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Tri-Chapter  
Dinner

Guest Speaker will be Shalan Inmon  
Texas State Organization President

Thursday, February 17, 2022 @ 6 PM  
Sombrero Mexican Grill

Alpha Omega  
Delta Theta  
Iota Rho

*attendees will order from the menu and be responsible for all associated gratuity*



## Minutes: January 10, 2022



Pat Parker  
Recording Secretary

**Delta Theta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International** met at First Baptist Church, Groves on January 10, 2022. The meeting was called to order by President Crystal Werkheiser. The meeting began at 4:30 pm with 14 members present.

**Meditation:** Wanda Borne gave the meditation for this month's meeting. Wanda inspired members to rise up to inspire, uplift, and empower others.

**Hostesses:** Marlyn Trahan led Denise Standley, Lori Halbert, and Susan Daigle in providing the wonderful refreshments. Great job, ladies!

**Birthdays:** The following birthday ladies were acknowledged:  
December-Kay Hooper, Lynne James, Lynne Hollomon, & Susan Daigle  
January-Wanda Borne, Paula Ryder, Staci Gary, & Denise Standley

### Officer and Committee Reports

**Recording Secretary:** The minutes of the November meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

**Treasurer:** Roxanne reported that we will be switching banks. Louise, Crystal, and Roxanne will open the new account at MCT.

**Membership:** Lisa Seaux reported that information for new membership will be distributed to members soon. She encouraged members to be thinking of people to invite and encouraged them to bring them to Tri-Chapter.

**Programs:** Tri-Chapter meeting will be held at the Sombrero Mexican Grill on February 17th. Our guest speaker will be TSO State President Shalan Inmon.

**Personal Growth & Achievement:** Brandi invited members to submit nominees for the Friend of Education award.

**Global Awareness & World Fellowship:** Marlyn encouraged members to share their blessings and donate to the Blessings Box. Andi Miller announced that their family is blessed because all of her grandchildren are well and thriving.

**Scholarship:** Pat Briggs encouraged anyone who wants to help select a recipient for the scholarship given at the PNGISD awards ceremony to please contact her by mid-February as the selection process will begin around March.

### Meeting Program:

Roxanne Ferguson introduced Taylor Blount; Event Admission Coordinator for the Beaumont Children's Museum who presented a program entitled "Fun with the Beaumont Children's Museum." The museum opened in 2008 and has expanded their offerings every year serving Beaumont and surrounding cities. She encouraged members to visit the museum and take advantage of some of the following offerings: field trips, classroom kits, health & education programs, Family Fun Saturdays, & educational camps. Follow the museum on Facebook @Beaumont Children's Museum for the latest information on programs and initiatives.

**Area II Report:** Susan Daigle, our Area 2 Coordinator, visited our meeting today and shared some news. She encouraged members to consider attending the TSO Convention in Lubbock this year. She asked members to mark their calendars for the Area 2 Workshop to be held on September 10, 2022. She encouraged members to reach out to prospective members and invite them to a meeting for friendship and fellowship.

**Announcements:** Crystal Werkheiser reminded members that dues will be \$100 this year and that it will be due no later than June 1. Members can pay ½ in April and ½ in May if they need to. Roxanne encouraged members to reach out if they have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Crystal Werkheiser for Pat Parker



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PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL GROWTH OF WOMEN EDUCATORS  
AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

January 2022



Roxanne  
Ferguson

Balance on hand January 1, 2022 \$1738.87

Receipts

Total cash received \$0.00

Disbursements

Total disbursements \$0.00

Balance on hand January 31, 2022 \$1738.87

**\*\* All banking was moved over to MCT \*\***

## Calling New Sisters

Membership time is here! With the start of a new year, Delta Theta has set a resolution to initiate new members! Recommendation forms are due this month, and we hope to see many new friendly faces. Our schedule for membership is as follows:

March – Nominees will be introduced and discussed at the meeting

April – Voting

May – Initiation of new members

How about inviting prospective members to the tri-chapter dinner? This is a great way to introduce her to Delta Kappa Gamma.

