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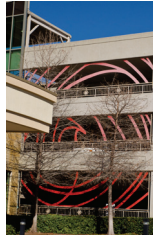
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Frisco's art will inspire the imagination

City support has made Frisco, Texas, an outstanding place to view and interact with art. With over 60 pieces of public art located near schools, fire stations, city parks and public buildings, visitors to Frisco can't go far without encountering interesting pieces that are integrated into their surroundings.



Celebration
by Jim &
Mary Lynn
Bowman



Cuerpos
Celesiales
by Rolando
Briseno

TSO members won't have time to see all of the art, but they can focus on specific areas and pieces of art. A good place to begin is the voids in the parking garage of the Embassy Suites. The metal works are called "Cuerpos Celesiales" (heavenly bodies). Inside the hotel/convention center, art is everywhere. A spectacular sculpture called "Celebration" is surrounded by a glass ceiling and walls to allow light to highlight the blown glass art.

At the entry of the Dr Pepper Ballpark, where members will be watching the RoughRiders on Friday, is a bronze sculpture of a baseball pitcher.



The Pitch
by Gail Folwell

Those members who go shopping at the Centre at Preston Ridge will encounter depictions of a cattle drive from the Sawnee Trail days. This is the longest continuous-themed bronze sculpture collection in the United States.

Besides the public funded art, the largest private collection of Texas sculptures on public display without a charge is in Hall Office Park at Gaylord and the Dallas North Tollway. Forty large-scale pieces, all owned by Craig Hall, are featured in the sculpture park with an additional 100 pieces of artwork presented in and around the Office Park.



Dancers MM
by Jerry Daniel

Craig Hall believes, "Art is good for the soul. It nurtures the spirit and inspires the imagination." As members walk or ride around the park, they will surely smile at the interpretations by the artists. Some ideas are easily recognizable while others require an imaginative eye. The Hall Office Park outdoor art is open dawn to dusk daily and the indoor art in the 15 buildings is open weekdays 9-5 and Saturday from 9-noon. A map is available in 6801 Gaylord Parkway's lobby.



Bronze Cattle Drive
by Anita Pauwels



Tar Roses by
Dennis Oppenheim

Members interested in other public art works in Frisco can search <http://www.ci.frisco.tx.us/708/Public-Art> for art and locations.



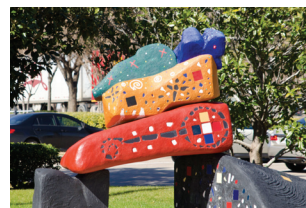
Balanced by
Andrew Rogers



La Mujer Roja (The Red
Woman) by Michelle O'Michael



Maternal Caress
by Eliseo Garcia



Quanta: Celtic Spirit Catcher
by David McCullough



Roadrunner with Lizard
by Joe Barrington

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The Heart of the Society is its Members



Marilyn Gregory
Texas State President
2015-2017



The third goal for the biennium is Achievement—"to achieve our goals as leaders in our chapters and recognize our accomplishments as key women educators." Individual members, chapter leaders and chapters are encouraged to work on their goals and, as they achieve those goals,

set new ones.

In life, everyone has personal goals which might include education, personal health, family, friends and a job. DKG members are no different. As they accomplish their goals, the achievements can be added to their resume and updated in their DKG profile on the international DKG website to keep their information current.

As a leader of Delta Kappa Gamma, on the chapter, state or international level, individual goals are set to fulfill responsibilities. When a member says "yes" to a position, she grows as a person even if it means to step out of her comfort zone and challenge herself to learn by participating. She will set goals to lead, encourage others to lead and plan ahead to prepare others to take on leadership roles, which ensures a healthy Society.

Once the chapter evaluates its need for improvement, the chapter sets its biennial goals. All members are encouraged to help in establishing the goals so each member has ownership in the future of the chapter. As members work with the chapter to achieve the intended objectives, they are contributing to the chapter success. By using the Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE) as a guide, chapters can set their goals, work to accomplish their goals, evaluate and adjust their goals, and celebrate their achievements.

Achievements of members, chapter leaders and chapter accomplishments merit recognition. Chapters may use the state and chapter newsletters as well as state and chapter websites to highlight member and chapter accomplishments. Celebrating the achievements of key women educators is a good idea; success is contagious and leads to new ideas and opportunities.

Chapter presidents will be meeting in Frisco for leadership training in their new positions. This training provides many of the tools that presidents need to carry out and grow comfortable in their duties. In fact, all members attending the convention will learn ways to grow when they attend breakout sessions, peruse Annie boards and talk with members from throughout the state about DKG. Being part of a state convention is a great way to develop an appreciation and understanding for membership in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Betty's Buzz

Betty Vines
Executive Secretary/Treasurer



Frisco, here we come. Hopefully that is the philosophy of all of the chapter treasurers and many TSO members.

Plans are being finalized for many break-out sessions at convention. At the top of the list are two sessions being held for treasurers. In one session, seasoned treasurers will be challenged with thought-provoking situations faced by all treasurers. For those treasurers who are interested in focusing on the basics, a different session will be held. Chapter finance chairs, as well as any member, will also find these sessions informative.

Annie's Attic will again have a booth at convention. Come and shop for DKG related treasures.



