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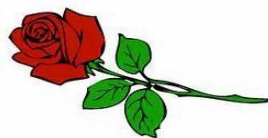
## President's Message

Hello Gamma Nu Sisters,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our October meeting! We heard from a local nurse and Baytown resident, Kevyn Bieschke, who works at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital. It was such a pleasure to hear her personal story, updates on the hospital, and how we can support frontline workers.

At our upcoming November meeting, we will be welcoming several new ladies, and I couldn't be more excited! These new members come highly recommended and will be adding such value to Gamma Nu. Even though our induction will look different this year, I expect it to be fantastic. We will also have updates on Storybook Christmas and Relay for Life, as well as a special surprise from the Music Committee!

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



## Red Roses to .....

**Kay Hill and the Bylaws Committee** for helping and assisting with making electronic voting happen for new members this year.

**Melissa Lindsey** for doing an awesome job with recruitment and membership! We have several lovely ladies who will be joining us soon.

**Nedra Bradley** for providing piano music for the Chapter Collect and Response.

**Margaret Ehlig and her family** for singing and creating the Chapter Collect and Response in a form that could be shared at meetings.

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## Happy Thanksgiving!

To all of our Gamma Nu members  
and their families!

May this time of sharing be a  
reminder to all of us of the blessings  
and freedoms which we enjoy every  
year. Let us not forget to be thankful  
for those who serve in the Armed  
Forces to safeguard these freedoms!



## Happy Birthday to You! November

1-Barbara Culp  
9- Carolyn James  
11-Elizabeth Roan  
Betty Baca  
18-Kathy Clausen

## Next Meeting Thursday November 12, 2020

The meeting will be virtual on WebEx.

**New Member Induction:**  
The Key from Yesterday to Tomorrow

**Schedule for the evening:**  
5:15 - Log onto WebEx for the virtual  
meeting.

## *New Member Orientation*

### A message from Melissa Lindsey:

New Member Orientation is coming up soon- Monday, November 2, at 5:30 (Please see attachments for details, and I will email you a link/invite to the WebEx meeting). I will need the assistance of the new member sponsors, and other members who have helped me in the past.

Executive Board, while you are not required to attend orientation, you are all more than welcome to join us!

Melissa Lindsey  
Gamma Nu Membership Chairperson

### **Gamma Nu Bylaws Change Recommendation**

Under Article III - Membership of our current Bylaws, there is no provision for electronic voting. Therefore, the Bylaws Committee has met and recommends the following:

The Gamma Nu Bylaws Committee recommends that Article III - Membership, Section

B - New Members, # 4b, be amended by adding the following:

"Voting may be by mail (postal or electronic), or in an electronic meeting that provides a valid receipt of each responding member's vote."

If approved, # 4b would read as follows:

"Voting shall be by the four-fifths method. (New members shall be elected by four-fifths of the members present and voting.) Voting may be by mail (postal or electronic), or

in an electronic meeting that provides a valid receipt of each responding member's vote."

Rationale: This addition would align Article III - Membership with the voting procedures that are already established in Articles VII, VIII, and IX of our Bylaws. Because this recommendation comes from a committee, there is no second needed. A Bylaws change requires two readings at two separate meetings prior to the vote. The first reading occurred at the October meeting. The second reading will occur at the November meeting and will be followed by a vote of members present.

## ***November Meeting***

Our November 12th meeting will be dedicated to the induction of our seven new members.

Please join us virtually at 5:15 to begin our induction. President Nancy Bonds will send an email with log in information!

**Duties are:**

**Refreshment and Raffle Items:**

Please be sure if you are on one of these teams that you sent your donation to Mona Bonds. (See more info below).

**Collect & Response – Kay Hill**

## **Reminder!!!**

If you haven't voted, please remember to do so! Teachers – current or retired – have a lot to gain by voting for candidates who are willing to work for our benefits. Our health insurance, TRS, and Windfall may be adversely affected by those who say they are friendly to teachers – but really are not.

**Teachers have the ability to greatly influence the vote!**



## **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.

### **Raffle and Refreshment Committees**

This year, when a virtual meeting occurs, we are asking the refreshment and raffle teams to give a donation in place of the money they would have spent on purchasing refreshments or a raffle item. You can send your donation via Venmo (@Mona-Bonds), check (give/send to Mona Bonds), or cash (give/send to Mona Bonds). Our raffle proceeds go toward Schools for Africa, Story Book Christmas, and Women's Storybook Project of Texas.

In October, 2020, we collected \$45 from our Refreshments and Raffle Teams.

What a great idea our new Board had for how to continue to fund our projects!

### **Remind!!!**

Here is how to sign up by text!!

-Text 81010 as the number

-In the message line, put  
@96d8kc8

-This will sign you up!!

### *High Notes/Grace Notes*

#### **High Notes**

- **Karen Stephens** has been awarded "The Early Bird Award" and the "Exemplary Award" for the Chapter Yearbook.
- **Adela Pirzadeh's** family has been blessed with a grandson. Their son Amir and wife Sara Beth have Atreus (Trey) Pirzadeh who was born October 3. They are giving thanks to God for this blessing!
- Our third Virtual Meeting was awesome!

#### **Grace Notes**

- Our love, prayers, and thoughts go to **Mary Jane Ethridge** in the loss of her best friend, confidant, and love of her life – Reggie!
- Prayers for those involved in the Wildfires and Hurricanes!