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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Lisa Collins

Hello Delta Epsilon Sisters,

Welcome to winter!!! Did the groundhog see his shadow the other day? It has been an interesting last couple of weeks with all of the snow flurries. We were so excited with the first sighting of snow, but now that we may have to make up days of school because of the weather it is not as fun anymore. Hence the old adage, "We are never satisfied with what we have, always looking at the grass on the other side."

The journey of my last year as your president is winding down quickly. I have sent in all the chapter reports to state, yet we still have some important business affairs to finalize. The **first** would be our slate of officers for the next two years. Have we (Nomination Committee) gotten our list together? **Second**, do we (Membership Committee) have a list of candidates for new membership? We need to make sure we have this paperwork ready for our meeting on Tuesday, February 11, 2014. **Third**, I received a message from Bobbie Fagan about chapter rules. It is time to update them again by April. I know there are times when it seems like you are being asked to do a lot, but since our memberships has declined the last couple of years, in order for things to get done we have to take on more responsibility. Therefore I thought this quote would be encouragement to us all. **"The difficulties and struggles of today are but the price we must pay for the accomplishments and victories of tomorrow."**

William Boetcher

Mission Statement:
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education

As always, I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting this Tuesday. We will have Ricky Kenner as our guest speaker for the day. If you have specific questions for him on financial matters, please write them down, along with your name so he can follow-up with you if time is limited.

Have a great week and be sure to invite a guest!!
Lisa

February Meeting Location

Please note: The next meeting will be February 11, 2014 at Pine Ridge Elementary Library in Livingston at 4:30 p.m.

Program Title: "Money Matters"

Don't forget to use our phone tree for reminding each member about upcoming meetings. Then let's carpool with other members to come to this meeting.

Red Roses and Congratulations:

We would like to give **Red Roses** to some faithful members of our chapter and who are still actively participating and they are **Joanne Westmoreland** and **Mary Nell Rainey**. Joanne Westmoreland was initiated as a member in 1972 and Mary Nell Rainey was initiated in 1984.



CONGRATULATIONS for your loyalty and service to our chapter!!



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (DKG) is today a worldwide organization with a presence in 18 countries.

We work with the United Nations to improve opportunities for education in other countries as well.

Upcoming Events..... Mark your Calendar



Feb 28:

- Upload Chapter Profile

Mar. 1:

- Applications for state scholarships
- New Chapter Officer Nominations 2014-2016
- Prepare forms for new member initiates

Mar 15:

- Complete Annie Award with display board

Apr 1:

- Chapter Rules to State



February Birthdays

- Alvene Galloway Feb 6

February Hostesses

- Lucy Kuntz
- Karen Butler
- Cheryl Timko

Would You Like to Travel to China?

We Teach China is a program where teachers train Chinese teachers five days a week and receive free private lodging, meals, and tours in Nanjing and the city where they teach. In addition, teachers receive a stipend of approximately \$800.

If you are interested in this exciting opportunity check out the website:

www.weteachinchina.com



Valentine's Day Trivia

- In addition to the U.S., Valentine's Day is celebrated in Canada, Mexico, United Kingdom, France, Australia, Denmark and Italy.
- The most fantastic gift of love is the Taj Mahal in India. It was built by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan as a memorial to his wife.
- In the 1800s doctors commonly advised their heartbroken patients to eat chocolate, claiming it would sooth their pain. To this day, many women find comfort in a box of chocolates when dealing with heartbreak.
- A love knot is a symbol of undying love, as its twisting loops have no beginning and no end. In the past, they were made of ribbon or drawn on paper to prove one's eternal love.
- Every Valentine's Day, the Italian city of Verona, where Shakespeare's lovers Romeo and Juliet lived, receives about 1,000 letters addressed to Juliet.
- About 3 percent of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.
- 220,000 is the average number of wedding proposals on Valentine's Day each year.
- In the U.S., 64 percent of men do not make plans in advance for a romantic Valentine's Day with their sweethearts.

Paint the Town Red and Gold!

It is time to begin planning to attend the 85th Texas State Organization Convention in Lubbock, June 19-21, 2014.
Convention Information: www.2014convention.weebly.com



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