Treasurers, be prepared. You are going to be bombarded many times with the following message. Read carefully what is located in the box below.

As of March 2016, the IRS has a new 990-N filing procedure. The Urban Institute will no longer be processing the filings for the IRS. You will go directly to the IRS website and process your filing there. We will provide a direct link on the DKG website at www.dkg.org. You will need to create a first time users login and password. Then follow the procedures for filing. Your old username and password will not work.

Remember all of our chapters and coordinating councils must file between July 1 and November 15 each year. If you do not file for three consecutive years, your chapter or coordinating council exempt status will be revoked by the IRS.

Treasurers: Bits of wisdom regarding the 990-N.

- A good idea is to file the 990-N at the same time you complete the Treasurer's Report that is due July 15. Do not wait until November 15 to file!
- A copy of your receipt should be sent to the TSO office in Dallas and we will acknowledge its receipt. It may be sent electronically.
- The staff at Headquarters is very willing to help you, but **YOU must file. The staff cannot file for you.**

All Members! Contributions are welcome anytime, but recognitions in the convention program are based on the April 1 deadline.

All Members! Your membership number is becoming more and more important. Keep it handy!

We, your staff, want to take this opportunity to thank you for your dedication to the Society. We look forward to seeing you at convention.

At-A-Glance Deadlines

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| May 1 | PACE application Reports for convention program Int'l Cornetet for professional dev. application |
| June 1 | Personnel Expense Reports Recommendations for appointments to Int'l comm |
| 15 | Reports to ASTEF for awarded projects |
| 23-25 | 87th TSO Convention |
| July 1 | Filing opens for IRS 990-N E-Postcard |
| 5-9 | Int'l Convention Nashville, TN |
| 15 | Chapter treasurer's annual report |
| 23, 30 Aug 6, 13, 27 | Area Workshops |
| 15 | LSN deadline |

Committees

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| June 22 | Executive Committee ASTEF Board |
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Meet the Frisco convention chairs



Mary Claire Welch, Eta Zeta-9; Judy Mezick, Iota Omega-9; Charlotte Nyman, Alphi Pi-17

Judy Mezick, Convention Steering Committee chair and native Texan, has observed phenomenal growth in the Collin County area for the last 35 years and is excited about welcoming members to the convention in Frisco.

Growing up in Dallas County and knowing from a very early age that she wanted to teach, she earned degrees from the University of North Texas and Texas A&M-Commerce and taught English in Queensland, Australia, for seven years before moving to Plano. This Iota Omega member spent most of her 43 years in education as a school counselor.

Charlotte Nyman, Convention Steering Committee co-chair, was born and raised in Louisiana. She earned a degree in home economics from Northwestern State University in Natchitoches and in elementary education from Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans. She has lived and taught in Louisiana, New Mexico and Texas, teaching home economics and K-6 in her 24-year career. Nyman left the teaching profession when her husband's job transferred them to Caracas, Venezuela, where they lived for four years. She currently lives in Texarkana and works part-time with The Texarkana Regional Arts and Humanities Council in its ArtsSmart Program.

Mary Claire Welch, Convention Steering Committee co-chair, is a small town girl at heart born in Refugio, Texas. She traveled to the big city of Fort Worth to attend Texas Christian University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in speech and language pathology. Just a short drive away at Southern Methodist University, she earned a master's degree required for the practice of speech pathology in educational and clinical settings. Welch served a wide variety of populations during her career. She enjoyed serving children in the educational setting for 30 years and working with adults in home health and long-term care settings.

Members rally behind TSO Unifying Project in Frisco

Lillian Hughes, Unifying Project Chair

All TSO members are encouraged to participate in *Heartlines to the Community*, TSO's Unifying Project, which will benefit Area 9's Hope Supply Co. and Area 17's Court Appointed Special Advocates. HSC and CASA are nonprofits that provide necessities and find safe homes for children. Members may drop off the chapter's gifts of new fleece blankets, new teddy bears, crayons, notebook paper, pens, and pencils at the Frisco Conference Center's registration area.



ASTEFL debuts new pin for all members



A new ASTEF pin will be available at the Frisco convention this summer. Pins will be reasonably priced to allow members to purchase pins for everyone on their list. These pins will make a great gift to recognize outgoing officers and to welcome your new chapter team.

Home2Suites by Hilton open for reservations

Home2Suites by Hilton is located just one block south of the convention hotel (Embassy Suites by Hilton) and Frisco Conference Center.



Home2Suites by Hilton 2000 Parkwood Blvd., Frisco

King suites are available for \$139. Rates include complimentary hot breakfast buffet, WiFi and parking. The hotel shuttle is available by appointment within a five mile radius. Reservations may be made through the TSO 2016 Convention website, <http://dkgtexas2016convention.weebly.com> Click on the lodging link for information.



The last day to make reservations at a convention hotel and get the group rate is June 2, 2016.

Embassy Suites and Convention Center have parking fees



The Embassy Suites and Convention Center share a parking garage. A daily fee of \$10 for hotel guests and \$5 for visitors will be charged for parking. An attendant will be on duty. Outside parking for the three overflow hotels is available at no charge. The mall is just east of Home2, and any overflow parking can park at the mall. The walk would be about one block.

