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OUR VISION

"Leading women educators impacting education worldwide"

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

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President's message

Hello Delta Theta Sisters!!!! It was so good to see each other at the September meeting and I can't wait to see everyone else who couldn't make it. I knew rescheduling the September meeting would cause some problems, but we will always make decisions to protect our members. We can't wait to see everyone in early October. Our October meeting will focus on the Heroes and Programs That Keep Our Students Safe. We will have Sargent Clint Nichols, the PNGISD School Resource Officer, give an overview of the current programs and initiatives regarding school



Crystal Werkheiser
President



safety in the district. Our service project for this month will be to deliver goodie baskets with individually wrapped goodies for the officer in both the Port Neches and Groves Police Departments. Please bring individually wrapped goodies to add to the baskets for each police department that will be delivered by DKG members.

October meeting

Date: October 4 2021

Time: 4:30 PM

Place: First Baptist Church Heritage Hall, 4000 Grant, Groves

Meditation: Brandi Martin

Hostesses: * **Mary Simon**, Wanda Borne, Linda Harrison, Kay Hooper, Lynne James

Program Title: Heroes and Programs That Keep Our Students Safe

Program Summary: School safety programs are the most effective when the team is Multi-disciplinary and takes a collaborative approach to plan for safety, security, and emergency management. Sargent Nicols, the PNGISD School Resource Officer, will give an overview of the current programs and initiatives regarding school safety in the district.

Program Facilitators: Crystal Werkheiser, Lisa Seaux

Service Project: Goodie Baskets with individually wrapped goodies for PNPD and GPD

Music: *The Delta Kappa Gamma Song*

Minutes: September 20, 2021



Pat Parker
Recording Secretary

Delta Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met at First Baptist Groves on Monday, September 20, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President, Crystal Werkheiser at 4:30. There were 11 members and 1 guest present. Recording Secretary, Pat Parker, was present and recorded the meeting minutes.

Meditation: The meditation was provided by Louise Lattimore. Louise read from the book All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten written by Robert Fulghum. It contained Life Lessons learned in Kindergarten that are carried into Adulthood. She closed with a prayer for all students and teachers to have a safe and successful school year.

Hostesses: Members were treated to a special "Welcome Back" cake and tea. A special Thank You to our hostesses: Paula Ryder, Crystal Werkheiser, Lisa Seaux, and Zara Holmes for the delicious treat.

Program: Brooke Landry, Community Engagement Coordinator with Samaritan Counseling presented the program "Mental Health Needs in Today's School Environment." She shared how they screen High School Students at PNG for any possible problems with mental health. They can then target students that might have potential problems and offer them counseling. Through this program they are strengthening the systems of health within the community by providing high-quality mental health resources. Through collaboration with community partners and dedication to the young lives in SETX, the Wellness Program at Samaritan Counseling helps high school students build the foundation for a healthy life.

Business: There was no new business discussed.

Announcements:

- Newsletter articles for October are due to Louise by September 24th.
- Committee Chairpersons Notebooks need to be brought to the October meeting so they can be redistributed to the new committee chairperson.
 - Ceremonies and Necrology- Angela Abel
 - Professional Enrichment and Scholarships- Pat Briggs
 - Education Excellence/Programs & Services Co Chair- Susan Daigle and Denise Standley
 - Nominations- Ann Daniels
 - Finance- Roxanne Ferguson
 - Research & Archives/ Bylaws and Rules/ Legislation- Lynne James
 - Communications & Publicity- Crystal Jordan
 - Personal Growth & Achievement- Brandi Martin
 - Hospitality- Paula Ryder
 - Membership- Lisa Seaux
 - Global Awareness/World Fellowship- Marlyn Trahan
 - Audit- Louise Lattimore
 - Technology- Crystal Werkheiser
- Read Newsletter so you will know if you are responsible for anything for the upcoming meeting
- Remind sign up information found in Newsletter and email
- October meeting service project- bring individually wrapped goodies to put in baskets that will be delivered to the PN and Groves Police.

