



Delta Gamma Update

Serving Women Educators in Sabine, San Augustine, and Shelby Counties
Area 1

Key Women Educators
Impacting Education
Worldwide

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Madeline Gill

President's Message

September is the month that marks the beginning of the fall season, and for many, it is also the start of a new school year. At this time of the school year, it is also a time of celebration and for new beginnings and making new goals.

Going to school in the new year is a fun thing, and possibly a scary one, for everyone.

Depending on the grade, students are excited to shop for new clothes, new backpacks, new notebooks, school supplies, and planning what to wear on that important first day. Let's not forget the extracurricular activities like band, football, cheerleading, and the dance team. Also, the excitement of homecoming and all the activities planned for that week. In thinking of the beginning of the school year, I believe this poem sums it up:

ALMOST TIME FOR SCHOOL

Up spoke an animal of the wild:
"Soon I must scurry underground
Where all winter I can be found."
"I'm off to the South," said a tiny bird,
And not again was her sweet song heard.
"Why did they go?" Is your demand.
Because Queen August has lifted her hand.

By Lenore Hetrick

So, lets pack our bags for the Journey and strive for this year to be our best yet. See everyone in Hemphill on September 12 th .

JOURNEY - Which way will you go?

September Meeting

6:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church, Hemphill



On the Scene of 9/11

Speaker: Jackie Bell

-FBI Fingerprint Specialist

-Dept of Homeland Security Project Manager

Invocation: Sandra Butler

Meditation: Ellen Mills

Courtesy contact: Sandra Butler 936-275-7584

Salad supper provided by Hemphill and San Augustine. Please call in the number attending including any guests. Members are welcome to invite guests to share this program.

Treasurers Report

July - August 2022



Checking Account

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Previous Balance..... | \$3079.35 |
| Deposits..... | \$268.00 |
| Dues: | \$255.00 |
| Area wkshop reg: | \$13.00 |
| Checks/Debits..... | \$2187.50 |
| International Dues: | \$1120.00 |
| TSO: | \$687.00 |
| State mtg expenses: | \$400.00 |
| Chapter award pins:..... | \$79.50 |

Current Balance.....\$1159.85

Grant / Aid

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|------------------------|-----------|
| Previous Balance..... | \$2070.44 |
| Deposits..... | -0- |
| Interest earned..... | -0- |
| Current Balance..... | \$2070.44 |
| Account maintaine..... | \$200.00 |
| Spendable amount..... | \$1870.44 |

Note: Those who paid pre registration for the Area Workshop will be reimbursed at the September meeting.

Billie Bailey

Billie says that she is very low key these days. However, she says she likes:

- to be involved in church, where she plays piano.
- to have company and to cook.
- to be with her family, especially great grandchildren

The High Points in her life have been:

- marriage
- birth of her children
- watching her children grow up
- years of teaching
- joy of Delta Gamma.

Billie says she has served on just about all committees, except finance. She has been president and has received her 50-year pin. She is serving as parliamentarian this year.

Fannie Watson

In honor Panola College's 75th anniversary, the college is featuring 75 alumni who attended Panola.

Fannie Watson/1948-1950/Panola Student

Fannie Watson graduated from Tenaha High School in 1948. She began attending Panola College in the second semester of its existence and was a member of the very first Green Jackets. She also served on the staff of The Pony Express and the yearbook.

After earning her Associate of Arts in 1950, Watson went on to complete bachelor's and master's degrees at Stephen F. Austin State University and later enjoyed a successful 50-year teaching career.

Watson served four years as an officer of the Panola College Alumni Association and was an active member of the Panola College Foundation Board for several years for several years.

Activities

Summer Workshop 2022

Nora Robinson, Fannie Watson, Judy Atkison, Tommie Thomas, Phyllis Griffin



Elaine Snider, Tammy Sparks, Wendy Watson, Phyllis Griffin, Nora Robinson, Fannie Watson, Becky Wiggins, Judy Adkinson

Fannie Watson is giving the meditation.



Nora Robinson given Chapter Achievement Award



Nora Robinson, Fannie Watson, Carol McMillan



Nora Robinson was initiated into The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International in Louisiana in 1988. After some years, she transferred from that chapter to Tau chapter and later to Iota Iota chapter in Texas.

She has had the opportunity to teach in many more school districts than most of us. She shared her knowledge, expertise and caring nature with special education students for 35 years in Carthage, Mansfield, LA, Teague, Colonial Heights, VA, Little Elm ISD and then in Center from 2008 to 2013, when she retired. She transferred her membership to Delta Gamma chapter when she moved back to the area. She became chairman of many committees, held many offices and was an outstanding president in the 2016-2018 biennium. She is always ready to take on almost any challenge that arises. When those who led our music so faithfully for many years could no longer do so, she became our song leader, along with many other duties.

Nora was presented her Chapter Achievement Award pin at the May meeting.

Minutes

Delta Gamma
Monday July 11, 2022
Phyllis Griffin's Lake House

- Members in attendance: President Madeline Gill, Billie Bailey, Nora Robinson, Wendy Watson Phyllis Griffin, Becky Wiggins, Tommie Thomas, Tammy Sparks, Judy Adkison, Fannie Watson, and Elaine Snider.
- Recognition: A special thank you was extended to Phyllis Griffin, for opening up her lovely lake house, and providing a delicious afternoon snack for us to enjoy.
- Call to Order: Our summer workshop of Delta Gamma was held on July 11, 2022. The meeting was called to order by President Madeline Gill at 2:02 in the afternoon. Judy Adkison gave our invocation.
- Approval of Minutes: With no corrections or discussion being made, the May 2022 minutes were approved as printed/published in our newsletter. They will be filed as printed as well.
- Approval of Financial Report: Tommie Thomas presented everyone with an up-to-date, year-end financial report, along with a recent monthly report. She stated our yearly balance is large due to membership dues checks not being yet cleared. She also asked everyone to check personal information in handbook for accuracy. When information is not correct, a cost is incurred with mailing fees, both locally and at State level. Tommie also announced 5 members had paid to attend our Area 1 workshop which will be held on Aug. 6, 2022. Registration for the workshop is still open to attendees. With no more discussion, Becky Wiggins made the motion to approve our report as printed. Billie Bailey seconded the motion.
- TSO 2022 Convention Update: Madeline Gill gave a very quick update on the state convention. She stated a large amount of donations collected for both our Unifying Project and Uvalde school crisis. Chapter recognitions were also announced. She also shared many changes will be being made to DKG International Bylaws. The updates will need to be made in our chapter rules as soon as information is given from TSO.

General Overview:

- Carol McMillan, First Vice President, has our programs lined out for the year 2022-2023. If you have any suggestions or ideas for programs you would like to see added, please feel free to send them to Carol by our September meeting.
- Center I and Center II asked if their hostess groups could be combined due to number of participants. They will continue to host two separate locations. It was agreed to allow this.
- Without any changes being made, locations of our meetings will remain the same based on hostess group. This information, along with committees, will be given out at the September meeting.
- Fannie Watson, Archives Committee Chairman, ask members to think about suggestions on how to store or what to do with past president's notebooks. These items require a lot of storage space. No one was able to come up with a solution at this time.
- Vickie Beall had a July birthday.
- It was also shared Mike Bordelon, Linda Bordelon's husband, recently passed away.

In the absence of Sylvia Jackson, Fannie Watson gave our meditation. Nora led us in the Delta Gamma song.

The meeting was adjourned by President Madeline Gill.

Madeline Gill President

Wendy Watson

Recording Secretary