Heart to Heart

My heart is just busting open!!! I’m so proud of my Gamma Eta sisters!! At the 86th Texas State Convention Gamma Eta was a star. I was thrilled as I watched 50 year member Vivian Morris honored before and during the Birthday Luncheon. Vivian looked beautiful and was the bell of the ball as far as I was concerned. 2014-2016 Chapter Presidents were presented on Friday night and I was beyond proud to look out and see Debbi Ball, Brenda Karr, Sharon McDougle, Vivian Morris and Jean Williams smiling back at me. At the ASTEF Business Meeting I was privileged to share about our Kids Kubbies project and recognize Nancy Hall and Vivian Morris as two of our namesakes present at the meeting. Then to be called back up on stage as a recipient of another stipend was awesome.

Fast forward just over a month and my heart is busting again. On August 10th eight members meet and packed boxes for 8 schools, 84 teachers and 1089 students!!! Linda Hicks, Brenda Karr, Sharon McDougle, Deborah Raatz, Chelsea Read, Lindy Stafford, Jean Williams and I sorted, counted, packed, wrapped, tied, labeled and transported boxes for Gamma Eta’s Kids Kubbies project. All those boxes just caused my heart to bubble over!!

Now, it’s time to get the new school year started! I pray for the teachers that are still in the trenches to have a calm, smooth start to their year. For the retired teachers, I hope that we don’t rub it in too much!!

Gamma Eta is ready to start the year as well. Our first meeting will be September 14th at 5:30 p.m. at Patton Springs. Donna Anderson and Sharon McDougle will lead the discussion of “Surviving PT”. Bring your best suggestion or even your best story to share of your experience with PT after shoulder, knee, or hip surgery. Remember to have your dues or arrangements made about your dues by this meeting. October 17th we will be on the road to Snyder for a joint meeting with Beta Epsilon, Gamma Tau and Zeta Lambda.

From my heart to yours,

Janie
2015 TSO Convention

Gamma Eta members in attendance were Debbi Ball, Jean Williams, Vivian Morris, Janie Wigley, Sharon McDougle and not pictured here was Brenda Karr.

Vivian Morris celebrated her 50th year in the organization and was recognized at the Birthday Luncheon. She received flowers from her cherished friends who were so proud to call her one of their very own.

Service Projects:

International Service Project: Schools for Africa

State Service Project:

Chapter Service Project: Kids Kubbies
Kids Kubbies

Gamma Eta sisters were busy as beavers assembling the Kids Kubbies, delivering them, and meeting with all the teachers in the area. This is our second year to be awarded a ASTEF stipend.

Janie’s little red wagon needs new tires after all the deliveries this year!
May Minutes

GammaEta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met May 4, 2015 at the Patton Springs School for a meeting celebrating Founder's Day. Fifteen members and three guests were present. After a delicious dinner served by the Patton Springs hostess group, Vicky Sellers led an ice breaker which encouraged us to never forget the special ladies who were our founders.

Christy and Machaia McClenny presented a program they took to New Mexico, Kansas, South Dakota, and Washington. Christy had received a DKG scholarship and had presented the program to students at Patton Springs.

The business meeting was called to order by President, Janie Wigley. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as written. The chapter has $1,651.15 as reported by the treasurer. Vivian Morris led the initiation ceremony for Debra Raetz, a first grade teacher at Crosbyton. Vicky Sellers presented Debra to the group.

Perfect Attendance Awards were presented to Sharon McDougle and Rhea Melton. Members who wore their pins to every meeting were: Jean Williams, Janie Wigley, Karen Rothwell, Vivian Morris, Rhea Melton, Sharon McDougle, Brenda Karr, Cheryl Hindman, Linda Hicks, Debbie Ball, K-Dee Anderson, and Donna Anderson.

Gamma Eta has 377 years of experience counting active and retired members. The number of years of teaching by retired members was noted: Vivian-35, Jean-33, Sharon-39, Linda-33, Brenda-35, Lindy-35, Donna-26, Rhea-25, Janie-21, and Chelsea-41.

Media Awards will be presented to "Caprock Courier", "Texas Spur", and "The Crosby County News".

The announcement was made that our President, Janie Wigley, will begin duties as our Area Coordinator on July 1, 2015.

Our next meeting will be on September 14th at Patton Springs School at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Note from Sharon: Dues are $80.00 if you have already started your monthly payments great. Let’s try and get these turned in before our joint meeting in October in Snyder. Please see Sharon to take care of them plus our fund raiser projects. But they aren’t due till October so she will take your money until then.

"The Heart of the Society is its Members".
Chapter Announcements

Happy Birthday
Brenda Karr Sept. 27th

Prayer Concerns
Staff and Students of our Schools
Rain for our Communities

WE'RE ON THE WEB!
http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TX-gammaeta/
https://www.facebook.com/groups/449077138462200/

Chapter Project

Remember our “Pencil Ladies” pencils can be found at Wal-Mart, United and Target.

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Future Meetings

September 14
Patton Springs  Home Ec  5:30
Greeter: Patsy Weems
Icebreaker: Vivian Morris
Program Category: Professional, Personal, Societal, Fellowship
Program Topic: Expand the Vision: Educate
Program Title: Surviving PT Program
Summary: Karen Rothwell and Sharon McDougle will share their experiences with knee and shoulder surgeries, ligament damage, etc. and explain the importance of physical therapy and maintaining a viable work/exercise schedule as well.

September
Brenda, Cristy, Donna, K-Dee

October
Paid Meal

October 17, 2015 10:00 a.m.
Snyder Women’s Club Snyder, Texas
Program Category: Professional, Personal, Societal, Fellowship
Program Topic: Expand the Vision: Educate members on bulling issues
Program Title: Bullying—How to Make a Difference
Program Summary: Mark Williams, San Angelo Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, will be speaking on experience and on his book written about bullying. Gamma Eta will travel to Snyder and have a joint meeting with Beta Epsilon, Gamma Tau and Zeta Lambda. Program Facilitator: Janie Wigley Delta Kappa Gamma Purposes: I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII Committees: No reports