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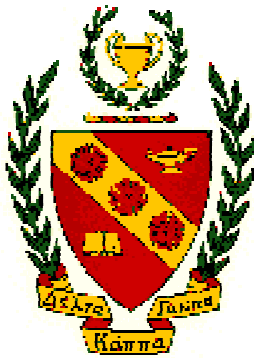
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The Delta Kappa
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Area III

Beta Eta Chapter
Chapter 55

Texas State
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A Message From Our President

The new school year is off and running. The first few weeks are busy and chaotic, but it's worth seeing all those smiling faces!

It was great seeing some of our members at the Area III Workshop on Saturday, August 28th at North Shore Middle School in Galena Park ISD. I want to thank **Barbara Johnson, Ellen Laughlin, Phyllis McCulloch, Martha McCulloch, Norma Plaisance** (and her daughter), **Janette Musachia, Betty Jo Watts, Kimberly Birkelbach, Reita Olmstead, Betty Boone, Carla Smith, Bennie Partain, Mary Ann Crabb, and Barbara June Allen** for attending the workshop. Beta Eta was well represented!

We had a great time visiting with other DKG members. **Kimberly Birkelbach** and **Janette Musachia** presented workshops that day. Red Roses go out to **Betty Jo Watts** and her committee for the beautiful Memorial Service. The following members received their 25 years of service award at the workshop: **Barbara June Allen, Phyllis McCulloch, and Bennie Partain.**

We will be working with the Ridgemont Early Childhood Center again this year. Each month we will be collecting different types of school supplies for the center. At our September 11th meeting, we will be collecting supplies, such as: pencils, paper, crayons, markers, glue, etc.

Also, each month we will be collecting money to send to the center. In February, we are planning to have our monthly meeting at Ridgemont. I am very excited to see how the center is doing!

In November, we will be having an initiation ceremony. If you know of anyone that would like to join, please bring them to our September or October meeting. I am very excited to announce that we will be initiating an Honorary member this year!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone on September 11th!

See you soon!
Annette

SEPTEMBER MEETING

DATE: September 11, 2010

TIME: 09:30 - 12:00

**PLACE: Bellaire UMC
Parlor**

*Live simply, love generously,
care deeply, speak kindly,
and leave the rest to God.*

Send articles for newsletter or comments to:
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MONEY MATTERS

Beta Eta was well represented at the recent Area III workshop held at North Shore Middle School in Galena Park ISD. What a wonderful way to begin the new biennium!

The time has come to pay your 2010-11 dues. For those unable to attend the September 11th meeting, please send a check for **\$73.00** payable to **BETA ETA** to:

Ellen Laughlin
2119 Tall Ships Drive
Friendswood, TX 77546

Be an “*early bird*” and pay your dues before that date. It would be awesome to announce at our September meeting that all the dues have been paid for 2010-11.

At the September meeting, I will have the BH (Beta Eta) key pin guards that were ordered by request. Payment is due upon receipt. If there is interest, I will place another order after the September meeting. Since shipping cost is divided among those ordering, the more items, the less shipping will be paid by each..

I look forward to seeing everyone at the September 11th meeting.

Ellen Laughlin
 Treasurer

Beta Eta members are encouraged to bring **SCHOOL SUPPLIES** to both the September and October meetings. These school supplies will be de-

livered to the Ridgemont Early Learning Center after the meetings.

For those of you who wish to avoid the crowds, you are welcome to give or send a check to **Ellen** and/or drop \$\$ in container marked “Ridgemont” at our meetings. A check from Beta Eta will be given to the Center at our February meeting.

Ellen

PROGRAM NEWS

Welcome back to all of you **Beta Eta ladies!** The summer always seems to pass much too quickly. It will be fun to share our summer experiences at our September meeting.

President **Annette** has many things to share with us at our first business meeting. I hope each of you can be a part of the planning and fun on Saturday, September 11, at Bellaire UMC.

We once again will be supporting Ridgemont Early Childhood Center, and in September and October we will be collecting Pre-K supplies for the Center. While school supplies are relatively inexpensive at this time, please consider purchasing some of the following items and bring them with you to our meetings.

Some suggestions are:
 8 color crayons, watercolors, 4 oz. plastic bottles of glue, pencils, Fiskar scissors, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, paper towels, and pocket folders with brads.

