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MYRNA'S MEMO

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Dear Sisters,

It's been an extremely fast and furious summer for me. I spent much of it traveling to Missouri to visit my little brother Dan, who, as many of you know, was diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer. He was given six months, and my husband, Jim and I visited him twice over the summer and I spent several days each week facetimeing with Dan and his wife, Ellen. He opted to stay home (on hospice care) and ended up making it to five months before passing this week. I am currently back in Missouri for his funeral on the 13th. He gratefully passed quickly, and we are all so thankful we were able to spend time with him and had closure. He was a wonderful individual with a strong Christian perspective, and he will be sorely missed.

I hope your summer was pleasant and enjoyable and you're looking forward to cooler fall weather. I know our active teachers are getting ready once again for the new school year and have been working on your classrooms and providing a welcoming environment for your students. May God bless you all!

The Beta Tau Executive Committee met in July and prepared the 2024-2025 meeting schedule. It will be available in the September newsletter, as well as our updated brochure. I'm thankful for our officers and the chairpersons of our Legislation, Membership and Newsletter Committees. I think we'll have an interesting year and am excited to have TSO (Texas State Organization) President, Bonnie Moore as speaker at our January Founder's Birthday Celebration at The Silo.

I returned from Missouri last night and will be on a plane for Washington state this evening...to see my son and his family. I so looking forward to seeing them. Remember, each day is a gift, so let's make it count. See y'all soon.

Sisters through Beta Tau,

Myrna

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September Meeting

Our September meeting will be a brunch on September 14 at 10:00 at MacArthur Lutheran church.. Our program is a nutritionist. At long last we will find out who our Master Teacher is for 2023-2024!!! More details to come in our September newsletter.

Patty Raney and Suzette Price were in the Fiesta mood for our April meeting!



Texas State Convention Denton June 24-27, 2025

Make plans now for attending the state convention in Denton in June. Room with another member and get to know them very well! Fun and learning go on every day. Interesting vendors have displays of their wares. Met DKG members from around the state. Get a look at what state officers do, and you may wish to volunteer on that level. Be in the state choir. CPU are available for notated courses. The chapter pays the \$50 registration fee. If you prefer, what happens in Denton, stays in Denton!

HAPPY SUMMER BIRTHDAYS!

MAY:

Cathy Criner 16
Rose Bradley 19

JUNE:

Charlotte Gates 2
Brenda Krueger 4
Patsy Roe 14
Scotta Williams. 24

JULY: Ginny Stowell 24

*Check out Beta Tau's Website
<http://deltakappagamma.org/TX-betatau/>*

April Minutes

Beta Tau Chapter
Delta Kappa Gamma Meeting Minutes
MacArthur Park Lutheran Church
2903 Nacogdoches Road, 78217
April 20, 2024

During a period of social time, ladies signed in and received their name tags.

President Myrna Burkes called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Kathy Moran gave the devotion and prayer based on the idea of contentment.

Burkes welcomed members and asked for reports on absent members and any prayer requests. She gave a special thank you to Pat Raney, Suzette Price and Carolyn Dahlgren for their assistance with meeting preparations.

There were 18 members in attendance.

Garrett Fletcher of the Miss Tristan Foundation made a presentation on CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver. Donations made by members to the Miss Tristan Foundation totaled \$224. Burkes thanked Teresa Lowrance for making the arrangements for the speaker.

Nominating Committee Chair Kathy Helmke and President Burkes announced that these officers will be installed at the Founders' Day Luncheon in May.

Myrna Burkes-President
Teresa Lowrance-First Vice President
Kay Aguilar-Second Vice President
Scotta Williams - Treasurer
Virginia Stowell-Corresponding Secretary
Bel Rocha-Recording Secretary
Jeannette Ferguson-Parliamentarian

Burkes reported that the Master Teacher Award will be given at the September meeting.

Ann Morales, Linda Hale, Cindy Parisher and Carol Burkett will be in charge of designing and assembling the center piece for the Founders' Day Luncheon table for the Beta Tau Chapter. Four baskets will be made by chapter members for the silent auction. Funds raised will go to the chapter. Those making baskets are Carolyn Smith; Myrna Burkes and Linda Hale; Teresa Lowrance and a group consisting of Kathy Helmke, Brenda Krueger, Suzette Price, Pat Raney and Virginia Stowell.

Roberta Carlson provided the door prizes for April. The winners were Myrna Burkes, Carol Burkett and Brenda Krueger.

Burkes encouraged members to attend the Central Regional Area Workshop in June. The information about the event is in the April newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzette Price,
secretary

Jeanette Pierce listens intently to Brenda Krueger.



Roberta Carlson, Kathy Helmke and Ruby Lopez (left to right) were enjoying the fellowship.

Lola Hill, Carol Burket, Kathy Moran and Cindy Parisher smile for their picture.



April Meeting Pictures



Garrett Fletcher taught us CPR techniques and procedures. Myrna Burkes volunteered to demonstrate on the dummy.



Garrett Fletcher of the Miss Tristan Foundation was our April presenter.

President Myrna Burkes,
1st vice president
Teresa Lowrance and
Carolyn Dahlgren gave
their best smiles at the
April meeting.



Our table decorations are always attractive
thanks to Patty Raney! She was helped this
month by Suzette Price and Carolyn Dahlgren.

Jeanette Pierce contemplates her Buck A Book
selections.



Member News

Keep Myrna Burkes and her family in your prayers regarding the passing of her younger brother, Dan.



Bel Rocha has a different job with NISD as a reading support teacher. Advantage: very close to home!



Please remember to send prayer requests and good news to the editor, Kathy Moran, president, Myrna Burkes, and corresponding secretary, Kathy Helmke.

North East Council of PTA Clothes Closet

Beta Tau has chosen as one of its service projects a gently used clothing drive for the North East Council of PTA Clothes Closet.

I will collect these items in a bin during our meetings.

How it works: families will be confidentially referred by school personnel. School personnel will provide a voucher for each student in the family. The family will be able to shop at no cost at the closet for the following items: 5 tops, 5 bottoms, 5 new socks and 5 new underwear (per semester) and 3 coats or jackets per school year



Here is a sample of what our members donated last year. Remember, all underwear and socks are to be new & in the package.



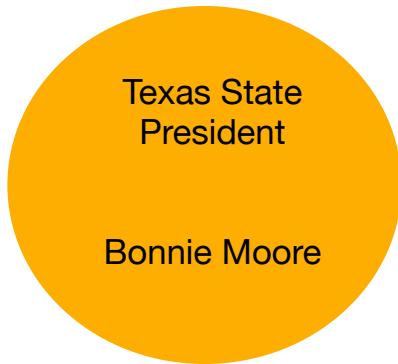
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Impacting Education Worldwide

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