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Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators
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Journey: Which way will you go?

Hello DKG Friends,

WOW! What a team we have in Theta Epsilon! The members who were able to attend our January meeting assembled 600 appreciation bags for school staff in Levelland, Ropesville and Whiteface. Thank you for your work in gathering materials (Kudos to Jayellen Wilson for researching and purchasing all items), assembling bags and delivering to the respective campuses. This was our second project as a part of our Mental Health Matters ASTEF project. You can see them in action in this newsletter.

Yes, ma'am, it is time for another meeting of our Theta Epsilon friends. Please join us for our meeting at Prairie Chick Winery (3924 Alaska Road) on Thursday, March 3rd at 5:30 p.m. Terry Reynolds has sent the list of RSVPs to the Winery. We have members who have signed up for the \$20 meal. In addition, please bring \$5 for a wine tasting—if you are interested. We have members who will attend our social and not eat; that is perfectly fine, too. We just want you to join us.

Our community service for March is Change for

Africa. This is easy as we can clean out the change compartment in our wallets or car stash. We will collect whatever you have to contribute.

As this March meeting is a social, our business will be brief. We must submit our officers for the 2022-2024 biennium by March 15; therefore, we must elect our officers. The nominations committee will be prepared to present a slate of officers. and we also need to decide on an ASTEF project for the next year as that application deadline is quickly approaching. Bring any ideas.

Just a heads up that at our April meeting, it will be time for dues again--\$86. Please be prepared to pay these as they must be submitted in the summer while we are not meeting.

Deborah Payne continues to work with the committee to plan our state meeting. Our chapter is responsible for the distribution of box lunches during the convention. Please make plans to assist with these efforts.

See you Thursday at the Prairie Chick,

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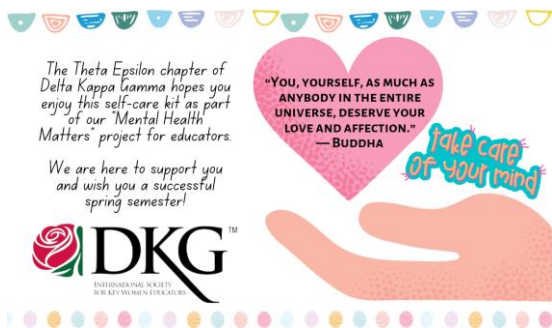
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Area 12 Coordinator: Sonja Hanks
Area 12 Mentor: Patti Belknap



Service Projects:

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



Theta Epsilon Chapter members assembled self-care kits for area educators as part of our ASTEF grant project.



Assembling 600 kits were Laurie Williams, Joanna Runkles, Deborah Payne, Terry Reynolds, Deb McVay, Tracy Barker, Ashley Davis Daniel, Kelly Kelley, Maggie Husen. Not pictured are Jayellen Wilson, Debra Burnett, and Jolene Sweeney.

Joanna Runkles, Vice President, called our DKG Chapter meeting to order at 10:30am at the Levelland ISD Boardroom.

The chapter minutes were included in the Meeting's Agenda and approved by the members. JoAnna read the treasurer's report.

There was no correspondence.

In new business, JayEllen Wilson indicated she spent approximately \$1500.00 dollars on the 'Mental Health Matters' bags and items. She was able to purchase quite an assortment of goodies for the 600 bags.

The members assembled the bags during the meeting, we formed an assembly line, sorted, filled and counted. Fun was had by all on hand!

Volunteers from the chapter loaded their cars with the boxes and delivered to the school, we included Whiteface ISD and Ropeville ISD along with all the Levelland ISD campuses.

JoAnna encouraged us all to recruit for members. Deborah Payne gave an updated report on the upcoming State Conference that will be held in Lubbock this summer, our Chapter will be responsible for handing out the meal boxes at lunch. Deborah is asking for volunteers to help with that and more, additional information should be available in the newsletter. Deborah pointed out that we usually have 800-1000 DKG members from across the state attend the summer conference.

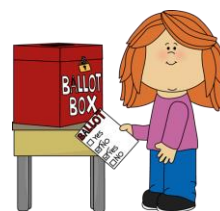
Our Chapter wants to nominate the local 'News Press' for a newspaper and print award.

Members donated \$75.00 for ASTEF today.

Meeting adjourned at 12.



When: Thursday evening, March 3, 2022
Where: Prairie Chick Winery at 3924 Alaska Road
Service Project: Change for Africa



On Page 4 of this newsletter is the current list of our chapter officers in Theta Epsilon. We must submit our new list by March 15th; therefore, we will vote on a new slate of officers at our meeting on Thursday, March 3rd. Would you be willing to serve our chapter members again? Are you willing to take a leadership role?



Assembling “mental health matters” kits. From left, Joanna Runkles, Tracy Barker, Ashley Davis Daniel, Deb McVay, Laurie Williams, and Deborah Payne.



The 93rd TSO State Convention will be held at Lubbock Memorial Civic Center on June 15-18.



This picture is from the official Convention Kickoff at the Civic Center in Lubbock on February 12th. This is the Convention Steering committee and a several committee chairs. Theta Epsilon was represented by Terry Reynolds, Donna Pugh and Deborah Payne.



calling all
Vendors

Vendors wanted for the 93rd TSO Convention Journey

Commercial and nonprofit vendors, chapter vendors or exhibitors are encouraged to apply for space in the exhibit hall at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

DKG website: dkgtexas.org
Click on convention for application

Please contact Terry Reynolds, Vendors committee co-chair, for more information.
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Special reduced prices for chapter ads in 93rd TSO Convention program

Consider memorial ads for members who have passed with an area or a chapter tribute. Celebrate accomplishments or share events with an advertisement. Promote chapter sales.

DKG website: dkgtexas.org
Click on convention for application

1/4 page: \$100
1/2 page: \$200
Full page: \$300

Please contact Terry Reynolds, Convention program Ads committee co-chair, for more information.
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The MCM is taking reservations now for DKG!

<http://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=3398632&hotelID=86204>

The rate is between **\$109.00 - \$139.00**

Calendar

Date	Time	Location	Community Service	Program Title
Thursday March 3, 2022 (PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES NOW!)	5:30 p.m.	Prairie Chick Winery, 3924 Alaska Road	Change for Schools for Africa	It's a SOCIAL! (We'll have a meal and some wine if you want. Each person is responsible for paying for own meal.)
Saturday, April 30, 2022	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room	State Convention Service Project	Women & Girls in Science (Celinda Rejino will share information about this project. State Convention preparations will be made at this time, if needed.)
Saturday, May, 2022 TBD	TBA	Lubbock Women's Club	N/A	Founder's Luncheon-- Lubbock
Saturday, August 27, 2022	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room	Bill's Backpacks (\$ or food items)	Scholarship Recipient Lunch (Stuffed Baked Potato Bar to be served. Watch for sign up sheet.)
Saturday, September 10, 2022	TBA	Lubbock	TBA	Area 12 Workshop

Thursday October 6, 2022	5 p.m.	South Plains College	\$1 for Eula Lee Carter Scholarship	Let's SEE the New SPC! (We will tour the new science department, garden, and outdoor classroom.)
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- 3-6 Susan Nicholas
- 3-17 Tracy Barker
- 3-25 Kristi McCrummen
- 3-26 Juanice Tyson
- 3-30 Donna Pugh
- 4-2 Laurie Williams
- 4-6 Shannon Copeland
- 4-6 Willa Dale Johnson
- 4-10 Judith Ward
- 4-20 Terry Reynolds
- 4-26 Brenda Ewerz

Donna Pugh	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
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