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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



YOU are the key



Editor's Note: All clipart is from Microsoft Office®, Alpha State Texas Website and from DKG website; photos are provided by Theta Epsilon members.

Elizabeth! Her memorial service will be Saturday, August 22, 10 a.m. at First Evangelical Presbyterian Church (1219 8th St, Levelland).

Editor's note from Juanice Tyson: Thank you for allowing me to be your Newsletter Editor for the past several years, it has been a pleasure. JayEllen Wilson will be taking up the reins.

Therefore, our next meeting will actually be DKG Area 12 Workshop on September 19. This will be a virtual meeting and there will be no cost. Let's get as many people as possible to participate. More information is included with this newsletter. Make a plan to participate in part, if not all. As a link becomes available, we will forward that to members. Our very own Deborah Payne is included on the agenda for this meeting.



Hello DKG Friends,

How in the world do I begin this newsletter? Perhaps I can ask some questions. Who would have ever thought that we would get out of school for spring break and never return to really finish the school year? Aren't educators awesome in that they can be teaching face-to-face one week and virtually the next to students without devices and internet? How many of you have a bevy of face coverings? Yes, times are different, but we are still (and will always be) about educating kids.

After that, our next meeting is: SPC: An Evening of Cosmetology. This is scheduled for Monday, October 5, 2020. We will meet at the cosmetology department and have a brief meeting at 5 p.m. followed by salon services from 5:30 to 8:30. If you missed this the last time we did it two years ago, you will NOT want to miss it this time. Treat yourself! Last time, I talked through my whole facial, pedicure and manicure. Can't wait to do it again! (Every October, our meetings will highlight a program in one of our counties schools.)

The other thing I have figured out is: we can make the most of this time or let it wear us out. Let's all agree to make the most of it.

We have not planned meetings beyond that. Do you have an idea? Please, PLEASE share your ideas and thoughts with us. It is much easier to put all ideas into place than dream up our own. Likewise, do you have any new member possibilities? Please send those to us. Just reply to this newsletter E-mail and we will get the information.

We had a meeting scheduled for Saturday, August 22 and fully intended to meet, have our meal and recognize a scholarship recipient—all while socially distancing, of course. That day was then chosen to celebrate the life of one of our very own members, Elizabeth Holder. We have chosen to celebrate

Juanice Tyson has been doing a beautiful newsletter for years. JayEllen Wilson has willingly accepted this role in our chapter. Thank you to both of these ladies! All members doing their part is what makes this group strong!

Another thing . . . Ashley Davis has been a key member in maintaining our Theta Epsilon website. A new requirement is a website release from all members. This will be attached to this newsletter. You can sign and return electronically, print & sign and return, or however you can get it returned BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1. **Please make a note to take care of this before that date. Please don't make us call and remind you.** If you need to just take a picture with your phone, you can send to me at 806-638-5707 and I will forward to Ashley.

CONGRATULATIONS, THETA EPSILON MEMBERS! Our chapter was awarded an \$800 grant from ASTEF to fill the Blessing Boxes throughout the year. That will be one of our projects this year. We will be looking for some volunteers for this opportunity.

There is a lot for you to do listed in this newsletter. Please put these on your "to do list" and in your calendar.

Earlier in the spring, Joanna Runkles sent a memo that said, "Everything is FIGUREOUTABLE!" I'm not sure that is a word, but I believe this to be true.

Bring on the 2020-2021 school and DKG year!

Your President,
Donna Pugh, dpugh@levellandisd.net

April Meeting Notes:

Date and Time: (CANCELLED) August 22, 2020, 10:30 a.m.

Place: Levelland ISD Board Room

Program Title: Scholarship Recipient Lunch (Watch for sign-up sheet to create Mexican Pile-On)

Community Service: Bill's Backpacks

Theta Epsilon Minutes:

Since no meeting was held in April or May, the following is the most current minutes with the correction for Newsletter Editor. (Juanice Tyson)

Donna called our DKG Chapter meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at Burklee Hill Vineyard's Venue in Levelland, TX.

The chapter minutes from the January 25, 2020

meeting were accepted as written.

The Treasurer's report was included in the meeting Agenda.

New Business:

In February our nominating committee sent out requests to members by email to see who might be interested in serving as a Chapter Officer. At the meeting today a slate of officers was presented to the membership, the membership approved the slate by vote.