Service Project: Educator Outreach

We are LUCKY to have you on our team at PNGISD goodie bags for new teachers to the district. Members assembled goodie bags for 34 new teachers. Bags will be distributed by members to the following schools: 1 at Alternative Education Center; 14 at PNGHS; 5 at GMS; 2 at PNMS; 3 at GE; 2 at PNE; 2 at Taft; 2 at VB; and 2 at the Early Learning Center. DKG information pamphlets have been made available to all female educators in the district.

October Meeting information:

Meeting October 4th at FBC Groves

Program: Heroes and Programs That Keep Our Students Safe

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Parker



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



TREASURER'S REPORT

July - August 2021



Roxanne
Ferguson

Balance on hand July 1, 2020	\$2123.62
Receipt	
Dues/ Fees	1894.00
World Fellowship	30.00
Total cash received	\$4047.62
Disbursements	
Sate Dues and Fees	567.00
International Dues	1080.00
Roxanne Ferguson - Pins	53.75
Scholarship - Macie Reeves	500.00
Total disbursements	\$2200.75
Balance on hand August 31, 2021	\$1848.87

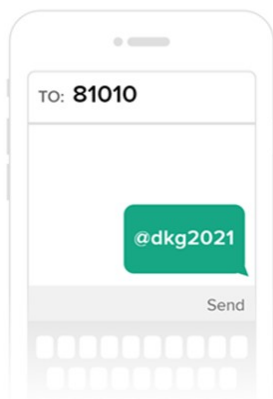
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October Birthdays

26 Sandie Jordan



Area 2 Coordinator
2021 - 2023
Susan Daigle

ASTEF: It's Our Birthday

On September 17, 2010 many dreams were fulfilled as ASTEF came to be more than a dream but a reality.

The Board of Directors thanks everyone who has played some part in making ASTEF a huge success. Your generosity has made dreams come true for countless Texas children, students, and educators!

As you plan your programs for the upcoming year, consider asking an ASTEF Director (current or former) to speak or use some of the many resources found on the ASTEF website (www.astef.org) with more being added soon. It's the perfect time for a program on ASTEF.

Remember, February is ASTEF Foundation Month/Giving Month. As always the Board has many exciting things planned for this special month. You won't want to miss out on these.

Happy Birthday ASTEF and thanks to ALL!

JOURNEY
Which way will you go?

DKG Member Spotlight

Meet Zara Holmes

- I am married to Josh Holmes. We have two kids together, Mason and Andrew. Mason is four and Andrew is two years old.
- I am going into my third year of teaching at PNGISD. I teach English II and I am also the Head Cheer Coach. I love working at the Best High School in the Universe.
- I am always striving to learn new things I can implement into my classroom/teaching practices. I hope to one day go back for my Masters.
- I love spending time with my family. I also like to do anything that gets me up and going! I love reading when I have down time.
- I love learning more about cheer and how to better improve myself. I am always interested in anything that my kids want to participate in.
- I love to travel to different places, especially with my children. We are actually going to Disney during Christmas time this year. That will be a first for me!
- As an English teacher who is always reading, picking a favorite book is hard for me. I always will love the classics that will stick around for years to come, but I also love reading more modern books. I love reading books that are not predictable and keep me awake at night.
- I think that life gets harder as you get older. You face certain situations that will affect people other than yourself. I think that when we are faced with decisions, we need to keep in mind that we are always trying our best. Sometimes we knock it out of the park and sometimes we strike out.
- One of my favorite quotes that I will always reference is from our 26th president, Theodore Roosevelt. "Believe you can and you're halfway there." Something about this quote always helps me approach situations that are daunting or seem too big to tackle.
- "Be still and know that I am God" -Psalm 46:10 This verse helps me stop and think about him. It gives me strength to know that he is with me. It also helps me be fearless when I am nervous or scared. God will always protect.



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COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Here are the new Committee Chairpersons for this year. We are super excited to have these ladies in leadership ready to help our members. Congratulate the following ladies for their dedication to service.

- Ceremonies & Necrology--Angela Abel
- Professional Enrichment & Scholarships--Pat Briggs
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If you are no longer a committee chairperson or if your committee chairmanship has changed, please bring the committee notebook to the October meeting so that it can be redistributed to the new committee chairperson.

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Purposes

1. To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship.
2. To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education.
3. To advance the professional interest and position of women in education.
4. To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators.
5. To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators.
6. To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action.
7. To inform the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society.

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