Optional tours available during convention

Deborah Thomas, Archives Chair, and Jeanette Rhyan, Headquarters Chair

The Archives and Headquarters Committees are offering members the opportunity to tour the TSO Headquarters Building on Thursday, June 23rd.

Tour #1:
 Check in: 8:15 a.m.
 Departure: 8:30 a.m.
 Tour: 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
 Depart Headquarters: 10:00 a.m.
 Arrive at Convention Center: 10:30 a.m.

Tour #2:
 Check in: 9:15 a.m.
 Departure: 9:30 a.m.
 Tour: 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
 Depart Headquarters: 11:00 a.m.
 Arrive at Convention Center: 11:30 a.m.

Chapter presidents taking a tour should sign up for Tour #1. They will be back in time for presidents’ training. The cost is \$15 per person plus a tip payable to the driver at the end of the tour. To reserve a place on the tour, members should send \$15.00 to Jeanette Rhyan, 8800 Tyne Trail, Fort Worth, TX 76118. The deadline is June 16, 2016.

Members wishing to tour the TWU Archives may sign up at the Annie’s Attic Table and get maps and directions to Denton, Texas. Kimberly Johnson, her staff and an Archives Committee member will greet members and give them a tour of the archives. Transportation for the 26 mile trip is the responsibility of the members. Tour dates are June 23, 24 and 25.

Explore learning opportunities in Frisco

CPE — Continuing Professional Education

PDI — Personal Development Interests

SB — Society Business

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Thursday, June 23, 2016

Ruthie Estes

Legislative Panel Discussion (SB)

Kelly Broadus

You're a First-Timer...Now What?! (SB)

Friday, June 24, 2016

Tim Lee



Preservation of a Defined Benefit Pension Plan in a Defined Contribution World (PDI)

Known around the country as a passionate speaker and energetic leader, Tim Lee, Texas Retired Teachers Association (TRTA) Executive Director, began his career as an advocate for public education retirees in 1996 and took his position with TRTA in 2004. A strong advocate for protecting the defined benefit pension plan and other post-employment benefits, Lee will clarify your pension and your health plan for you.

Emma Joven & Nominations Committee

The Heart of the Matter (SB)

Dr. Elena Inanova

Traveling on a Budget (PDI)

Jane Garner

The Delta Kappa Gamma Song Revealed (PDI)

Natalie Eustace & Yearbook Committee

Texas State Yearbook (SB)

Michelle Grandinetti & Membership Committee

Reception Honoring 50 & 50+ Year Members (SB)

Carolyn Mashburn

Spectacular Texas Arts Retreat: Refreshing Your Spirit in the Piney Woods (PDI)

Kelly Broadus

You're a First-Timer...Now What?! (SB)

Mickey Cole

Using Short Stories to Teach Changing Values (CPE)

Shelby Santangelo



Women and Heart Disease (PDI)

Shelby Santangelo is an RN who has worked with cardiac patients in many capacities.

Sharon Gullett, Marsha Edney, Sonja Shultz

Capturing DKG Texas Memories (PDI)

Chris Morrison & Programs and Service Projects Committee

Annie Get Your Gun: Aiming for Some Great Meetings (SB)

Dr. Karen Duke

Making Chapter Programs the Heart of Your Chapter (SB)

Mandy Story, Bylaws & Rules Committee

Playing by the Rules: Getting Your Chapter Rules Updated (SB)

Bridget Savage, Ashley Ivy

How to Use Google Chrome to Navigate the WEB (PDI)

Darlene Hargett, Carolyn Mashburn

Generations: How and When You Were Born Determines How You Relate to Others (CPE, PDI)

Diane Moose

You Too Can Create a Website Using Weebly.com (PDI)

Sandra Morales, Dr. Alma Zertuche, Scotta Williams

Eula Lee Carter Memorial Fund (SB)

Phyllis Walker

Impossible Mission Force: Collaborative Discussion of Adaptive Strategies (CPE)

Dr. Gloria Crum

How to Care for Your Changing, Aging Brain (PDI)

Kitty Hutchcroft & Technology Committee

Using Google Handouts (CPE, PDI)

Friday, June 24, 2016 (continued)

Marilyn Gregory, Nita Scott

Information for Area Workshops (SB)

Kathy Martinez Prather

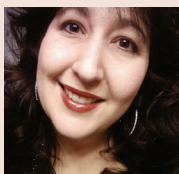
Bullying and Cyberbullying (CPE)



Kathy Martinez Prather is the director of Texas School Safety Center, a department of Texas State University. The Center offers a variety of subject matter expertise, research and support across a broad array of school safety and health-related fields designed to ensure the health, safety and security of all Texas communities and schools.

Kimberly Johnson

From Granny With Love: Everything You Need to Know About Preserving the Past and Caring for Tomorrow's Treasures (SB)



Kimberly Johnson is the Coordinator of the Woman's Collection at Texas Woman's University.

