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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

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Hello DKG Friends,

93 DAYS..."That's how many are left in 2020. How you choose to use them matters. I'm not buying the doom and gloom. I'm

investing in faith, hope and love. I believe the best is yet to come." –Jon Gordon (This was a quote I received when there were actually 108 days left, but it has resonated with me.)

With the best yet to come, your officer team has met and planned a dynamic line-up of programs and activities for 2020-2021. Please join your fellow DKG members in making plans now to be a dynamic member of our group. We need everyone's contributions—leadership, refreshments, motivation, donations, etc.

Our October Theta Epsilon meeting will be a treat! We will have an "Evening of Cosmetology" at SPC. This is an evening for pampering and, let's be honest, we all can enjoy a little "down" time to relax. We will meet on Monday, October 5 for this meeting. We will have a brief meeting from 5:00 to 5:30. Beginning at 5:30, you can sign up for these treats: basic facial (\$10), pedicure (\$10), or manicure (\$4), shellac is \$5 extra. You can sign up for one per hour; take advantage of what your schedule allows. You will be

responsible for paying for the services you enjoy, but the cost is minimal. It is customary to tip these students, too. Bring cash. Please sign up early so we can fill slots and not keep people an extra hour for those we are unable to fill. Invite prospective members to participate, too. This could be a great recruiting event. The sign-up list has already been sent as an E-mail, but if you were unable to open the Google document, please send your name and what you would like to do at 5:30 and then at 6:30 to junkles@levellandisd.net. THE LAST TIME WE DID THIS, IT WAS AWESOME! You won't want to miss!

You can read in the newsletter about our members who recently participated in the Area 12 Leadership meeting that was held on September 19 via Zoom. Thank you, Deborah Payne, Shannon Copeland, Jayellen Wilson, Debra Burnett and Kelly Kelley for representing our chapter.

The newsletter also has information about the Leadership Seminar. Please read and apply by October 15 if you are interested. Every person who has participated speaks HIGHLY of the opportunity.

Maggie Husen will bring the HOBO basket for the October meeting, too. You will want to bring a dollar or two to get your name in the hat for this treasure!

Every year, we donate to the Eula Lee Carter scholarship. Please bring \$1 to contribute. Also, we are going to create some teacher appreciation bowls of candy for our local school staff. They are definitely on the front line as they juggle the demands of

teaching face-to-face while also juggling remote instruction—all while “masked up”. We will need quite a bit of candy to do this for every school in the county so please be generous.

Theta Epsilon members, the best is yet to come!!!

See you on Monday, October 5th at SPC!
(Don't forget cash including \$1 for scholarship and candy to appreciate our teachers.)

Your President,
Donna Pugh, dpugh@levellandisd.net

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**

October Meeting Notes:

Date and Time: October 5, 2020 5:00 p.m.

Place: SPC Cosmetology

Program Title: An Evening of Cosmetology

Community Service: \$1 for Eula Lee Carter Scholarship AND Sacks of Candy for teacher appreciation.

Theta Epsilon Minutes:

Five members of Theta Epsilon represented our chapter at the Area 12 Workshop held virtually on September 19, 2020. It was hosted by Shalan Inmon, Alpha Sigma, and presided over by Judy Evans, Area 12 Coordinator, Alpha Sigma. Greetings were also brought from State by Connie Rensink, State Parliamentarian Theta Chi. She urged the membership to “Work hard to stay connected”. Other area members addressed membership, programs, service projects, ASTEF, Scholarships, and Communication and Publicity.



Connie Rensink brings greetings from State.



The Area 12 workshop was well attended even though it was virtual!



Our own Deborah Payne spoke to the group about the Leadership Seminar which will be held in Arlington on February 26-28. Following a break, other sessions were held, giving beneficial information about other aspects of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Service Projects:

International Service Project: Schools for Africa

Local Service Projects: Blessing Boxes

Inside Out Foundation

Bill's Backpacks

Books for CHART

State Theme:

“YOU are the key.”

Unlocking the Treasure of Successful Leadership



What is Leadership Seminar?