The officers will be:

- President, Donna Pugh
- First Vice-President, Joanna Runkles
- Second Vice-President, Liz Brandt
- Recording/Corresponding Secretary, Kelly Kelley
- Treasurer, Shannon Copeland
- Webmaster, Ashley Davis
- Newsletter, Jay Ellen Wilson
- Parliamentarian, Terry Reynolds

The chapter will be applying for the ACTEF grant. The membership discussed the options presented and voted to use the local 'Blessing Boxes'.

The business portion of our meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m. The members were then invited to enjoy a craft of an American flag made out of wine corks. Change for Africa was collected and the donation was \$84.76.

Maggie Hussen won the Hobo Basket!

Our next Chapter meeting will be at the LISD Boardroom at 10:30 a.m. on April 4, 2020. Members are asked to bring gift bags and tissue paper.

Submitted by Kelly Kelley

Theta Epsilon Death Notices:

Christene Polvado



Graveside services for Christene Polvado, 79, of Lubbock and formerly of Morton were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday May 12, in the Morton Memorial Cemetery. She passed away Saturday May 9, 2020, in Lubbock.

She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Theta Epsilon Chapter since May 1988 and served as President 1996-1998.

Elizabeth Holder



Memorial services for Elizabeth Holder, 75, will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 22, at the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church. She passed away August 11, 2020.

She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Theta Epsilon Chapter since October 2019.

Dr. Arlene Brooks



Services for Dr. Arlene Brooks (85) were held Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at St. Michael's Catholic Church. She passed away August 15, 2020.

She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Theta Epsilon Chapter from September 1979 until 2011.

Service Projects:

International Service Project: Schools for Africa

TSO Unifying Project: For 2020 is CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) "a gift to CASA is an investment in helping children in crisis". *Spring 2020 Lone Star News 9*

Local Service Project: Support of South College Foundation, and Bill's Backpacks

State Theme:

"*YOU are the key.*"



Coming to an Area Workshop near you!

Area 12
Visual Arts Display

Saturday, September 19, 2020
8:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Raintree Christian Church
3601 82nd Street, Lubbock

Display opened to any form of crafts and collections.

Contact Janie Wigley
jwigley69@gmail.com
with your name and chapter
and list of item(s) up to 3 to be displayed.

Area 12 Coordinator: Judy Evans

Area 12 Mentor: Connie Rensink

News From: www.dkgtexas.org

Texas State Organization Convention, McAllen, June 17-19, 2020 **was cancelled**

News From: www.dkg.org

2020 International Convention; Philadelphia, PA; July 7-11, 2020 **was cancelled**

Red Roses to:

Ashley Davis, Congratulations on your marriage
Maggie Husen, Husband, Richard is having surgery
Elizabeth Holder (deceased) family and friends
Dr. Arlene Brooks (deceased) family and friends
Christene Polvado (deceased) family and friends

Willa Dale Johnson
Cherolyne Hendon

Please let the editor know if you were missed, so your name can be added to our next Red Roses List.

Calendar:

CANCELLED Next DKG meeting will be August 22, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.; Levelland ISD Board Room

Date	Time	Location	Community Service	Program Title
Aug. 22, 2020	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room Cancelled	Bill's Backpacks —Do we want to make a \$25 contribution to another endowed effort? LIFE? Bill's Backpacks?	Scholarship Recipient Lunch (Watch for sign-up sheet to create Mexican Pile-on)
Sept. 19, 2020	8:40 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Lubbock Raintree Christian Church VIRTUAL	N/A	Area 12 Workshop (RSVP required by August 1 st ; cost is \$10 for those who reserved a place and \$15 for those who did not)
Sept. 2020	TBA	South Plains Fair-ground--Lubbock	N/A	South Plains Fair—Let's participate with entries from members! (Preserved foods, baked goods, antiques, craft and sewing items)
Oct. 5, 2020	5:00 p.m. brief meeting;	SPC Cosmetology	\$1 for Eula Lee Carter Scholarship	SPC: An Evening of Cosmetology-Slots will be available for various services during this three-hour time slot;

				sign-up sheet forthcoming. (Each October, we are going to go see dynamic programs in our schools)
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Check out these items on the web:

www.dkgtexas.org

- Communicue
- Lone Star News
- Schools for Africa
- TSO Legislative updates

Theta Epsilon Chapter Website

<http://thetaepsilon.weebly.com/index.html>



- 8-12 Joanna Runkles
- 8-15 Christy Barnett
- 8-20 Mary Warren
- 9-1 Lori Satterwhite
- 9-7 Sycily Ann Gregory
- 10-18 Deborah Payne

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