Michelle Grandinetti & Membership Committee

Membership 101: What's a Membership Chair to Do? (SB)

Cindy Drumm & Scholarship Committee

TSO Scholarships: "Show Me the Money" (SB)

Geralann Barnes

The 5W's of DKG (SB)

Dr. Betty Duke-Ruhd & Jennifer Bernabo

FUN with DKG (PDI)

Jeanette Zúñiga

Costa Rica: "The Happiest Country" (CPE, PDI)

Saturday, June 25, 2016

Dr. Barbara Baeth & Achievement Award Committee

Honoring Members' Achievements (SB)

Dr. Karen Duke

Strong Committees: The "Heart" of All Chapters (SB)

Deborah Thomas & Archives Committee

Archives — What Do We Keep and What Do We Toss? (SB)

Candy Carroll & Necrology Committee

Necrology — Beautiful Memories (SB)

Kitty Hutchcroft, Robyn Rucker

Edmodo in the Classroom or Chapter (CPE), SB)

Charlotte Rigsby Conner

Taking Your Chapter Newsletter into the Digital World (PDI, SB)

Kay Keeland

Global Communication (CPE)

Carolyn Grantham & ASTEF Directors

ASTEF — Five Years Later (SB)

Kay Bollom & Leadership Seminar Committee

Be a DKG Rock Star (PDI)

Risa McCann

Beyond the Pineapple — Hospitality Services (CPE)

Dr. Elena Ivanova

The Art Museum as a Teaching Resource (CPE)

Nita Scott & Sandra Bull

Sorting Through the Copyright Confusion (SB)

Patti Scott & EE Committee Chairs

EEC — Program Planning LIVE! (SB)

Kim Birkelbach, Trudy Mathus, Joan Cook,
Pam Cook

Communications and Publicity (SB)

Elke Eisenhauer-Sass

Need Money for Projects, Seminars or Professional Growth? (SB)

Francis Mahaffey, Dr. Pamela Ponnors

Technology for Communication—Let's Have a "Heart to Heart" (PDI)

Deb Acevedo-Tammiga & Music Committee

Using Music and the Arts in Your Chapter Meetings (SB)

Kitty Hutchcroft

Google for Education (CPE)

Lynda Anderson & Finance Committee

Money, Money — How Do You Spread It Around & Balance Your Budget (SB)

Diane Moose & Carol McMillan

Beyond Facebook: iPad Leisure Time Activities (PDI)

Dr. Debra Rockefeller

Expand Your Capacity for Happiness (PDI)

Saturday, June 25 (continued)

Michelle Grandinetti & Membership Committee
 Jeanette Rhyan
 Shalon Inmon & Sandi Causey
 Betty Vines, Leesa Cole & Cheryl Crawford
 Virginia Bowers & ASTEF Programs Committee
 Dr. Leigh Elizondo & Dr. Debra Rockefeller
 Marsha Edney
 Dr. Karen Duke
 Virginia Bowers & Ceremonies Committee
 Connie Rensink & Global Awareness Committee
 Kathryn Wright
 Michelle Grandinetti & Membership Committee
 Dr. Pamela Ponnors & Fran Mahaffey
 Shirley Owens

From Nancy Newmember to 50+ year Member (SB)
Are You As Smart As a DKG Founder? (SB)
The Role of the Chapter Secretary in the Digital Age (SB)
Become a \$tar Trea\$urer in 5 Ba\$ic \$tep\$ (SB)
The ABC's of ASTEF Applications (SB)
Technology 101 (PDI)
Operation Collaboration (CPE, SB)
The Power of the RESTING Brain (PDI)
Honor the Past, Present and Future (SB)
Building Global Awareness: The Traveling Teacher (PDI)
How to Conduct a Meeting Using Parliamentary Procedure (SC)
Conversations with the Membership Committee (SB)
Creating Your Own Virtual Reality (PDI)
Cowboy Puzzles, Card Tricks and Dr. Seuss: Introduction to Coding Concepts Without Code (CPE)

Jeannette Zúñiga



Jeannette Zúñiga, the DKG International representative to the TSO Convention in Frisco, was born in Costa Rica, a tropical country in Central America which is characterized by its nature, peace, and cordiality.

A Personal Touch Can Make a Difference (PDI) Saturday, June 25
Costa Rica: "The Happiest Country" (CPE, PDI) Friday, June 24

Michelle Bradberry & Kerry Wilson
 Carolyn Grantham & ASTEF Directors and Planning Committee
 Michelle Pitman & Elke Eisenhauer-Sass
 Allison Venuto
 Judy Reinhart
 Bobette Doerrie
 Donna Morehead & Research Committee
 Stephanie Doyen & Personal & Professional Committee
 Connie Rensink & Global Awareness Committee
 Betty Hill & Debra Mahlmann

Music, Movement & Literacy (CPE)
Come Travel with US—Become an ASTEF Traveler (SB)
DKG Next and You! (SB)
Classroom Organizing (CPE,PDI)
Early Career Educator (ECE) Exchange (SB)
What Are Students Understanding? A New Way to Know! (CPE)
Stitching in the Research Component (SB)
So What Can Personal & Professional Enrichment Do for Me? (SB)
Building DKG Global Connections (PDI, SB)
Pioneer Women: Haints, Haunts and Apparitions (CPE)

Panel discusses women, children and education issues

Ruthie Estes, Legislation Chair

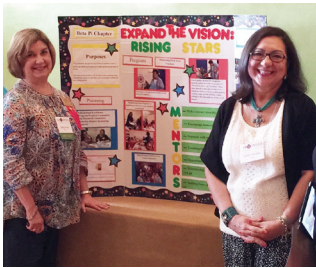
The Legislation Committee will be hosting a Legislative Panel Discussion on Thursday afternoon from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The committee has invited panelists representing the U.S. House, Texas House, Texas Senate, State School Board and The American Association of University Women (AAUW). Any member at the convention on Thursday who is not a part of the LDCP is urged to attend and to become informed on the issues concerning women, children and education.



