

# Chalk Duster

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

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Sherry Kenner

Small Talk President's Message:

Delta Epsilon Sisters, our March meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> will be our last chapter meeting of the year. Only meeting left will be our Founder's Day meeting on May 2. Soon, I should receive and invitation to pass on to you about that special meeting.

We have really journeyed far this year in mind and matter and our time together has even strengthened our *heartstrings*. Based on our February meeting, Delta Epsilon is alive and well. I think you will like the fund-raiser report that Kathy will share. We did have 3 visitors at the meeting and I need to know if anyone indicated an interested in becoming a member of our chapter. Let me hear. Aren't we proud of our newest chapter members and the impressive contributions they have made to our sisterhood and to our meetings?

At our meeting on Tuesday, I will share specifics about our Founder's Day Program plans. Come prepared to accept a part as we unfold history associated with the great leaders responsible for founding our society. *Sherry* 

# **March Meeting Location**

Please note: The next meeting will be March 10 at **Pine Ridge Elementary School Library** 

#### 4:30 PM: Refreshments 4:45 PM: Meeting

Program Title: Scavenger Hunt: The Texas State Organization of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International web site. http://www.dkgtexas.org/

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



# **Red Roses and Congratulations:**

A very special thank you goes to Gina Greaff for providing the Valentine's Photo Booth.

Red Roses go to Lucy Kuntz for her lovely Memorial Remembrance to our own Jenarie Alexander. Lucy's personal recollection of Jenarie painted a vivid picture that will long reside in our hearts and minds.

We would like to recognize and say thanks to the amazing hostess of our monthly meeting— Annette Adkins, Gina Greaff, Amee Scarberry, and Melinda Stryker



# Valentine Fun





# Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Delta Epsilon Chapter – Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2015 Woodville Middle School – Woodville, Texas

The regular meeting of Delta Epsilon Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was called to order by our president, Sherry Kenner at 5:12 pm.

Collect was read by Charlotte Hartley.

The program "Heart String Vibrations" set the stage for fun fellowship with Delta sisters in the celebration of Valentines Day. The meeting included a silent auction of a variety of gift baskets that could be given to your love one or someone special. All of the gift bags were unique and gorgeous. Several gift baskets would catch the eye of a chef, or maybe you were looking for a spa experience. Perhaps the opportunity to try your green thumb would appeal to the Valentine you had in mind. The bidding was fun and everyone anxiously kept a close watch on the bidding of their favorite basket. The fund raiser was a success.

Also, members enjoyed showing off their poses with the Photo Booth. Sherry Kenner and Gina Greaff provided the photo booth.

Sherry welcomed our guests. Cindi Cooley, a past president of Delta Epsilon and the high school counselor at Woodville. Ashley Hennigan, the counselor for Woodville Middle School and Vicki Sheffied, who teaches 8th English at Woodville Middle School.

The Woodville Grant-In-Aid, Heather Wood was unable to attend. Annette Adkins will present the Grant-in-Aid to Heather.

The January minutes need to include Kathy Weaver has a committee member for the Founders Day Program at the Tri Chapter meeting that will be held in Silsbee on May 2, 2015.

Kathy Weaver, Treasurer presented the monthly financial report.

Lucy Kuntz presented a remembrance of her aunt, Jenarie Alexander. Jenarie was a member of Delta Epsilon. She passed away on Dec. 24, 2014 at the age of 86. Jenarie's education career carried her to be an elementary coordinator at Goose Creek Consolidated in Baytown, Texas. Jenarie was the one who first implemented

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the Kindergarten program for Goose Creek. When she retired the Kindergarten teachers made her a book to show their appreciation. Lucy shared of how Jenarie always looked at the positive side and encouraged others. She took pride in her dress and always wanted her nails to look their best. Lucy shared "Jenarie's Good Stuff" which is a collection of poems that Jenarie cherished. Lucy gave members and guest a copy of the poems. Paula's memories of Jenarie was her singing "One Day at a Time Sweet Jesus" and the laughter she brought when she was Dolly Parton. Mary Neil said she was a "Polish Southern lady with a beautiful soul."

Sherry addressed the chapter of the details of the Tri Chapter meeting in May. The committee members and chapter members will confirm the final planning for the Founder's Day program at the next meeting. Membership and attendance awards will be given at the Tri-Chapter meeting. Karen Butler shared the April meeting may have a few changes. She will provide details of the meeting place and communication will be given to members.

Sherry directed the members to the attention to the scholarship fund. A scholarship of \$25 will be placed in the scholarship fund to honor a deceased member as outlined in the By-Laws. This transfer of \$25.00 from the general account to the savings/scholarship fund will beginning with Jenarie Alexander.

Sherry asked members to remember of the best meetings for 2013-2015 for a report. Members quickly agreed the most memorable meetings were the Nov. 2013 meeting at the Tea Room in Woodville, the May. 2015 Western theme/Founders Day Program at the Methodist church in Livingston, and the Nov. 2014 meeting at the Tea Room in Woodville with state visitors.

The hostesses were Annette Adkins, Amee Scarberry, and Gina Greaff. The door prize winner was Gina Greaff.

The meeting was adjourned. The remaining of the evening continued with the silent auction and Photo Booth.

Respectfully submitted Annette Adkins

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Upcoming Events..... Mark your Calendar

#### April 1

- Annie Award Applications due
- Communications Awards
  Applications
- Contributions to state funds
- ASTEF Project applications due

#### May

- 1: PACE Award Application due
- Five Star Award 5 newsletters due
- 2: Delta Kappa Gamma Founders' Day, 1929

#### June

- 25-27: 86th Texas State Convention - Grand Hyatt Hotel, San Antonio
- 30: Fiscal Year and State Organization Biennium ends

#### **March Hostesses**

- Frances Camp
- Alvene Galloway
- Joanne Westmoreland

#### Collect

Lisa Collins

### Technology

"Techno-Tips" is a monthly publication created by the Technology Committee. Their goal is to provide us with up-to-date technology information to assist you and our chapter in the 21st century. January 2015 title is "Creating Goggle Forms". You might want to check it out. http://www.dkgtexas.org/publications.html



#### **April Birthdays**

- Mary Nell Rainey April 8
  - Ernestine Mitchell April 24
- Joanne Westmoreland April 30

#### **Meeting Reminders**

- Bring ASTEF "piggy bank" change, and dollar contribution for the rose vase drawing.
- Sherry wants to know if you have received any recognition or honor during this year either at work or in the community. Email the information to Sherry. Don't be bashful.
- At our meeting on Tuesday, Sherry will share specifics about our Founder's Day Program plans. Come prepared to accept a part as we unfold history associated with the great leaders responsible for founding our society.
- Service Project: Canned Goods for Caring-n-Sharing Relay for Life Donations

#### **Convention Information**

#### 86<sup>th</sup> Convention

We are waiting for YOU to join us in San Antonio! FUN! We have an exciting new schedule for our 86th Convention which includes a Ceremony of Remembrance on Friday morning and a spectacular Chapter Presidents Presentation. FUN! Come join the Fiesta! By the way, this year there will be no pre-convention party; so, if you arrive on Wednesday, you will have plenty of time to explore the fabulous San Antonio River Walk.

Nancy Newton, President Texas State Organization For 86<sup>th</sup> San Antonio Convention Information go to site: http://86thtsoconvention.weebly.com/

# **Graphics Citation**

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