



# Gamma Eta News

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## Delta Kappa Gamma Mission

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

November 4, 2013  
Vivian Morris' home  
Crosbyton,  
5:30

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## Words from Wigley

“Hello, this is Annie calling!!” Well, maybe not Annie Webb Blanton, but it was Vivian, Susan, Debbi, Lindy and Karen...I think you get my message. I am so very proud of each one of you who made a contact with a former member. We found out that many of our former members had moved and left no forwarding address; however, we did make contact with several of these ladies.

Now we have to step up one more time as we look forward to our Reunion Fiesta on Monday, November 4, at Vivian Morris’ home. Invitations were mailed on October 16 so it is time to make contact with those that said they would think about it or gave a definite “yes”. Please call again and invite them to ride with you!!

Our program for Monday, November 4 is entitled “The Times—They are a Changing”. The program will be presented by Vivian Morris, Jean Williams, Debbi Ball and Elisha Reese. These ladies will visit the past, check on the present and look to the future. We will have an abbreviated business meeting so our focus can be on our former members. Also, Deborah Payne, our Area Coordinator, will be at our meeting on Monday.

Tuesday, November 5 is Election Day with 9 Propositions on the ballot. Review them at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/2013-sample-ballot.pdf> and then be sure and vote!

The 2014 Lubbock Steering Committee is working hard to get preliminary things done for the TSO Convention June 19-21. Please let me know if you are willing to serve on a committee. Debbi Ball also can be contacted. She has a list of committees that she needs filled. I know there is a place for you to participate during this Convention. Rhea, Donna and Jean have their names on our list and I hope that we will have more. Just as the challenge was made in our September Gamma Eta Newsletter to have 100% attendance at the Convention, let’s have a very good showing in committee work as well.

Remember your Ticonderoga Black #2 pencils for our Kids Kubbies Project. We will be collecting pencils all year so pick up a package each time you shop!!

Fall blessings,  
Janie

# Paint the Town Red and Gold

Janie Wigley, Publicity Chairman

Get ready for the 85<sup>th</sup> TSO Convention to be held in Lubbock at the Lubbock Civic Center, June 19-21, 2014. The 2014 Steering Committee is hard at work planning the details of a convention that will educate, inspire and encourage each member who attends. As we Expand the Vision of DKG, there will also be opportunity to “Paint the Town” as Lubbock offers many educational, entertaining, and exciting venues.

Lubbock has four campus of higher education—Texas Tech University, Wayland Baptist University-Lubbock Campus, Lubbock Christian University, and South Plains College. Pick one or visit all the campus. Whether it’s “Wreck ‘em Tech”, “Guns Up WBC”, “Go Blue LCU” or “Go SPC Texans” enjoy West Texas hospitality.

The heartbeat of Lubbock’s nightlife is the Depot District. Live music, abundant dining, fun-filled entertainment and shopping galore can be found in the Depot Entertainment District.

Tour a museum, visit a winery, or relish the vitality of agriculture—all this and more just by making the journey to Lubbock to “Paint the Town Red and Gold”.



Member listen as Susan share history of her home and her style in decorating it. The members enjoyed a tour of her home from front door to back patio all decorated by Susan with her money wise ideas. And with the help of some of her special friends Gamma Eta member Merla Watson and Marcella Bilberry.

Other pictures of the tour will be posted to our web site <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TX-gammaeta/> and our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/449077138462200/>.

## Service Projects:

- International Service Project: Schools for Africa
- State Service Project: TBA
- Chapter Service Project: Kids Kubbies

## Welcome

Pumpkins and Scarecrows welcomed members of Gamma Eta to the home of member Susan and Trip Chastain. Susan explained to us that her pumpkins were decorated by using black contact paper and duck tape. Susan says, “ I like to use things more than once this way I can take off the contact paper and duck take and use them in November.” Way to go Susan!



85th Texas State Convention  
Lubbock Convention Center  
Lubbock, TX  
June 19-21, 2014  
100 % Attendance at State

## October Minutes

Gamma Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met in the home of Susan Chastain in Spur, Texas on October 4, 2013 for a regularly scheduled meeting. We had one guest, Katie Anderson, daughter of member, Donna Anderson. Katie is currently the Librarian at South Plains College in Levelland.

