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year bring new opportunities for growth, collaboration, and shared success.



SOAR to New Heights

Hello DKG Ladies,

As the holiday season approaches, I invite you to reflect on the warmth and camaraderie that defines our Delta Kappa Gamma sisterhood. This year has been filled with growth, support, and the unwavering dedication that characterizes our Theta Epsilon chapter. As we come together to celebrate the joy of the season, please take a moment to reflect on our collective achievements and the new sisters we have welcomed into our chapter this year. As we wrap up another successful year, let us carry the spirit of sisterhood into the new one. May the bonds we share continue to strengthen, and may the coming

While we will not have our regular chapter meeting this month, I am excited that we will have a time of Fellowship with our DKG sisters at the Area 12 DKG Christmas Celebration in Lubbock on December 2, 2023, at 10:00am at the Lubbock Women's Club. Please ensure you have registered with Shannon Copeland and me to attend the event by November 20. Likewise, ensure that you have paid \$22 to Shannon Copeland at 210 Cottonwood Ln Levelland, TX 79336. Truly, this event provides a time to escape the hustle and bustle of the holidays and allows for a brief moment of stillness. It always gives me time to reinvest in myself before the whirlwind of the busy holiday season.

Our next chapter meeting will be at Capitol Elementary on January 27, 2024, at 10:30am. During this meeting, we will celebrate our birthday and learn more about the paths toward independence for adults with disABILITIES at Shelby's Bridge Gift & Thrift Shop. At this meeting, we will take donations for Shelby's Bridge. I look forward

to seeing you all in January!
 Blessings, safe travels, and happy holidays!
 Respectfully,
 Ashley Davis

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Service Projects:

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



Area 12 Christmas Brunch
December 2, 2023
10:00 A.M.
Lubbock Women's Club

Next Meeting

When: January 27, 2024
Where: Capitol Elementary
Program: "Paths Toward Independence"
Community Service Shelby's Bridge donation



Delta Kappa Gamma
Theta Epsilon Chapter
October 05, 2023

Ashley Davis called our DKG Chapter meeting to order at 5:30pm. The meeting was held at Levelland High School in the Culinary Arts Student Kitchen.

Immediately upon arrival, Ashley welcomed us and announced that we would adjourn to the kitchen to prepare our dough for the fettucine that was the base for our meal.

Kris Oaks and her student volunteers introduced themselves and we were divided into 3-4 member groups per kitchen area. We watched a quick demonstration and began making our dough. Once each group had made their dough, we returned to the classroom for our meeting.

The Chapter minutes from the August 26, 2023 meeting along with the Treasurer's report were included with the agenda. Both were accepted as written.

Ashley shared the opportunity that DKG members have for TSO Fall Mini Grants. Applications are due by 11/01/23. She indicated that the grants can be used for non-traditional activities like professional conferences, workshops or research type activities. Our Regional Area workshop will take place at St. Lukes Methodist Church in Lubbock next summer on Saturday June 22, 2024. Ashley also advised us that we will need to consider Nominations for new Chapter Officers when we gather in January. That meeting will take place at Capitol Elementary at 10:30am on 1/27/2024.

Once the meeting concluded, members returned to their kitchens and completed the pasta, kneading and forming the noodles and making the sauce.

Following the cooking presentation, Members enjoyed the prepared pasta meal of fettucine and a lemon Alfredo sauce and dessert.

Kelly Kelley provided a self-pampering themed Hobo basket - it generated \$17 to the general fund. It was won by Terry Reynolds. Members made a \$21 donation (\$1. Per member) to the Eula Lee Carter Scholarship fund.

Our next Chapter meeting will be held on Saturday December 2, 2023 at 10:00am at the Lubbock Women's Club on Broadway. Members will need to RSVP to Ashley.

The meeting was then adjourned.



Pasta Night!



Students from the Culinary Arts Program at Levelland High School graciously helped our members make pasta.



Member Carrie Young helped to make the Lemon Alfredo Sauce, and Sandy Parrish did a "taste test".



First, members made the dough.



Ashley Davis presented a gift of thanks to Culinary Instructor Kris Oaks.



After some rest time, the dough was kneaded, folded, and put through the pasta maker. Shown here are members Kelly Kelley and Ashley Davis making the pasta.

Scholarship 2023



Theta Epsilon President Ashley Davis recently presented the chapter scholarship to Jaden Posades at the SPC Scholarship Banquet.

Calendar

Date	Time	Location	Community Service	Program Title
Saturday December 2, 2023	10:00a.m.	Lubbock Women's Club	Area 12	Christmas Brunch/Tea
Saturday January 27, 2024 <i>(Please make plans to pay \$86 dues in March)</i>	10:30 a.m.	Capitol Elementary	Shelby's Bridge	Shelby's Bridge "Creating Paths Toward Independence for Adults with disABILITIES" Happy Birthday DKG! Election of new officers
Thursday, March 7, 2024 <i>(Please pay your dues now)</i>	6:00 p.m.	Studio K, Levelland	ASTEFL chapter donation	Let's Get Crafty! Please bring \$30 to create
Saturday, April 6, 2024	10:30 a.m.	Capitol Elementary	Bill's Backpacks (\$ or food items)	Don't be a Victim – Self Defense Induction Ceremony
Saturday May 4, 2024	11:30 a.m.	Lubbock Women's Club	N/A	Founder's Luncheon, Lubbock
Saturday August 24, 2024 <i>(New member nominations)</i>	10:30 a.m.	Capitol Elementary	Change for Schools for Africa	What's Happening at the Salvation Army?
Thursday, October 5, 2024 <i>(Invite potential new member)</i>	6:00 p.m.	SPC Library	Little Libraries Donation (\$ or books)	Let's SEE the New SPC!



Remember our goal: Invite extraordinary women to join Delta Kappa Gamma!

- December 3 Ashley Howard
- 13 Kay Franklin
- 15 Kelly Kelley
- 26 Ashley Davis
- January 1 Liz Brandt
- 16 Debra Burnett
- 31 Kay Daniel

2023-2024 OFFICERS

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Joanna Runkles	First Vice President
Liz Brandt	Second Vice President
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Ashley Davis	Webmaster
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