For more information see  
First Vice President and  
Membership Chairman  
Lisa Seaux.



## Requests from Beaumont Children's Museum

Please bring your items to the March meeting.

- Crayola watercolor paints
- Washable markers
- Crayons
- Glue sticks
- Glue bottles
- Large pom-poms
- Craft sticks
- Googly eyes
- Construction paper
- Chalk
- Baby wipes

## February Birthdays

4 Melanie Howard

9 Vanessa Spiegel



## World Fellowship

As we move forward through 2022 we are focusing on our blessings of this past year instead of only remembering the tough times. I know we've all been through a lot, but if you are like me, we have so many things in which we should be grateful. To show our gratitude, please bring your donations for World Fellowship to our next meeting. The deadline for donating is March 15, 2022. So far, through your generosity, we have raised \$89!



Thank you!  
Marlyn



## DKG Member Spotlight

### Meet Wanda Borne



I was born in San Diego, California on January 1, 1943 and moved to Texas in 1953.

I enrolled in the fifth grade at Tyrrell Elementary, then Woodrow Wilson Jr. High, and finally to Thomas Jefferson where I graduated in 1960. I married my high school sweetheart in 1961. Along came kiddos: Brian 1963, Kenneth 1968, and Brenda 1970. There are a lot of good memories but it only took a couple of bad ones to end a marriage of 25 years.

I knew that I had to do something to take care of my children. I enrolled in college at Lamar Port Arthur in the fall of 1984 and graduated from Lamar University in the summer of 1988 with a Bachelors Degree in Computer Science and Mathematics. I worked small jobs to keep me afloat. By this time, I only received child support for one child. That support ended in September 1988. The time between August 13 until September 25, miracle after miracle took place. God took such good care of me and my children. I was blessed to hire in with Nederland ISD and retire 18 years later in May of 2006.

I enjoyed my years at Nederland. I taught Computer Science and Math. I honestly loved Math the most. I was invited to attend a conference in Austin. I sat in on a presentation that was being developed for Math students who were weak in Math. Students who were strong in Math attended Math classes every other day while the slower students were put in an every day Math class. I brought this idea back to Nederland. I wrote a proposal for this new idea. To my surprise, my proposal was accepted. I became the lead teacher to see if this every day schedule would help the slower student. I kept stats and compared these student grades to regular students' grades. We saw success! I also saw confidence in these every day students.

More miracles happen. In 1995, I was blessed with a second family. Thad Borne came into my life with 3 daughters; I had two sons and a daughter. However, we managed not only to blend our two families but found that we were multiplying. At present we have 35 members including four great grandchildren and another on the way due in May.

The Walk to Emmaus was a special time in my life. I entered the Walk (a three-day weekend) as a Pilgrim. I learned so much about myself as a follower of Christ over the next ten years. I grew strong in my faith and received a Peace I had never known before.

Volunteer work: I am the treasurer of TRTA District 5 and Local Unit Mid-Jefferson County RSP.

Church: I am an Elder, teach Sunday school, attend our Pastor's bible study group, and lead a lady's study.

Playtime: Play ponytail canasta, 3-13 cards, reading, and travel (very little these days).

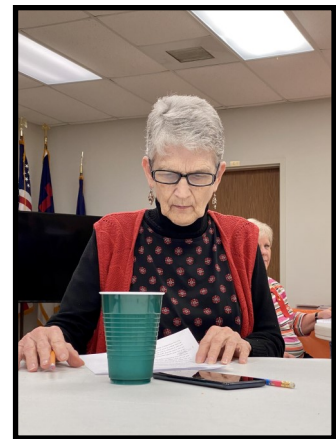
Scripture: Reading and studying Scripture is my absolute favorite.

Jesus said to Paul (and to me), "My grace is sufficient for you; for my strength is made perfect in weakness." II Cor 12:9

## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### NOVEMBER

Could you be a  
Founder of Delta  
Kappa Gamma?



### DECEMBER

Santa for Seniors  
Collection and  
Distribution.

