

April 2021

Gamma Eta News

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Texas State Organization, Gamma Eta #79, Area 12 Serving Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Kent, King and Motley Counties

Terri's Tidbits



I hope all of you had a wonderful Easter!

Could it be that Spring has sprung and brought with it new motivation for getting things accomplished.

Our Gamma Eta April 12 meeting will be the last for the 2020-2021 year. I hope you will make plans to attend. The meeting will be held at the Lubbock Christian University Library and the hostesses are planning and ready to welcome you. Tiffany Harkins will be presenting a wonderful program about our National Parks. Plan to bring your own drinks as we do not have access to kitchen facilities. Do not forget to text Donna Anderson at <u>donnajoa@yahoo.com</u> with your plans to attend.

At the beginning of the year, I asked each of you to find a word that you felt you could focus on for this year. I chose the word balance and must continually focus on balancing the work and stress of life with things that I enjoy. I would love to know how your word is impacting your life so far this year. Hopefully, some of you will share at the meeting. You can always text or email me with your progress and/or frustrations with your word.

Hope to see all of you on April 12!

Terri

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Upcoming Meeting

Monday, April 12, 2021 5:30 p.m. LCU Library, Lubbock Program Title: National Parks Founders' Celebrated Program Facilitator: Tiffany Harkins Lubbock Hostess Group: (Donna, K Dee, Terri, Tiffany H., Tiffany M., Joy) Contact Donna @ donnajoa@yahoo.com

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Service Projects

International Service Project:

Schools for Africa Support Early-Career Educators State Service Project: CASA of Denton Chapter Service Project: "Pandemic Thank You Notes" to Area Educators

2020-2022 Officers

President: Terri Egerton First Vice President: K Dee Anderson Second Vice President: Tiffany Harkins Recording Secretary: Janie Wigley Corresponding Secretary: Jean Williams Treasurer: Sharon McDougle Parliamentarian: Donna Anderson

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!! <u>http://www.dkg.org/</u> <u>http://www.dkgtexas.org/</u> <u>http://www.astef.org/</u> <u>http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TX-gammaeta/</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/449077138462200/</u>



ASTEF Ticketed Extravaganza at the 2021 TSO Convention will be on Friday, June 18, 11:00-12:15 right after the

ASTEF Annual Meeting. Johnny Quinn, former Olympian, will be the featured speaker.

He will entertain, energize and empower ASTEF event attendees. For more information visit dkgtexas.org or astef.org.



Future Meeting

Monday, September 13, 2021 5:30 p.m. Spur FUMC Program Title: The Key to Understanding Tiny Houses Program Facilitator: Debbi Ball Spur Hostess Group: (Merla, Debbi, Pat, Stephanie, Anna, Rhea)

> Monday, October 4, 2021 5:30 p.m. LCU Library, Lubbock Program Title: DKG Resume Program Facilitator: K Dee Anderson

April Birthday

April 24: Anna McArthur



Gamma Eta Sisters Care

Prayers for Stephanie Martinez and family for the loss of an uncle due to COVID.

Prayers and quick healing for Kent, husband of Vicki Sellers, as he recovers from knee replacement.

It's time to pay your chapter dues.

I am so excited that 43% of our chapter members have paid their dues for 2021-2022. That only leaves 57% who have not paid. The dues are \$80.00. You don't want to be the last one.

You can give me your dues at our April 12, 2021 meeting in Lubbock or you can mail your dues to me:

Sharon McDougle 107 West Birch Crosbyton, Texas 79322 If you can't make the meeting, maybe someone from your area can bring them. **DON'T BE THE LAST ONE TO PAY!**

Sharon, Treasurer

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Minutes of the March 1, 2021 Meeting

The Gamma Eta Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met on Monday, March 1, 2021 at First Methodist Church in Spur. Eleven members and one visitor attended the meeting in person. Three members attended the meeting by ZOOM.

After a potluck meal provided by members present, notes of thanks were read from Brenda Karr and Cristy McClenny. The chapter joined together to sing "Happy Birthday" as we celebrated the 83rd birthday of our chapter. As the icebreaker, Janie Wigley, TSO Women in the Arts Committee member, gave a brief history on the camera and photography. She noted that photography has come a long way since the first simple camera in 1880's to our digital cameras carried in our pockets.

Terri Egerton, President, called the business meeting to order. Debbi Ball gave an update on the recent ASTEF online auction, Golden Ticket and February Giving Month. The January 11, 2021 minutes printed in the February 2021 *Gamma Eta News* were approved as printed. Sharon McDougle, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$1,934.87. This balance is after the April 1, 2021 donations are sent to TSO in the amount of \$132.00. Sharon reported a balance of \$379.00 in our Brags Bucket.

Sharon also reminded members that dues need to be paid prior to July 1. However, she did ask that members pay dues promptly as she would like to have dues in so she could pay with one check after our meeting on April 12. Chapter dues are \$80.00 with an extra amount always appreciated.

Members lead by K Dee Anderson, 1st Vice President, voted to send thank you cards to staff in our 6 county area as our project for 2021. Janie Wigley will purchase thank you cards and we will write the notes at our April 12th meeting. It was also decided that we will purchase ads in *The Texas Spur, Caprock Courier*, and *Crosby County News* to express our thanks to administrators, teachers, and support staff for their work during this pandemic.

Members approved a \$13.65 expense. This money will be sent to Area Coordinator Judy Evans to be added to other chapters in Area 12 for an ad in the 2021 TSO Convention Program as a remembrance of Mary Rowlett, Past TSO President from Area 12.

Our visitor, Samantha Hardin, is submitting her application to ASTEF for the Aspiring Educator Grant. Application is due March 1, 2021. Janie Wigley encouraged members to apply to be an ASTEF Director. Application form is found at <u>astef.org</u> with an April 15 due date.

Our program for the evening was presented by Debbi Ball. Debbi lead the group in making Fairy Lights. Debbi had instructed a group in making this craft in January 2020 at the Spectacular Texas Art Retreat (STAR) at Camp Allen, Navasota, Texas. The members present enjoyed the time of crafting and fellowship as did the members who joined by ZOOM.

Meeting was adjourned with the cleaning up of our glitter and glue.

Next meeting will be at Lubbock Christian University's Library with the program, Celebrating our National Parks, presented by Tiffany Harkins. That night we also will be celebrating the Founders of DKG.

Respectfully Submitted:

Janie Wigley, Recording Secretary



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Donna taking care of ZOOM duties.



Debbi instructing Jean on the fine points of Fairy Lights.



ZOOM attendees: Terri, K Dee and Cristy



Sharon and Merla cutting out their fairies.



Cristy showing off her Fairy Light.