Annie boards illustrate a variety of programs

Chris Morrison, Programs & Service Projects Chair

At the Frisco state convention, each chapter that is awarded a 2016 Annie for an outstanding program will have the opportunity to display a board with information about that program and any accompanying project. Members should spend some time browsing through the display area. They will go home with ideas for chapter programs and projects. Members can learn more about what goes into an outstanding program and project and more about the Annie application process by attending the breakout session “Annie Get Your Gun: Aiming For Some Great Meetings” which will be led by the State Programs & Service Projects Committee.



Nelda Perez and Adela Navarro, Beta Pi (Alice-5)

ASTE F Weekender offers shorter travel opportunities



For the past four years ASTEF has arranged group travel opportunities for members and non-members. Travels have included cruises to the Caribbean and Alaska as well as Road Scholar land tours to Williamsburg and Savannah. All trips included a modest donation to our Foundation, ASTEF.



This year ASTEF Travelers will embark on a new type of travel opportunity, an ASTEF Weekender. Many members have expressed the desire for a shorter, less costly trip with an "easy to get to" location. The ASTEF directors listened and are excited to introduce the first-ever ASTEF Weekender to Historic Galveston on October 7, 8, and 9, 2016.

The Weekender will begin Friday evening, October 7, and will conclude on Sunday, October 9, at noon. The trip price will include double room accommodations, five meals, transportation to area sights, entrance fees, and three group presentations. Single rooms are also available at a slightly higher price. Details will be unveiled on the ASTEF website, www.astef.org, in early May and during a break out session at convention. Questions can be directed to Barbara Derrick at BLSDerrick@aol.com or by using the advancement link under the Directors tab on the website.



ASTE F to hold annual meeting at state convention

The 2016 annual meeting of ASTEF members will be held during the TSO convention in Frisco. All TSO members are also members of ASTEF and are invited to attend this meeting.

Date: Saturday, June 25
 Place: Frisco 6
 Time: Immediately following TSO Business Meeting

Highlights of the meeting will include reports on ASTEF activities, awarding of ASTEF project stipends and announcement of Silent Auction winners. Add this to your convention schedule and plan to participate in the business of your state foundation by attending the ASTEF Annual Meeting.



Mary Yountz, Iota Pi (Ft Worth-10), accepts a 2015 stipend for an Early Career Educator chapter project.

Alpha State Remembers

We mourn the passing and celebrate the lives of those cherished members of the Society whose deaths have been reported to Texas Necrology Chair Candy Carroll between February 1, 2016, and March 31, 2016. They are reported by their chapter and place of residence at time of death using Form 6, Report of the Death of a Member found at www.dkgtexas.org under Committees, Necrology.

Patricia Weir, Theta-2, Frisco
 Shirley Felcman, Eta Delta-3, Houston
 Maxine Valentine, Epsilon Pi-4, Victoria
 Jean McLeod, Zeta Alpha-4, Bay City
 Dr. Marsha Kay Pool, Theta Alpha-4, Duncanville
 Marian S. Parrish, Zeta Rho-5, Raymondville
 Neva Chloe Gentry, Theta Gamma-5, Corpus Christi
 Rita Ann Travis, Beta Zeta-6, Fredericksburg
 Virginia Jo Rhodes, Delta Beta-6, Uvalde
 Annedelle Fincher Brantley, Epsilon Beta-6, San Antonio
 Anna Rose, Theta Beta-6, San Antonio
 Rebecca Peterson Thaxton, Theta Beta-6, San Antonio
 Marilyn Hudson Tucker, Mu Chi-6, San Antonio
 Dr. Timy Baranoff, Alpha-7, Austin
 Mary DeKok, Beta Theta-7, Houston
 Jane Dowell, Gamma Alpha-8, Gatesville
 Fredna L. Maultsby, Iota Omega-9, Plano
 Imogene Haun, Beta Upsilon-10, Eastland
 Jean Sittig, Theta Psi-11, Hixson, TN
 Waunita Schaffner, Gamma Epsilon-16, Bowie
 Betty Lou Clay, Gamma Sigma-16, Denton
 Joybell Schalk, Gamma Sigma-16, Gainesville
 Chesley Shirlene Hicks, Lambda Rho-16, Jacksboro
 Martha Dennis Buster, Theta Phi-17, Sumner
 Helen McDowell, Kappa Mu-17, Longview
 Judy Tipping, Kappa Omicron-17, Sulphur Springs
 Pauline Stichler Elliott, Delta Kappa-18, Hideaway
 Nova Dickson-Brown, Delta Kappa-18, Houston
 Ruth Hutto, Mu Pi-18, Kingwood
 Georgia Pena, Epsilon Delta-11, Muleshoe
 Louise Adele Dermody, Gamma Phi-13, Sonora
 Malaria Gorena, Rho-5, McAllen
 Beatrice Doris Ellison, Nu-7, Blanco
 Eleanor Williams Henderson, Epsilon Upsilon-5, Katy
 Lois Wilson McGarity, Alpha-7, Austin
 Frances Marie Wilson, Alpha Theta-7, New Braunfels

Gloria Campos, Dallas-Ft Worth news anchor, will be initiated as a Texas honorary member at a ceremony on Wednesday, June 22, from 4-5 p.m. in Frisco.

