

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



Luann's Thoughts

AUGUST

BIRTHDAYS

Barbara Norris - 8/19

Jennifer Freestone - 8/23

Connie Doolin - 8/30

This summer has flown by! I think we probably say that every year at about this same time. Even though I am retired, I am somewhat aware that it is time for teachers and administrators to return to work. In conversations that I have had recently with my two daughters, we have discussed changes being made at their schools and that the teachers are returning to their classrooms to welcome back their new group of students. I remember all too well the excitement I had at the thought of seeing my students again and having the opportunity to work with them again.

I have pretty much that same excitement about getting our meetings going again, seeing all of you, and hearing all about your summer vacations! Our first meeting is August 13 at 4:30 pm. We will continue to meet at Southmore Intermediate. Refreshments and words of inspiration will be furnished by Jennifer Freestone and Allison Sutton. We will be sharing our summer events and inducting at least one new member!

One of the topics of discussion will be about the reception for our new State President, Patty Belknap. There is also going to be a service project opportunity on the next day. If you think you might be interested in attending these, you will need to bring your checkbook to the meeting! Here is the information:

Friday Night- September 27, 6:00 - 8:00 pm Cocktail Reception with appetizers (come and go) *Location:* Marian Mannix Home 20664 Southwood Oaks Dr. Porter, Texas 77365

Saturday Service Project and President's Luncheon Location: The Houston Food Bank (Event Cost) Friday Night Only - \$10.00 Saturday Only - \$25.00 Both Events - \$30.00

I look forward to seeing you all on August 13 at 4:30 pm!

90th STATE CONVENTION NEWS

At the 90th State Convention, Epsilon Rho received the following awards or recognition:

Rosebud Award: This award recognized our chapter for maintaining our total membership from May 1, 2018 to May 1, 2019.

Chapter Website: Epsilon Rho's chapter website complied this past year with the DKG Website Standards and has the Delta Kappa Gamma official seal of linkage.

Exemplary Yearbook: Our chapter Yearbook was awarded exemplary status because it met the Yearbook Guidelines set forth by the TSO Yearbook Committee. Our chapter also received the Early Bird Award for our Yearbook because we met the early deadline of November 1.

Five-Star Newsletter: In order to receive this award, we had to submit at least five newsletters to the TSO Communications & Publicity Chairman by May 1.



Little Free Libraries Project

Thanks again to Alpha State Texas Educational Foundation (ASTEF) for funding our Little Free Libraries Project. We have completed the project and member, Laura Rahman, shared our success at the State Convention. She created a scrapbook showing our progress throughout the year, which included pictures of the deliveries made to each school and of students using the Little Free Libraries at various campuses. Here are some pictures from the scrapbook, which will also be shared at our next meeting:



A YEAR AT A GLANCE

(Subject to Change)

Tuesday, August 13, 2019 - Back to School Meeting - 4:30 pm at Southmore Intermediate

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 - Trauma and Children - 4:30 pm at Southmore Intermediate

October (Time and Date TBD) - "Cup of Sugar" (Joint Chapter Meeting) - Orozco Professional Development Center

Tuesday, November 5, 2019 - Floral Arrangement - 4:30 pm at Southmore Intermediate

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 - Christmas Tea Party - 4:30 pm at Luann Kelly's House

January - Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 - Game Night - 4:30 pm at Southmore Intermediate

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 - Cooking Demo. - 4:30 pm at Luann Kelly's House

Tuesday, April 7, 2020 - Induction of New Officers - 4:30 pm at Southmore Intermediate

Saturday, May 2, 2020 - Founders Day Banquet - Green Tee Country Club



DO YOU KNOW THE ANSWER?

- What year was Epsilon Rho organized, and what chapter sponsored our chapter?
- Who was the first chapter President of Epsilon Rho?

The first member to email the answer to Laura Rahman at lkatrahman@gmail.com will win a prize at our next meeting.



If you have pictures from meetings or events or have a story you would like to share in the newsletter, please email Laura Rahman, Newsletter Editor at: Ikatrahman@gmail.com.

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