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*Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators
 Impacting Education Worldwide*



JOURNEY
Which way will you go?

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Journey: Which way will you go?

Hello DKG Friends,

As this school semester and year comes to an end, my hope is that you will make time to rest and refocus for this coming year. As educators, mothers, sisters, and daughters the holidays tend to be a time we focus on pouring ourselves out to our students, friends, and families. While I hope that you all are blessed with time full of family and friends, I also hope that you take time for yourself as well to be still and rest. This can be taking extra-time snuggling grandbabies, or simply enjoying the morning sun with a cup of coffee.

At our October meeting, we were able to meet the biology department chair Kristin Bingham who hosted a fabulous tour of the newest

addition to our South Plains College, the Wilburn and Helen Wheeler Science Center. We also collected donations for the Eula Lee Carter Scholarship.

While we will not have our regular chapter meeting this month, I am excited to report that we will have five members attending our DKG Christmas Celebration in Lubbock on December 3, 2022, at 10:00am. Our next chapter meeting will be on January 21, 2023, at 10:30am at **Capitol Elementary**. During this meeting we will be celebrating our birthday as well as celebrating Hockley County with John Hope. At this meeting we will collect donations for the Historical Society. Vicki Harrison will provide the Hobo Basket for this meeting so you will want to make sure you bring \$1 for a chance to win.

Blessings, safe travels, and happy holidays!

Respectfully,
 Ashley Davis

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Area 12 Coordinator: Sonja Hanks
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Service Projects:

International Service Project: Schools for Africa
Local Service Projects: Blessing Boxes, Books for CHART, Bill's Backpacks



When: January 21, 2023
Where: Capitol Elem
Program: DKG Birthday; John Hope "Celebrating Hockley County"
Community Service: Donations for the Hockley County Historical Society



Donna Pugh, our past President, called our DKG Theta Epsilon Chapter meeting to order at 5:00pm at the Wilburn and Helen Wheeler Science Center on the South Plains College Campus. Donna opened the meeting with Two Truths and a Lie. The Chapter minutes from the August 27, 2022 meeting along with the Treasurer's report were included with the evening's agenda. They were accepted as written.

The Community service project for the meeting was the Eula Lee Carter Scholarship, members each donated a \$1.

Deb McVay provided a lovely selection of refreshments and cookies. Vicky Harrison was not able to be at the meeting tonight so the Hobo Basket will be saved for future meeting. Donna reminded everyone of the Website Compliance form that is due to Ashley by 10/15/22.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm. Members were invited to tour the new Science Center. Our tour guide was Kristin Bingham. She led us through the new science classrooms, labs, garden and outdoor classroom. They will be hosting a plant sale in the spring and we will need to watch for the opportunity to support their garden.

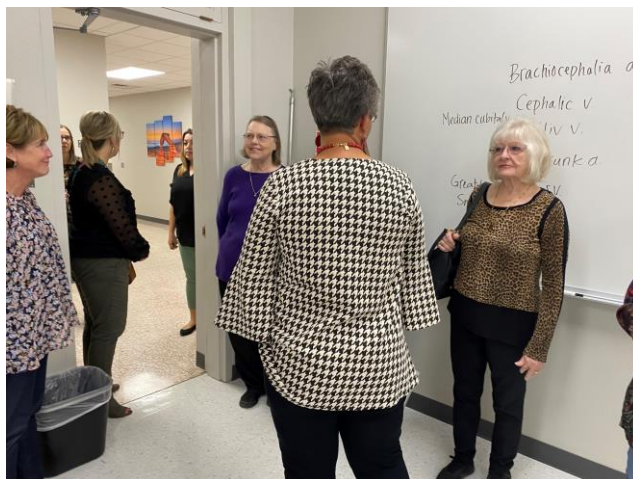
Our next Chapter meeting will be the Area 12 Christmas Tea at the Lubbock Women's Club on Broadway. Saturday December 3, 2022 at 10am.



Theta Epsilon members were joined by State President, Shalan Inmon at the annual Area 12 Brunch held on December 3rd. From left, Deborah Payne, Liz Brandt, Shalan Inmon, Terry Reynolds, and Ashley Davis.



SPC Biology department chair Kristin Bingham gave our members a tour of the newly remodeled Science building



Deb McVay, Joanna Runkles, Carrie Young, Donna Pugh, and Juanice Tyson learn about the new science department technology.



Enjoying the Greenhouse tour were (from Left) Kristin Bingham, host, and Theta Epsilon members Tracy Barker, Donna Pugh, Jayellen Wilson, Jolene Sweeney, Carrie Young, Kelly Kelley, Deb McVay, Jaunice Tyson, and Maggie Husen.



Checking out the resident tortoise are members Juanice Tyson, Deb McVay, Carrie Young, and Joanna Runkles.

Regional Workshops

The Texas State Organization held eighteen successful Area Workshops this fall. Mentors, Area Coordinators and countless volunteers provided officer training and breakout sessions offering CPE credit for the Texas members. Over 1000 women educators attended workshops around the state. That is over 350 more women than attended the State Convention.

(Excerpt taken from the Winter 2022 Lone Star News)

Calendar

Date	Time	Location	Community Service	Program Title
Saturday December 2022	TBA	Lubbock Women's Club	Area 12	Christmas Brunch
Saturday January 21, 2023	10:30 a.m.	Capitol Elementary	Historical Society	John Hope "Celebrating Hockley County" Happy Birthday DKG!
Thursday March 2, 2023	5:30 p.m.	SPC Cosmotogy	Change for Schools for Africa	Spa Night
Saturday April 22, 2023	10:30 a.m.	Levelland Wallace Theater	Wallace Restoration	"What's Happening at the Wallace?" Induction of new members
Saturday May 2023	TBA	Lubbock Women's Club	N/A	Founder's Luncheon
Saturday August 26, 2023	10:30 a.m.	Capitol Elementary	Change for Schools for Africa	Suzy Polk: "Stories from South Africa"



12-13 Kay Franklin
 12-15 Kelly Kelley
 12-26 Ashley Davis

Remember our goal: Invite 3 extraordinary women to join!!



Ashley Davis	President
Joanna Runkles	First Vice President
Liz Brandt	Second Vice President
Kelly Kelley	Corresponding/Recording Secretary
Shannon Copeland	Treasurer
Ashley Davis	Webmaster
Jayellen Wilson	Newsletter Editor
Terry Reynolds	Parliamentarian
Donna Pugh	Immediate Past President