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the Eula Lee Carter Scholarship. We will also have a Hobo Basket. You may want to bring \$1 for that, too.



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President's Letter for DKG Newsletter

Hello DKG Friends,

Theta Epsilon just continues to do great things! Thank you for your level of participation in making and growing our DKG chapter. To continue this tradition of excellence, your officer team has met and planned a dynamic line-up of programs and activities for 2021-2022. It is going to be another productive year. You will see the programs later in the newsletter and in our forthcoming yearbook.

Our October Theta Epsilon meeting will be another lesson on educational programs in our area. Whitney Meyer (Jayellen's daughter) will speak to us about the Deaf Education programs that are offered at our area schools. Many students who qualify for these services attend Overton Elementary in Lubbock. Whitney will give us the details. The meeting will be held in the Levelland ISD Board Room at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 7. At this meeting we will also collect \$1 per member as our contribution to

As members have suggested, we will assemble our "Mental Health Matters" treats for school staff members as a part of our meetings. This is our ASTEF grant and project for the year. We have decided to provide one token of appreciation to staff each semester. Our first one will be Brownies and Fruit. Melissa Young and her students will bake the brownies. We will purchase fruit. These will be assembled at our meeting and divided for members to deliver on Friday, October 8.

We have some fair winners! WOO HOO! We had entries from Jayellen Wilson, Terry Reynolds, Joanna Runkles, Liz Brandt, Shannon Copeland, Deborah Payne and me. Thank you for participating. This was a simple but fun project for our chapter. Let us know if you want to make this a tradition.

Also, an email was sent about input for the September 2022 Leadership Training. Instead of speaking about every DKG topic, the plan is to do a better job of training in the areas where it is most needed. Please share your input.

HAPPY FALL Y'ALL

See you on Thursday, October 7th at the Board Room!

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Theta Epsilon Minutes:

President Donna Pugh called our DKG Chapter meeting to order at 10:30am on August 28, 2021, at the Levelland ISD Boardroom. The chapter minutes were included in the agenda and approved by the members on a motion by Liz Brandt and a second by Terri Reynolds. The treasurer's report was also included on the agenda and showed a balance of \$4,955.24

Officer correspondence included the resignation of Ann Gregory, who is retiring in December, as well as Willa Dale Johnson retiring. Community Service this month was Crackers and Books for Bill's Backpacks and CHART.

An announcement was made about the State Meeting, which will be held in Lubbock June 15-18 at the Civic Center. Co-chair Deborah Payne will be letting our chapter know what we can do to help.

The Hobo Basket was provided by Laurie Williams.

New Business included Ms. Pugh asking for program ideas for the upcoming year. Members discussed ideas and wrote them on notecards for the officers to consider.

Members were also asked to consider entering items in the Panhandle South Plains Fair to be held Sept. 24-Oct.2. Also in new business, an invitation was extended to members to become a volunteer in the tutoring program at SPC. The process was explained as well as the need for qualified volunteers. Lastly, in new business, the members were asked to make suggestions for ways to best use our ASTEF grant monies while promoting Mental Health Matters in our local schools. Several ideas were received, and times and locations were decided upon.

The program was led by President Pugh, as the members collaborated on the Chapter Wellness Check and was made aware of the Chapter Self-Assessment for 2019-2021. The meeting was then adjourned, and a Mexican Pile-on was enjoyed by the members as we celebrated our Scholarship Recipient Mikaela Baker from Smyer.



Members Lori Satterwhite, Terry Reynolds, Deborah Payne, and Liz Brandt take part in meeting discussions.



Members Sandy Parrish, Jaunice Tyson and Jolene Sweeney enjoy the Scholarship luncheon.



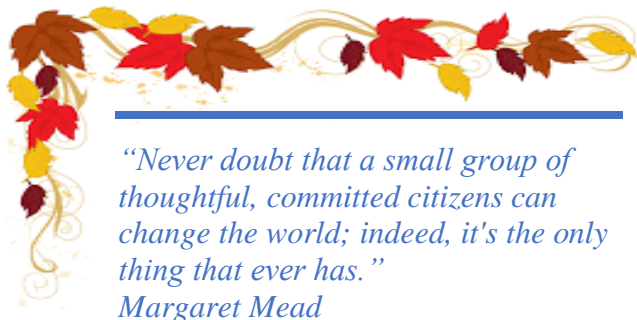
October Meeting notes:

Date and Time: Thursday, October 7, 5:30 P.M.

Location: Levelland ISD Board Room

Program Title: Living in a Hearing World

Community Service: Eula Lee Carter Scholarship, ASTEF "Mental Health Matters" grant project



Service Projects:

International Service Project: Schools for Africa

Local Service Projects: Bill's Backpacks
ASTEf grant "Mental Health Matters"

Theta Epsilon members contributed 121 food items to Bills Backpacks.



Joanna Runkles received a blue ribbon on her antique wooden butter mold at the South Plains Fair.

CHART gets 10 new books from Theta Epsilon members.



Area 12 Coordinator: Sonja Hanks

Area 12 Mentor: Patti Belknap

Calendar

Date	Time	Location	Community Service	Program Title
Thurs. Oct 7, 2021	5:30 P.M.	Levelland ISD Board Room	\$1 for Eula Lee Carter Scholar- ship	Living in a Hearing World- Whitney Meyer

Saturday, December 2021 TBD		Lubbock Women's Club	Area 12	Christmas Brunch/Tea
Saturday, January 22, 2022 (NOTE: Please make plans to pay your \$86 dues in March.)	10:30 a.m.	Levelland ISD Board Room	2nd ASTEF "Mental Health Matters" project & ASTEF Donation from Members Collected	Pacing & Planning & Happy Birthday (We'll have birthday cake to celebrate.)
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 23, 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
September		South Plains Fairgrounds-Lubbock	N/A	South Plains Fair (Want to participate again?)
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.)



10-18 Deborah Payne
11-14 Heidi Blair
11-14 Deb McVay
11-18 Catherine McMahan

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