Member
News



Lluvonia Graham, Mu Alpha (League City-3), received her EdD from Walden University in Educational Leadership.

Twenty years after her death, **Barbara T. Warburton**, formerly of Lambda Eta (Brownsville-5), is having the Barbara T. Warburton Educational Center at Sabal Palm Sanctuary named in her honor.

Dr. Sylvia R. Reyna, Kappa Beta (San Antonio-6), was elected as Texas PTA Vice President for Programs and Resources and chair for the Governance Committee for the state association.

Diane Sikkenga, Beta Theta (Bastrop-7), has received a Cornet Individual Professional Development Award in the amount of \$1,146.18.

Judge Mary Lou Robinson, Texas honorary member from Amarillo (Area 11), is a Texas Legal Legend who was highlighted for her accomplishments in the *Amarillo Globe-News*.

Theta Theta, (Area-10), was recognized by the Birdville Council of PTAs with the *Big Heart Award* for participation in the Clothes Connection.

Texas A&M University-Texarkana professor **Dr. Sara Lawrence**, Alpha Pi (Texarkana-17), has been named to the Chancellor's Academy of Teacher Educators for making a significant contribution in preparing teachers for the classroom.

Members From Page 10

Lila Hoobler, Gamma Kappa (Childress-11), was named Woman of the Year by the Childress Chamber of Commerce.

Evalonia Barrett Bolton, Kappa Mu (Longview-17), was pictured in the March/April issue of *Charm* magazine.

arts & humanities

Seven Texas members will have works displayed in fall DKG Fine Arts Gallery. www.dkg.org.

Glenda Lopez Beall, Alpha Iota (Boling-4), has a poem, "The Golden Bride."

Gloria J. Dietrich, Epsilon Upsilon (Mission-5), has mixed media, "Linked." The piece hangs in the Greater Mission Chamber of Commerce.

Frances Dendy Mahaffey, Delta Pi (Plano-9), has two poems, "After Cancer, Eternal Cycles" and "The Soul of Solstice."

Marylin J. Nease, Delta Omicron (Dallas-9), has a poem, "Small Boy Lost in Imagination" and an essay, "Will You...?"

Beth Pesek, Alpha Pi (Texarkana-17), has a mosaic, "Initial This!" and a piece of pottery, "Winds of Faith."

Ulana Ratley, Kappa Delta (Bedford-10), has two photographs, "Yellow Crocus" and "Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly."

Jeanette Rhyan, Theta Chi (Fort Worth-10), has a short story, "Magical Christmas Morning."

Reception and recognition planned

Michelle Grandinetti, Membership Committee Chair

Fifty and fifty+ years members will be recognized at the Birthday Luncheon on Friday, June 24, 2016, at the TSO Convention in Frisco. The convention registration form can be found in the spring *Lone Star News*, or it can be found online at www.dkgtexas.org. Registration is \$50.00 and the ticket for the Birthday Luncheon is \$37.00. A reception for 50 year members will be held prior to the Birthday Luncheon from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Those wishing to attend should make sure that the space marked 50 year member has been checked on the convention registration form. TSO looks forward to celebrating with all of the special honored members.



Please join TSO for a
Retirement Party
honoring

Betty Vines

Sunday, August 14, 2016

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

TSO State Headquarters
6220 Campbell Rd., Dallas. Texas

Members are the HEART of the Society

Michelle Grandinetti, Membership Committee Chair

The Membership Committee is offering three sessions in Frisco. *Membership 101* will cover the basic responsibilities of the chapter membership committees with emphasis on recruitment initiatives. The second session, *From Nancy Newmember to the 50 Year Member*, will give participants an opportunity to identify effective elements that maintain strong, healthy chapters. Finally, *Everything You Have Ever Wanted to Know About Membership but Were Afraid to Ask* is an invitation for members to meet one on one with a committee member to discuss and share ideas, suggestions, and concerns.



GOLD PIECE

Extending education for girls

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Each year females around the world lose five days each month because they don't have what they need to manage their menstruation. Often this is because of lack of knowledge of their bodies; they lack funds to buy hygiene products; or they lack support from their culture. In many countries, taboos still exist that cause females to be outcast from their families and community during their monthly cycle.

When girls and women try to manage their situations, they must often resort to using mattress stuffing, banana leaves, straw, cornhusks and other materials that do not provide protection or sanitation. In some instances, females have resorted to trading sex for feminine hygiene products. Losing two months of education each year is devastating for girls, and the loss of dignity through exploitation is shameful.

Days for Girls is an international grassroots organization making a difference for women and girls. By creating simple kits to distribute to girls to manage their menstruation, *Days for Girls* has helped the absentee rates in Uganda drop from 36% to 8% and in Kenya drop from 25% to 3%. What is in the simple kit that can make such a difference? Each kit contains two moisture shields lined with polyurethane, eight absorbent trifold pads made from soft flannel, two pairs of panties, one bar of travel size soap, two one gallon Ziploc freezer bags, one washcloth and one card with pictorial directions. The shield with two pads demonstrates how to use the shields and pads on days when more protection is needed.



