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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



***Bridging Yesterday and Tomorrow***



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

**this project as we have to report on the grant the number of our actual members who participated.** Perhaps some of you can clean out the children's/grandchildren's collections, bring a few books and give one to a DKG sister who forgot or didn't have a book. Then everyone will get to participate and our report will GLOW!



**January 2019—President's Letter for DKG Newsletter**

WOO HOO, IT'S 2019! Think back to the year 1999 and how we worried about the turning of the year. Would we be able to rollover into 2000?

Could our computers accomplish this? WOW! Now it is 20 years later. Times flies—especially when you are having fun—and taking part in our DKG activities.

Our bank account balance has never been huge, but as we made the transition to new officers, we realized just how low our account really is. We are not going to dwell on it, but will be proactive instead. With that being said, we will begin a HOBNO BASKET. This is a basket of "stuff" that will be available at each meeting. I will fill the first one with canned goods from my garden (and if you have ever done food preservation at home, you know they are worth a mint!) and we will sell \$1 chances. The winner gets this basket and is in charge of returning it ready for the next drawing at the next meeting. **Bring a buck, LD and I made some killer candied jalapenos!** ☺ We will just be frugal as we build our account.

Our next meeting will be Pacing and Planning as well as celebrating our birthday on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 30 a.m. at the Levelland ISD Board Room. Please enter through the Board Room door as our new security system doesn't allow for the main doors to be unlocked. We will have a breakfast/brunch first and while you enjoy we will have our business meeting. If you are able to bring a breakfast food item to share, please do. We will do some planning for this year and beyond, too.

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR:** Next meeting is Thursday, March 7, 2019, 5:30 p.m. at Studio K. We will make a cute craft and there will be a fee for those who participate in the craft. All members are welcome to come to the meeting, visit and watch, too. The craft is not required.

The CHART (retired teachers group) has already spent the ASTEF funds (\$2325) in support of the *1,000 Books before Kindergarten* project. Ladies, please know that our grant made a HUGE impact in the number of books they were able to purchase. As a matter of fact, the *1,000 Books before Kindergarten* is our community service for this month. **Please bring new or gently used children's books to donate. We hope that everyone can participate in**

We hope you all can join us on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>! Let's Make 2019 Extremely FINE!

Your President,  
Donna Pugh, [dpugh@levellandisd.net](mailto:dpugh@levellandisd.net)

**January Meeting Notes:**

**Date and Time:** January 19, 2019, 10:30 a.m.  
**Place:** Levelland ISD Board Room  
**Program Title:** \*Pacing & Planning & Happy Birthday  
**Community Service:** 1,000 Books (new or gently used books)

**Theta Epsilon Minutes:**

The December 2018 meeting was the Area 12 Christmas Brunch and Tea at the Women’s Club in Lubbock, TX.

The meeting was conducted by Sharon McDougale. Sharon gave an update and overview on DKG news and upcoming events. She included information on the State conference, Achievement awards and Officers recruitment and responsibility.

The different chapters were recognized at their tables, we had five members in attendance seated at the Theta Epsilon table.

A brunch was served and consisted of an omelet, roasted potatoes, fruit, cinnamon rolls and coffee.

Following the business meeting, attendees were entertained by the Frenship High School Madrigal group. The High School students entered dressed in festive, medieval costumes. They introduced themselves as the Royal court of Madrigals. They regaled us with Christmas themed music from the renaissance time period. It was a fun and festive performance.

The meeting was adjourned following the presentation at 12:00 p.m.

Our next meeting will be Saturday January 19, 2019 at 10:30 am in the Levelland ISD Board Room.

Submitted by Kelly Kelley



Christmas Luncheon

Liz Brandt, Kelly Kelley, Terry Reynolds back row;  
JoAnna Runkles and Deborah Payne front row

**Service Projects:**

International Service Project: Schools for Africa

State Service Project: CASA is the state unifying project for convention in Arlington

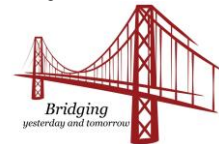
Local Service Project: Support of South Plains College Foundation, Bill’s Backpacks, and “1000 Books before Kindergarten.”

**2016-2018 International Theme:**

DKG - Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

**State Theme:**

“*Bridging Yesterday and Tomorrow.*”



**TSO Biennium Goals:**

1. Encourage members to strengthen their chapters by building membership diversity including members of all ages and ethnicities, as well as those who work in all types of schools.
2. Honor our heritage as we build membership, strengthen chapters and take on new challenges in schools and communities.
3. Encourage healthy living strategies for our members and their families.
4. Support initiatives and programs that will enlighten and inform members about education worldwide.

**Area 12 Coordinator: Sharon McDougale**

**News From:** [www.dkgtexas.org](http://www.dkgtexas.org)

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**Red Roses to:**

Janie Wigley's (past Area 12 Coordinator) husband was in a car accident a week ago and is undergoing surgery. She is from Crosbyton.

Juanice's sister in law "Troy's twin" passed away last week.

Nicole Keeling (Nancy's daughter) was a Metropolitan Opera National Council District Winner Saturday in Houston. On to the next round!

Wonderful article on Ashley Davis in the NewsPress, about her trip to China this past summer.

Nancy Joplin's sister, Jan Whitley, is recovering from a heart attack.

Willa Dale Johnson

Cherolyne Hendon

Janie Wigley's husband's surgery has been delayed till this Friday due to the pneumonia. It is back surgery: Fuse C1 & C2; C6 & C7 and Thoracic 12 to Lumbar 2; about a 6 1/2 hour surgery, she said.

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

**Calendar:**

Next DKG meeting will be January 19, 2019 at Levelland ISD Board Room.

2019 TBD		Women's Club		Luncheon
August 24, 2019	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room		Scholarship Recipient Lunch (Bring salads & desserts.)
Oct. 3, 2019	5:30 p.m.	Levelland High School		Culinary Arts Showcase-- Khris Oaks and students will "dazzle" us with cake decorating strategies

**Check out these items on the web:**

[www.dkgtxas.org](http://www.dkgtxas.org)

- Communique—emailed also
- Lone Star News
- Schools for Africa
- TSO Legislative updates

Theta Epsilon Chapter Website

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



- 1-6 Liz Brandt
- 1-16 Debra Burnett
- 1-26 Virginia Yarbrough
- 1-31 Kay Daniel
- 2-9 Vickie Harrison
- 2-25 Melissa Young
- 2-26 Jolene Sweeney

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January 19, 2019	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room	1,000 Books (new or gently used books)	Pacing & Planning & Happy Birthday
March 7, 2019	5:30 p.m.	Studio K (on the S side of the Square)	Change for Schools for Africa	Let's Create at Studio K with Kenna Trotter (Social) (Note: There will be a fee for the project for participants.)
April 13, 2019	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room	Bill's Backpacks	Money Talks presented by Joey Pierce
May,	TBA	Lubbock		Founder's

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