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Gamma Eta News



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Serving Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Kent, King and Motley Counties

Deb's Doodles



As I write this edition of Deb's Doodles, I realize that it is September 23, the first day of Fall. There is coolness in the air, but only because of the rain and overcast skies. I saw a post of Facebook today that said, "Fall in Texas: Pumpkins, Mums, Shorts, Flipflops." One way or another, we will have our Fall and celebrate it as we can. A change in the season means changes in other ways, too.

As TSO members, we have already experienced the change of the Society's change in the fiscal year along with paying dues at a different time. Now all we have to do is continue with that new schedule as we conduct our business.

Janie and I experienced some unexpected, but welcome, change this weekend as we attended and worked our first ASTEF Board of Directors meeting. Many members have mentioned that this is the hardest working board they have ever experienced. They were right. Janie and I made it home, dragging along the way. But the things we learned about ASTEF and DKG were amazing. And you lucky ladies are going to get to hear all about it because both of us are on fire about what ASTEF does along with DKG. The main thing I learned is that ASTEF is not a part of DKG: they are separate entities. But they work together to accomplish the same goals.

I ask you to keep our sisters that are experiencing this flooding in constant prayer. One of our board members did not make it to the meeting until Friday afternoon because the roads to her house were flooded. We really did not expect her to make it, but she did. Then we heard Saturday morning that Rhonda Posey, ASTEF President, would have to take a different, longer route back home due to the bridge being damaged on I10. Barges came loose during the storm and tore up the supporting columns underneath the bridge. There is no telling how long that will take to fix.

I do hope that many of you are planning on attending the October meeting at LCU Library in Lubbock, October 7. Due to the length of the program, we will not be having a business meeting. Bring your own sack meal to enjoy during that time. Our own Joy O'Steen, who is an internationally certified StrengthsQuest coach, will be presenting the program. We will be offering 1 hour of CPE credit to those that wish to receive it. Cost for the credit is \$10, but there is no cost if you do not want or need the credit.

"Every leaf speaks bliss to me, fluttering from the autumn tree."
Emily Bronte

Love and blessings to all,
Debbi Ball

Upcoming Meeting:

Monday, October 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
Lubbock Christian University's Library
Program Title: Teach with Your Strengths
Program Facilitators: Joy O'Steen
BYOB (Bring your own by picking up at a fast food restaurant or bringing somethings from home.)
Please note the time change to 6 p.m.



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Minutes of September 9, 2019

The Gamma Eta Chapter of the Delta Kapa Gamma Society International held its September 9, 2019 meeting at First United Methodist Church in Crosbyton. Twelve members enjoyed a meal provided by the Crosbyton hostess group.

Debbi Ball, President, called the meeting to order. Mrs. Ball announced that the October 7, 2019 meeting will be at Lubbock Christian University's Library. Joy O'Steen, an internationally certified StrengthsQuest coach, will be our speaker. The chapter is offering 1 hour of CPE credit for \$10.00 for any woman educator in our area to attend and receive 1 hour credit. Mrs. O'Steen is donating a door prize of the book and more.

The program for the evening was presented by Terri Egerton, Lubbock, Sharon McDougale and Janie Wigley both of Crosbyton. The program title was "Globe Trotting with Global Awareness". The three chapter members had traveled to Reykjavik, Iceland to attend the DKG Professional Research and Practices International Conference. Mrs. Egerton presented a slide show of the GoAhead Tour the threesome plus David Egerton went on after the conference. Ms. McDougale gave a report about the conference and details on education in Iceland. Mrs. Wigley provided a brief summary of Texas State Organization grants/scholarships that are available to members.

The next meeting is Monday, October 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be a BYOB (Bring Your Own Bag). Member and visitors are encouraged to stop at a fast food restaurant or bring a snack from home. The meeting will be in the Library at Lubbock Christian University. One hour of CPE credit will be available for the program "Teach With Your Strengths".



Service Projects

International Service Project:

Schools for Africa
Support Early-Career Educators

State Service Project:

TBA

Chapter Service Project:

Braggs for Grants
Visual Reality Goggles

Future Meeting

Monday, November 11, 2019

FUMC Spur

Program Title: Keying in on the Arts

Program Facilitator: Janie Wigley

Hostess Group: Spur (Debbi, Pat, Stephanie,
Anna, Rhea and Merla)

Monday, January 6, 2020

FUMC Matador

Program Title: Unlocking the Mystery of Donations

Program Facilitator: K Dee Anderson

Hostess Group: Matador (Nancy, Chelsea, Lindy,
Brenda and Cristy)

Birthdays

October 6: Janie Wigley

October 7: Tiffany Harkins

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 McDougle, Past President

Linda Spurgin, Parliamentarian

Facts About ASTEF



- Alpha State Texas Educational Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization created for the purpose of providing funding for activities that support professional and personal growth of women educators in Texas.
- ASTEF awards **scholarships** to women educators in Texas who wish to advance their degrees and/or obtain additional certifications.
- ASTEF funds **leadership** events designed to supplement and enhance leadership, communication, and management of Texas women educators.
- ASTEF provides stipends for **projects** that support professional and personal growth of women educators in Texas, and promotes educational excellence for Texas students.
- ASTEF awards grants for aspiring educators in Texas.

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



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WE'RE ON THE WEB!!

- <http://www.dkg.org/>
- <http://www.dkgtexas.org/>
- <http://www.astef.org/>
- <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TX-gammaeta/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/449077138462200/>

Keys to Membership
 by Janie Wigley

Keys to an active membership:

- Read the *Lone Star News*
- Invite a prospective member to attend a meeting with you
- Call a member who has missed a meeting
- Carpool to a meeting...it's great fun



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Gamma Eta Sisters Care

A report on Anna McArthur: Anna is back home in Spur. Prayers for her continued recovery.

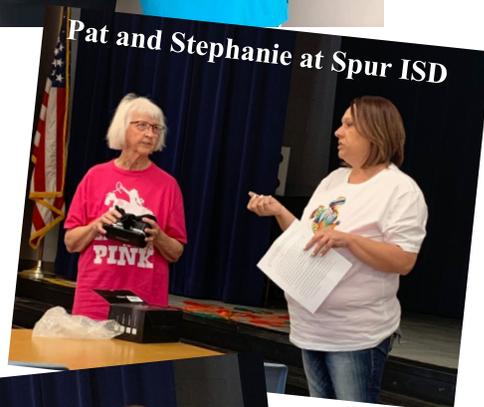
Prayers for Van, Lindy Stafford's friend, who remains in treatment in Lubbock.

2019 Virtual Reality Goggles Delivery Days at Schools

Linda and Vicki at Crosbyton ISD



Pat and Stephanie at Spur ISD



Terri and Jean at Lorenzo ISD

