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Gamma Eta News



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Deb's Doodles



I have been thinking about what to write in my Doodles this month that would not be a rerun of last month's Doodles. I thought back to the beginning of March when Benny and I were preparing a trip with five young ladies to Dallas for BPA state competition. The news of the virus hitting our country was covered by the media. The planners for the convention had taken precautions and made recommendations on what we could do to stay "healthy." I hit the store and bought disinfectant wipes and small bottles of hand sanitizer for everyone to us on the trip and in the hotel. If I knew then what I know now, I would have made Benny stop on the way home and fill every empty spot in the van with toilet tissue, sanitizer, and Lysol for us to bring home to our families. Talk about "hindsight."

I continued my reflections of these past days. There have been many disappointments and unwelcome changes. Teachers have been forced to learn how to teach from their homes. Students have been forced to become more dependent on their own skills and how to develop them: something that is challenging for them, but something they need to know. Parents have become more aware of what teachers go through each day and night of the school year and summer. Families have had to make financial decisions on what is most important in their changed budgets. Seniors who were looking forward to their last prom, their last opportunity to make a mark in athletic and academic competition, had it disappear in front of them. But they also realize that they are the class that will be remembered throughout history for this pandemic. People are taking every opportunity they can to go outside and enjoy the sunshine and the spring awakening of our environment. But people's own opinions and nerves are wearing thin. There are some that say we are afraid and do not trust God to take care of us because we choose to follow the recommendations of our national, state, county, and city leaders. Some of us even question those recommendations, but do not know what else to do.

I have had plenty of "blue moods," just wanting to crawl into a ball and wait for everything to end. But I have also celebrated through the highs of new revelations of what my life means to me and those around me. I hope the same for you. We have realized through this experience that there is a way for us to stay together even though we are apart. We are sisters in a grand society that was built on change. As a chapter, we are learning that we can embrace technology and meet online. That is coming soon. Please check your emails regularly for more information. We are all teachers. Whether we are active or retired, we never stop learning and teaching ourselves and others. Get ready, sisters. It is our time to shine.

"Some changes look negative on the surface, but you will soon realize that space is being created in your life for something new to emerge." ~ Eckhart Tolle

Wishing you health and sanity,
Debbi

Upcoming Meeting

Area 12 Workshop
Saturday, September 19, 2020
8:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Raintree Christian Church
3601 82nd Street, Lubbock
Program Facilitator: Judy Evans
\$15.00 due to K Dee by June 1



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April 20, 2020

TSO Members,

With the health and well being of our membership being of utmost importance, the TSO Executive Committee met via Zoom on Friday, April 17, 2020 and voted to cancel our 91st TSO Convention in McAllen.

Members that have registered for this Convention will receive a check for a full refund minus any donation made to the ASTEF Decade Donors. Those donations will be sent to ASTEF. Please allow the McAllen Convention Treasurer several weeks to get the refunds processed and mailed.

If you have already made a hotel reservation you must contact the hotel to cancel. All hotel numbers are available on the Convention website at dkgtxas.org. You will need your confirmation number and your credit card to do this.

Information about Presidents and Treasurer training will be forthcoming.

My hope is that neither you nor any of your family members have been affected by this virus.

YOU are the Key!

Patti

Patti Belknap

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Coming to an Area Workshop near you!

Area 12

Visual Arts Display

Saturday, September 19, 2020
8:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Raintree Christian Church
3601 82nd Street, Lubbock

Display opened to any form
of crafts and collections.

Contact Janie Wigley
jwigley69@gmail.com
with your name and chapter
and list of item(s) up to 3 to be displayed.

Stay In and Stay Safe!



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Service Projects

International Service Project:

Schools for Africa
Support Early-Career Educators

State Service Project:

CASA

Chapter Service Project:

Brags for Grants
Visual Reality Goggles

2018-2020 Officers

Debbi Ball, President

Terri Egerton, 1st Vice President

Janie Wigley, 2nd Vice President

Lindy Stafford, Recording Secretary

Joy O'Steen, Corresponding Secretary

Sharon McDougale, Past President

Linda Spurgin, Parliamentarian

Future Meeting

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3601 82nd Street, Lubbock

Program Facilitator: Judy Evans

Monday, October 5, 2020

Spur FUMC

Program Title: The Key to Understanding

Tiny Houses

Program Facilitator: Debbi Ball

Hostess Group: Spur

(Merla, Debbi, Pat, Stephanie,
Anna and Rhea)

May Birthday

May 17: Nancy Harrison

Janie Wigley, Editor

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!!

<http://www.dkg.org/>

<http://www.dkgtxas.org/>

<http://www.astef.org/>

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TX-gammaeta/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/449077138462200/>

2020-2022 Gamma Eta Officers

President: Terri Egerton

First Vice President: K Dee Anderson

Second Vice President: Tiffany Harkins

Recording Secretary: Janie Wigley

Corresponding Secretary: Jean Williams

Appointed by Executive Board:

Treasurer: Sharon McDougale

Parliamentarian: Donna Anderson

Mail in your Dues!!

Mail dues to:

K Dee Anderson

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Lubbock TX 79407

Chapter dues are \$80.00

Please remember to send

K Dee Anderson

\$15.00

for Area 12 Registration.

Delta Kappa Gamma Mission

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

Delta Kappa Gamma Vision

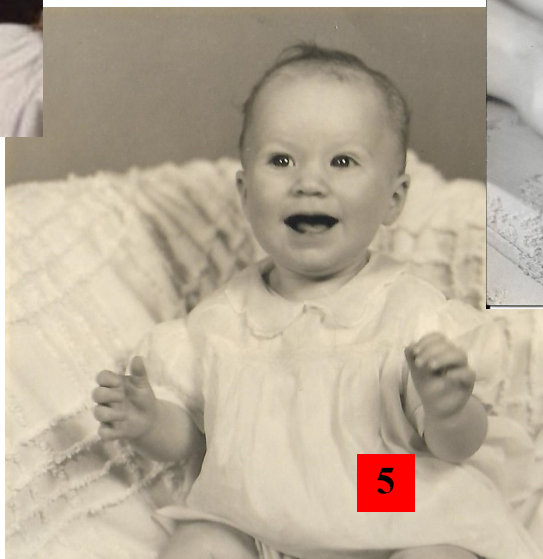
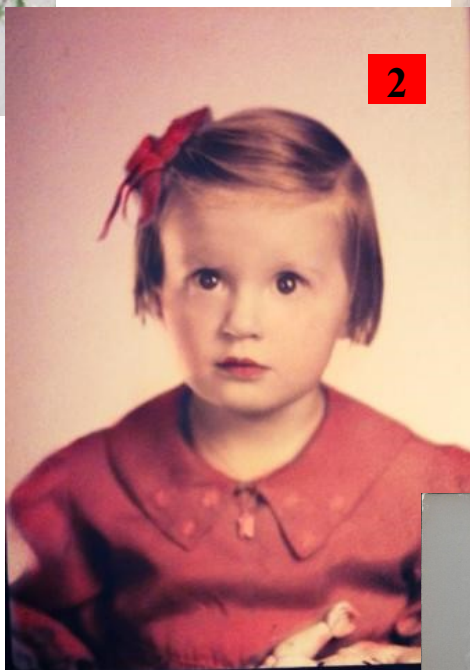
Leading women educators impacting education world wide.

Delta Kappa Gamma Theme

DKG: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide



Who's who?



Make a Match:

- A. K Dee Anderson
- B. Pat Hightower
- C. Joy O'Steen
- D. Linda Spurgin
- E. Merla Watson
- F. Janie Wigley