Thank you, **Ladies!** If you do not have time to pick up any supplies, we will also be collecting money to purchase these supplies. See you on 9/11!!!

Barbara Johnson
 First Vice-President

Introducing OUR NEW MEMBER

Our newest member is **Jean Warner!** **Jean** was born in Temple, Texas and attended Elementary and Junior High there. Her father was transferred to Galveston where she graduated from Ball High School.

Jean did her graduate work at Baylor University in Waco. She taught 5th and 6th grades in Oates Elementary in HISD and then worked for Tennessee Life Insurance Company for a number of years. When **Jean** returned to the classroom, she taught 5th and 2nd grades at Genoa Elementary in PISD.

Jean has a dog and cat to keep her company as well as busy! She does love taking care of Gracie, the dog, and Simba, the cat.

She is active in her church. In her Sunday School Class at Sagemont Church, she is the Outreach Leader. In her spare time, she loves to read and work in her yard—when it is a little cooler.

Jean Warner:
 11863 Keystone Spring Way
 Houston 77089
 281.536.4046

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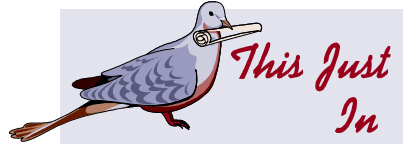
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Kathy Doyle is our new Yearbook Chairman! If you have ever worked on a yearbook, you know it is fun, but also hard work to get it all together. She wants to have them ready by our October meeting!

At our September meeting, **Kathy** will be there with a camera in her hand to take your picture. She plans to have a pictorial directory for us.

If you do not plan to attend in September, and this is very important, **you must send her a picture of yourself.**

If you have a digital camera, you can take your picture, put it in the computer and send it to her email. That would be the best way to do it. However, if you do not use email, then look for one of your school pictures. I am sure you have one of those around somewhere. Mail it to:

**Kathy Doyle
8110 Azure Brook
Houston, 77089**

Take care of this the minute you read this newsletter.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY**AUGUST**

08 *Brenda Whaley*
11 *Phyllis McCulloch*
20 *Janette Musachia*

SEPTEMBER

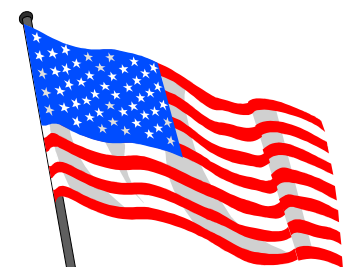
08 *Linda Andersen*
13 *Martha McCulloch*
18 *Peggy Jordon*
29 *Barbara June Allen*
30 *Mary Grace Randerson*
30 *Gloria Price*

SEPTEMBER HOSTESSES

Annette Taylor: Chairman



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Bennie Partain



September 11, 2001

A date to always remember

God Bless America

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Barbara Johnson is so excited! She has a new grand baby on the way, and he will be called Max!

Diane McLaughlan had knee replacement surgery August 9th and is doing well. She has had therapy at home and will have to go a rehabilitation center to continue her therapy.

Marilyn Speer is continuing to have therapy at M. D. Anderson. She is at home.

Alline Payne hopes to be at the September meeting, but she still has not tried to drive with the oxygen on.

Mary Ann Crabb attended the workshop and rang the bell during the Necrology Ceremony. It was great that she was able to come.

Lou Tripett's husband, Kelly, was recently released from the hospital. At this time he is at home. Please keep Lou and her family in your thoughts and prayers, as Kelly's health is declining.

Our own **Kimberly** has just received a promotion. She is now Instructional Specialist in Language Arts at Warren Elementary. We are proud of you, Kim!!

Ellen Laughlin has a new camera, and she took pictures at the workshop. She sent them to me for this newsletter. Don't think I need names. **Betty** and **Carla** had to leave early and so they missed being in the pic-

These pictures were made in Waco at the Alpha State Convention in June, courtesy of Annette Taylor. In this one: Betty Jo Watts, Kathy Doyle, Janette Musachia, Ellen Laughlin, Ann Anthony in the back row and in the front row, Annette Taylor, our new president and Kim Birkelbach.



Annette Taylor and her mother, Paulette Prada



Kim Birkelbach and Betty Jo Watts



ture. We really did have a great crowd at the Workshop. Beta Eta always has good attendance at Area Workshops! More pictures page 5.