Parts of a kit being assembled

These items are placed in drawstring bags that can be carried to school. To wash soiled items, the girl places them in the freezer bag with the bar of soap and a little water and gently shakes the bag. They can be hung on the line to dry. The pads are squares so that they dry faster and do not risk taboos. The drawstring bag, shields and pads are made out of bright, pretty prints and solids to maintain dignity and self-respect. Each kit lasts up to three years and gives a girl 180 extra days to attend school over those three years.



Completed kits ready for delivery

Tens of thousands of volunteers from all over the world are stepping up to give women back their days. Organizations and groups make and assemble the kits for girls. Texas has *Days for Girls* teams that organize "sewathons" and "stuffing parties." Fran Lantz and her team from Friendswood, Texas, recently worked with Eta Delta of Houston on a "stuffing party." The 27 members in attendance were divided among stations. Within 25 minutes, 200 kits had been assembled and were ready for delivery. These 200 kits mean 36,000 additional days of education over three years for girls in areas of need.



When the kits are distributed, the girls are educated on what is happening in their bodies, and why it is a natural part of life. While they may understand the situation, the other members of their culture might not. That is why it is very important that the girls can wash, dry and reuse their products discreetly.

Members may learn more about *Days for Girls* by visiting www.daysforgirls.org.

TSO Chorus can preview music for Frisco Convention

Deb Acevedo-Tamminga, Music Chair

Those singing in the TSO Chorus can preview six of the eight convention songs before attending the convention.

The JW Pepper website, www.jwpepper.com, has a search window on the upper right-hand side of the home page. The title of a song can be typed into that window, then the Enter key tapped. Once on the new page, it is possible to scroll down until finding the arrangement that matches a title below. Clicking the listen arrow by that title plays the music (some recordings are short clips, others the full recording). Additionally, there is an icon that can be clicked to view a few pages of the sheet music. There is no need to return to the home page to search other titles because the preview window is on each page. Here are the tunes to preview:



Homeward Bound by Marta Keen Arranged by Jay Althouse 2-part (Necrology Service)
Climb Every Mountain by Rodgers and Hammerstein II Arranged by Ed Lojeski 2-part (Luncheon)
Consider Yourself by Lionel Bart Arranged by John Leavitt 2-part (Luncheon)
Curiosity by Amy F. Bernon 2-part (Banquet)
Put A Little Love in Your Heart with Love Train Arranged by Greg Gilpin 2-part (Banquet)

Samples of the sixth song, *Weave*, by Rosemary Crow (Banquet song) can be found on www.youtube.com.

The remaining pieces are hymns: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*, and *God of Our Fathers*, which will be sung at the Necrology Service.

Singers need to bring the following to Frisco:

- A pencil, highlighter, and 3-ring black notebook
- Attire for Necrology: Combinations of black and white
- Attire for Birthday Luncheon: Solid bright color
- Attire for Banquet: Individual choice



Smooth Brew performs Thursday in Frisco

Smooth Brew is a harmony quartet performing pop, jazz, doo-wop, spiritual, and traditional barbershop styles of music since 2006. Smooth Brew has a full program of four-part a cappella music at its finest - ballads, uptunes, inspirational, seasonal, patriotic and comedy songs. The group will perform after the opening session of the convention.

Nu Beta chapter in New Caney added to TSO family

On Saturday, April 16, 2016, a new chapter was organized in the Texas State Organization.

Nu Beta is a unique chapter because it operated as a chapter within the Mu Pi chapter for a year so that potential members could gain knowledge and experience with DKG.

Fifteen seasoned transfer members and 18 new initiates are charter members of Nu Beta in New Caney, Texas.



Presidents' training a magic must-see

Corlea Plowman, LDCP Chair

Chapters have chosen their new presidents for 2016-2018. What an honor for anyone to hold this position! The chapter presidents' training will occur at the State Convention in Frisco on Thursday, June 23. "This leadership training will guarantee the president's success for the coming biennium," Corlea Plowman, LDCP chair, says. "Cross my heart." Presidents who are unable to attend may designate a representative for their chapter.



The Leadership Development for Chapter Presidents (LDCP) Committee has planned the training for noon to 5 p.m. in Frisco 1 and 2 in the Convention Center. High energy, crucial information, easy-to-find resources and a break-out session for experienced presidents will help make this one of the best training sessions ever. Chapter reporting changed in 2015, DKG International is using a new interactive website, TSO changed state officers in 2015, and the organization is committed to streamlining as much as possible.

As incoming presidents complete the convention registration, they will notice that the \$50 registration fee is paid. Training starts with a box lunch at 11:15 a.m. in the area outside of Frisco 1 and 2 in the Frisco Convention Center. Anyone attending LDCP who has already registered and did not order the \$12 lunch may do so by sending a check to Sandi Causey, 6105 Oakclaire Drive, Austin, TX 78735, including a note that the check is for Thursday's lunch and designate a box type (ham, turkey or veggie wrap). Purchasing a box lunch is not mandatory. It is available to help presidents be on time for the training.

Chapter presidents in training are advised to dress comfortably, wear layered clothing and be in Frisco for the magic that will warm the cockles of their hearts!

