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Dear Zeta Tau Sisters,

November with its cooler temperatures is finally here.  Thank you for attending the October meeting.  We hope you enjoyed the Corner Bakery.  Although neither of us were able to be at that meeting, we heard that it was really special.  There was lots of discussion about human trafficking.  We need to keep our eyes and ears open because these things are happening all around us.  We need to be aware.

Our "awesome auction" in November was a great success.  We had excellent attendance and several visitors.  As usual there was much fun and competitive bidding.  Our auctioneers, Sharon Sharadin and Sandy Schneider, did a fabulous job of making each item desirable. Therefore we made $1,000.00! Way to go!

Upcoming event will be our Christmas Party at Sharon Sharadin's home, 806 Greenbelt Dr., Houston, 77079.  Her home phone is [281-493-6028](tel:281-493-6028).  Remember to bring a gift of approximately $15 to exchange. Retired teachers will be preparing the food for the party and the member cost will be $10.

"Traveling Annie" will be getting lots of travel during the month of November with your Presidents.  She is going on a Caribbean Cruise and a week in Branson.  We know that many of you will be traveling over the holidays, so be sure to take "Traveling Annie" with you and take pictures to send to Diana for our website.

Paula and Dora

# Presidents’ Corner

**Paula Ely & Dora Aschenbeck, Chapter Presidents**

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** DKG**

**Expand the Vision: Educate, Inspire, Encourage**

**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.

**Next Meeting: DECEMBER 4th @ Sharon Sheridan 806 Greenbelt Houston, 77079**



STATE CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

By: Pat Osborne

Eight members of Zeta Tau travelled to Lubbock Texas for the 85th TSO State Convention.

These were the members in attendance: Mary Ann Slaughter, Paula Ely, Julie Eisenhauer, Elke Sass, Lorena Zertuche, Dora Ashenbeck, Terrie Cardwell, and Pat Osborne. Keynote speaker, Katherine Hatcher, addressed how our wardrobe and our appearances speak about our persona. We had an entertaining opening night, a wonderful selection of breakout sessions, and the chance to connect with lots of new and returning friends. The best part about convention is the connections you make. Elke and Lorena sang in the chorus. Pat awarded State Achievement Awards at the Birthday luncheon and Paula and Dora double-teamed the President’s Training. All, not to mention a lot of good eating too, had a good time! Next year, you too can “drive” to the brand new Grand Hyatt in San Antonio in June. Begin to think about it seriously, right now!

International

Highlights

Pat Osborne was the only Zeta Tau member who attended the International Convention in Indianapolis. It was a very well attended convention. The total attendance was 1,200 people from all over the states as well as from the 16 countries that have chapters. Most excited to be in attendance was the newest nation, Japan. They had an incredible Soprano singer who sang for us. We had a speaker who addressed the problems of Human Trafficking that is plaguing the United States. Although not a warm and fuzzy topic, it was amazingly informing. We realized that all over the U.S., chapters are aware of serious problems in their hometowns. Ron Rosenberg, taught all 1,200 of us how to remember things more clearly and how to match a name to a face. Opening night we had a local Indiana pop band, who had all the audience up and dancing in the aisles. You really must treat yourself to an International Convention someday. It so broadens your view of DKG. The next opportunity you will have is in 2016 in Nashville, Tennessee. Now how can you resist?

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Money, money, money!

Alpha State has money it wants to give you.  Go to <http://www.alphastatetexas.org/> and look up scholarships information.   There is a March 1 deadline and you have to download an application and get a letter from your chapter or possibly your supervisor, so it takes some pre thought and planning.  You can't wait until the last week.

There are scholarships for Graduate credit for 3, 6, or 9 hours.   There is an Adult Education Scholarship for $500.00. There are Doctoral scholarships as well.  If you like to travel and want to tie it to your curriculum, there is the Maetha Griffin Weatherby Educational Travel Scholarship.  Each of these scholarships have individual criteria, so you MUST go to the website and explore them.

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**Zeta Tau has a web page……WHAT????**

**You read correctly!!! Thanks to Diana Apsey for creating our amazing page!! What a wonderful Webmaster!!! Please, make sure that you have read her email and filled out the consent form otherwise you can’t be featured on our site! If you have any questions, comments, concerns, or ideas that you would like to see on the page….send her an email:**

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**We want the world to know how awesome Zeta Tau and DKG are. Spread the word!**

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**INTRODUCING**

**The ever lovely and talented…**

**HELEN FULTON**

Helen Fulton came to Spring Branch in February of 1943 as an applicant for a teaching position.  She was the only applicant with a degree.  There were no vacancies, but shortly a board member called to offer her the opportunity.  Spring Branch only consisted of 9 grade levels and 8 classrooms; high school students went to Lamar High School in HISD.

After five years experience, she was initiated into the Delta Kappa Gamma Society in 1950, Beta Eta chapter, where she became President of that chapter.  In 1962, when Zeta Tau was formed she became a charter member of that chapter and later served as President for that group as well.  Helen served as Area Coordinator, served on scholarship committees for 6 years and the State Achievement Committee in 1973.  She has been an inspiration to many through her years as an educator and member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!!!**

Ana Vazao - Nov. 02

Cheryll Ownby - Nov.10

Terrie Cardwell - Nov. 11

Coye Emmons - Nov. 20

Grace Harrington - Nov. 30