Patsy Weems, 1st Vice President, welcomed guests in President Janie Wigley's absence. She thanked Susan for inviting all of us into her home.

Susan gave a brief history of her house which was built in the early 1950's. She stated that she goes to Pinterest to get good, cheap ideas to use in decorating her home. She also borrows ideas from friends. She suggested that we find our individual decorating style and stay with that, and she told us that we can go to the web to take a style test. She explained that she used duck tapes and contact paper on the pumpkins and flower pots to make Jack-o-Lanterns. The stuffed pumpkins around the house were made from burlap materials Susan found at craft stores, a stick from her yard, and some Spanish moss and leaves. She stenciled words on some of the burlap with permanent markers.

We were then treated to a tour of her home finding fall decorations in every room. After the tour, we enjoyed a wonderful meal of Corn Chowder, Green Chili Chicken Soup, and Broccoli Cheese Soup, crackers and baguette toast, peach cobbler, and Vanilla Bean ice cream.

Patsy Weems called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved, and the treasurer's report was given by Cheryl Hindman. After last month's meeting, a deposit of \$1,505.00 was made giving us a balance of \$2,651.70.

Committee reports were given. The audit committee had no report.

Legislative committee head, Vivian Morris, reminded all retired teachers that their dues of \$25.00 to TRTA were due, and that TRTA does important work for teachers.

Cheryl Hindman asked members about address corrections for the Annie Calling print out that our chapter would use to contact past members. Yearbook committee chairman, Vicky Sellers, requested that all members check their addresses for her.

As an action item, Amy Jarrett's resignation was read. Jeanne Williams made the nomination to accept the resignation with regret, and Brenda Karr seconded. Motion carried.

Patsy reminded everyone that next month's meeting will be at Vivian Morris's home in Crosbyton. Past members and prospective members are going to be invited to the "Reunion Fiesta".

The Gamma Eta Angel current holder, Debbie Ball, presented the Angel to Susan Chastain. Patsy reminded everyone to send cards to Linda Hicks as her husband, Bill, has been ill. Sharon McDougal has had knee replacement surgery and is recovering but could use some encouragement and cards.

The meeting was adjourned with the singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma song.

Delta Kappa Gamma  
Vision ~ Leading women  
educators impacting  
education world wide.



## Chapter Announcements

### Happy Birthday

Jean Williams 7th  
Vicki Sellers 13th  
Chelsea Read 14th  
Cristy McClenney 15th  
Rhea Melton 15th

### Prayer Concerns

School Staffs and Students

### Joys

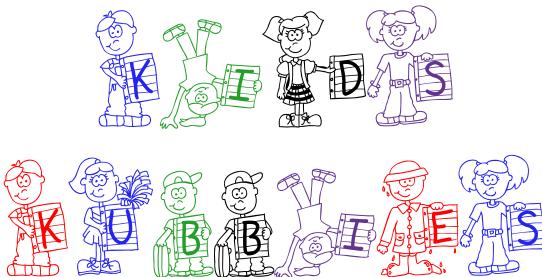
Beautiful West Texas Fall



WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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

## Chapter Project



Members are urged to gather school supplies for the students in our county schools. Made available for area teachers when the need arises. When you go shopping just a few items every time will add up over time.

The *Lone Star News* is online this month. It has lots of interesting information. Looking for money for your classroom check out the grants for \$1000 for employed educators. Deadline Nov. 15, 2013.

## Future Meetings

November 4, 2013

Vivian Morris' Home, Crosbyton

5:30 pm / Hostesses Crosbyton A & B

**Expanding the Vision: Encourage, to Re-instate, Recruit and Retain**

Jean Williams, Debbi Ball and Elisha Reese will welcome Gamma Eta's former members to join current members in a fiesta that will celebrate DKG



December 7, 2013

Lubbock Women's Club

TBA/ Lubbock

**Holiday Tea**

Holiday Tea which is annually hosted by a Lubbock chapter extends an invitation to all chapters in Area XII to join them for their Holiday Tea.

### November

Crosbyton A & B

Vivian Morris  
Linda Hicks  
Patsy Weems  
Cheryl Hindman

Sharon McDougle  
Ruby Cook  
Janie Wigley  
Vicki Sellers

### December

Lubbock Chapter