Area workshops provide additional training

Area workshops are held at the beginning of each new chapter biennium as a means of training new presidents and sharing important information about committees with all members. Members are encouraged to attend and renew their focus and commitment for 2016-2018.

| Date | Area | Area Coordinator | Location | Date | Area | Area Coordinator | Location |
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| 7/30 | 1 | Kim Paetzel | Tyler | 9/10 | 12 | Janie Wigley | Lubbock |
| | 15 | Carla Newman | El Paso | | 17 | Denise Kornegay | Paris |
| 8/6 | 2 | Elena Ivanova | Orange | 9/17 | 18 | Risa McCann | Humble/Kingwood |
| | 4 | Frances Ziegenhals | Richmond | | 3 | Pat Bumpus | Friendswood |
| 8/13 | 16 | Susan Smith | Gainesville | 6 | Blanche Delgado | Uvalde | |
| | 5 | Sara Hayward | Harlingen | 8 | Ann Mahan | Temple | |
| | 14 | Anita Patton | Midland | 9 | Cathy Criner | Ennis | |
| 8/27 | 7 | Carol Young Rose | Marble Falls | 10 | Janet Helmcamp | Cleburne | |
| | 11 | Luinda Verden | Amarillo | 13 | Paula Haynes | Abilene | |



ASTEF offers variety of auction items

ASTEF is very excited to offer some Texas Travel packages at the auction.



Sunset house B&B

Members may join in some Hill Country hospitality with a stay at the very popular Sunset House Bed and Breakfast in beautiful Fredericksburg. They can enjoy the attractive family home while viewing and learning the stories behind many of the unique family antiques.

Those who find “Big D” more their style might be interested in the Bush Library and Museum Adventure. This package is valued at \$400 and is packed with items for any historian. The package includes tickets for two to the George Bush Presidential Center; \$50.00 gift certificate for lunch at Cafe 43; overnight stay at a hotel near SMU with free parking; \$50.00 gift certificate for shopping; and the book *The Art of Leadership* from the Bush Museum Bookstore. Arrangements can also be made to visit the nearby TSO Headquarters.



George W. Bush Library
National Archives

What is more American than apple pie and baseball? The winner of this item can begin planning a trip to Houston. This package contains four field level seats to a game of your choice to see the American League West Division Houston Astros. Included in the package is a “mystery autographed” item from the Houston Astros Home Office that any sports fan will love. A gift certificate will allow the winner to enjoy apple pie, peanuts or Cracker Jacks after the “ole ball game.”

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Cinderella's castle

In addition to the travel packages for Texas, an extra special item included this year is a Disney package with four one-day Park Hopper Disney tickets valued at \$620. These tickets are good for two years; they will fit into anyone's plans. Included in the package is a Disney Gift Card so that members can bring back a small piece of Disney Magic to help remember their trip. This item is sure to please children, grandchildren or the child in all of us.

Original art and photographs will be included in the auction. Unusual this year is an opportunity to have seats at an honor table at the Saturday night banquet or a chance to spend some quality time with TSO President Marilyn Gregory and ASTEF President Carolyn Grantham for an afternoon tea in President Gregory's suite.

The ASTEF Website, www.astef.org, will have a complete list of all auction items and descriptions in the days leading up to the convention. There promises to be something for everyone in all price ranges. Members should pack their cash, checks, and credit card for a chance to take something home.



The week of February 14 proved to be a true day of love and support for ASTEF, OUR Educational Foundation. The first Annual Giving Day was held across the state with members generously donating approximately \$9300 to support ASTEF Projects, to provide funding for scholarships and Aspiring Educator Awards and to fund leadership events.

Women in the Arts committee comes up for vote

The report by Dr. Mary Ann Waldon for the Special Committee to Study TSO Women in the Arts includes a recommendation that must be acted upon by the Executive Board in Frisco.

Recommendation (Executive Board): THAT Texas State Organization (TSO) establish a Women in Arts (WIA) Committee as a new Standing Committee under the umbrella of the Educational Excellence Committee with a subcommittee of Spectacular Texas Art Retreat (STAR).

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Rationale: The Arts and Crafts Retreat Group has been enthusiastically supported. After researching the websites of DKG of other states in the United States, the research indicates that over one third of the states have some type of Women in Arts entity. TSO should be leading in this endeavor. This committee would begin functioning at the beginning of the 2017 biennium.

Financial Impact: Approximate cost of \$1700 per biennium

Endorsed by: Special Committee to Study TSO Women in the Arts, TSO Executive Committee, TSO Finance Committee.

Bluebonnet Bash planned for Nashville

Instead of rising early for the Bluebonnet Breakfast, TSO members are invited to an afternoon Bluebonnet Bash to enjoy a Taste of Texas in Nashville.

When: Friday, July 8, 2016. Come and go between 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.
Where: Opryland Hotel, Nashville – Room to be announced
Cost: \$36 per ticket



Members will serve themselves beef or chicken fajitas at a fajita station before settling in for some laughter and socializing with TSO friends. **TASTE OF TEXAS**

Please complete and mail along with your check payable to "TSO" to Betty Vines c/o TSO, PO Box 797787, Dallas, Tx. 75379. Deadline to order tickets is postmark June 1, 2016.

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____ # tickets _____



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Nashville, Tennessee
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