Leadership Seminar is an intensive leadership training experience for 30 TSO members held the second year of every biennium in February. Founded in 1993, Leadership Seminar has enhanced leadership skills of over 400 members throughout the state. The overall goal of the seminar is to provide opportunities for professional and personal growth beneficial to both the individual member and the Society.

What can I expect from the experience?

During the Seminar, participants will discover the strengths they already possess as leaders and learn of the multitude of ways to be a strong leader. The training will be useful in our organization as well as applicable for use in homes, schools, and communities. Participants will depart Leadership Seminar having bonded with their Leadership class and making lasting friendships throughout the state.

How do I apply?

Application forms are online at the TSO Leadership Seminar webpage. Completed applications and the recommendation form are due by **October 15**. These must be sent electronically to the email address indicated. The recommendation form must be completed by your chapter president. If you will be serving as chapter president, please have a recent chapter president complete it.

When and where will Leadership Seminar 2021 be held?

The dates for the next Leadership Seminar are February 26-28, 2021, and it will be held at the Arlington Hilton Hotel. The Seminar begins on Friday in the late afternoon and ends by noon on Sunday so that our members still working will only miss a minimum amount of time away from their jobs.

What expenses are participants expected to pay?

By December 1, applicants will receive a letter of acceptance or encouragement to apply again next biennium. All information will be communicated electronically. If you receive an acceptance letter, you will be asked to begin preparing for the seminar by reading a specific book related to leadership. Additionally, there is a \$90 fee to help offset the expense of your hotel room, all meals from Friday night through Sunday morning, meeting rooms, and materials. All participants will need to pay for their own transportation expenses.

Is there anything I can begin doing now?

Yes, begin taking steps now to gather information and create your DKG resume. Your DKG bio/resume should be a timeline of the things you have done since your initiation. This includes committees, offices, attendance at workshops, conferences, and conventions. Begin with your chapter yearbooks to help you recall how you served. Once you begin this document, keep it for continued use throughout your years in DKG.

The Leadership Seminar Committee looks forward to discussing the opportunity and answering questions. For more information on applying for Leadership Seminar, please plan to attend your Area Workshop.

Calendar

Date	Time	Location	Community Service	Program Title
Oct. 5, 2020	5:00 p.m. brief meeting; 5:30-8:30 p.m. for salon service	SPC Cosmetology	\$1 for Eula Lee Carter Scholarship And sacks of Candy for Teacher appreciation	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)

December	TBA	Lubbock Women's Club	Area 12	Christmas Brunch/Tea (If Area 12 does not hold this we will plan something locally)
Jan. 23, 2021	10:30 A.M.	Levelland ISD Board Room	Blessing Boxes	Happy Birthday DKG! and National History Day Extravaganza (featuring Cathie McMahon's Levelland MS Students' NHD projects)
March 4, 2021 *\$86 DUES due now	5:30 P.M.	Mosaic	Change for Schools for Africa	Coffee and Crafts Ink Art with Jayellen and Whitney Wilson
April 24, 2021	10:30 A.M.	Levelland ISD Board Room	Inside Out (Gift bags and Tissue Paper)	Inside Out Foundation
May 2021 TBD	TBA	Lubbock Women's Club	N/A	Founder's Luncheon --Lubbock
August 28, 2021	10:30 A.M.	Levelland ISD Board Room	Bill's Backpacks AND new Or gently Used Books for CHART	Scholar-Ship Recipient Luncheon (watch for sign-up sheet for Mexican Pile-on)
September 2021	TBA	South Plains Fair-grounds	N/A	South Plains Fair- Let's participate With entries from members (Preserved

				foods, baked goods, antiques, craft and sewing items)
Thurs. Oct 7, 2021	5:30 P.M.	Levelland ISD Board Room OR TBA	\$1 for Eula Lee Carter Scholarship	Deaf Education- Whitney Wilson

Check out these items on the web:

www.dkgtxas.org

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

Theta Epsilon Chapter Website

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



10-18 Deborah Payne

11-14 Heidi Blair

11-14 Deb McVay

11-18 Catherine McMahan

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Liz Brandt
Kelly Kelley
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Ashley Davis
Jayellen Wilson
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