AT LEAST 300 LUMINARIES ONLINE BY MARCH 7TH!** The challenge is for a total of 300 from all the teams together. Luminary sales are always slow until nearer the Relay. They are just trying to “kick off” luminary sales! Right now, there are only 33 teams. Gamma Nu has registered to be a Luminary Club this year, so, if each of our members purchases at least one, we can really make a difference - - and assist in reaching our goal by ordering some luminaries online in the next two weeks by March 7!! If you have friends or family members who might like to honor someone by ordering a Luminary, and also help Gamma Nu support the ACS Bay Area Relay for Life, just forward this email to them and tell them to follow the directions.

As of Monday, February 27th, 10 Gamma Nu members have donated \$577! I know we can make it to \$1,000 by March 7th!

Thanks so much. Pat Thomas

Directions for ordering luminaries online are included below.

All Luminary sales must reach the luminary team by April 7, 2023 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 by April 7th will be placed on the Digital Memorial Wall.
 - This year we 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 a Luminaria**, select “**Team**”. Type **Gamma Nu Luminary Club** in the box and click **Search**.
 - Click on **Gamma Nu Luminary Club** when it appears.
 - 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.)
 - Click **Next** and you can review your order.
 - Scroll down to **Add Another** to add another name if you are ordering more than one.
 - After adding all of the names you want to order, click on **Next**. Add your billing and payment information.
 - Click **Purchase**.
- ❖ All Luminary purchases will be done with a credit card.
- ❖ Luminary Forms are also available to download on the Relay Website! Be sure to write “Gamma Nu Luminary Club” in the “credit to...” box at the bottom of the form.
- ❖ Purchase a luminary for Relay 2023 and help the Gamma Nu Luminary Club “Light up the Track”!
- ❖ **Last year our goal was \$1,000 and we collected \$1,501! Can we beat \$1,501 this year? Of course, we can!!!**

STAR³ 2023!

FRIENDS, FELLOWSHIP, & FUN!



REGISTRATION

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023

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 above information and mail this form along with a check for **\$30** made payable to **Theta Sigma**. Please write STAR3 in the memo line. No Refunds after March 5.

Mail both to:
Barbara Coon
10918 Sageburrow Drive
Houston, TX 77089

Breakfast, lunch, and snack will be provided along all supplies for the projects. Just bring your scissors and we will take care of the rest. Hope to see you April 1, No Fooling!

For information contact Barbara Derrick at BLSDerrick@aol.com

High Notes / Grace Notes

Grace Notes

Sisters – who are quietly in needed of prayers.

The victims and families – who are affected daily by gun violence and its aftermath.

High Notes

Leighton Littlefield is healing well. He is home and doing therapy at home until his next appointment on March 15th. Thanks for all the prayers.



Updates

- **Earbud Distribution** – This is going well and pictures are coming soon! Every Social Studies Junior School class in Goose Creek is receiving a class set of 30 earbuds!
- **Gamma Nu/Epsilon Psi Banquet** – The banquet will be held on May 11th at Floyd's Restaurant in Mont Belvieu. There is a private banquet room. More details to follow!
- **Please remember** to purchase your luminaries **BEFORE** March 7th in order to assist with reaching the Relay goal of 300!