

Beta Tau NEWSLETTER



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O pen your heart, mind, and attitude
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R each to renew, respond, and relate

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Teresa's Message

Dear Sisters,

This is a sacred time of year for many people and it can make one feel introspective. My personal prayer for each of us as we traverse these holidays is that we turn towards love and reflection. We are busy. Each one of us is called to tend to things that need our time, attention and love. We are teachers, we are called to it and once you are called, it doesn't leave us and I don't believe we leave it either. We may leave the profession and pursue other endeavors but our desire to teach manifests in other ways. We look for ways to guide, serve, and teach. We leave an indelible mark on the souls that are charged in our care no matter how or where we serve people. That for me is a precious and holy calling as I am sure it is for you as well.

For me, remembering love brings me a sense of gratitude, joy, and reflection on my beliefs that ultimately help make me a better person, woman, wife, friend, mother and teacher. I am incredibly thankful for these gifts in life. Where do you find love? I would love to hear your perspective.

With the conclusion of the year and remembering our blessings, comes the dawn of a new one. In my mind, resolutions are important. We can treat them as temporary gains like weight loss or becoming better with retirement planning. These things might be important but the guiding principle in these things is the spirit of hope of becoming somehow better. Bettering ourselves in the material world has its benefits but it is the spiritual one that calls teachers. We are charged with bettering souls every moment we encounter them. I can't think of a better blessing or greater responsibility than that. Do you have any resolutions?

I can't wait for the meeting to see each and every one of you. I hope your days stay bright and look forward to the rest of December.

See You Soon,
Teresa

Texas State Convention Denton June 24-26, 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. Meet 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!

Attention All Members: If your directory information has changed at all, please send correct information to Myrna Burkes. She is also updating the pictorial directory so if she doesn't have a picture of you, please send her one (or send her a better one of you). Thanks for your help in this matter. Her phone to text is 210-602-3801 or email:mimibetatau@gmail.com.

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

SAVE THE DATE

<p>December 14, 2024 10:00 a.m. “Silver Scholarship Social” Homemade Cookie Exchange Social-Business Meeting Induction Ceremony</p>	<p>MacArthur Park Lutheran Church 2903 Nacogdoches Rd. 78217</p>
<p>January 11, 2025 11:00 a.m. Happy 89th Birthday Beta Tau Speaker – TSO President Bonnie Moore Social Meeting</p>	<p>The Silo Restaurant 434 N. Loop 1604W 78232</p>
<p>February 8, 2025 10:00 a.m. Social-Business Meeting Gamma Upsilon Chapter Visit Presenter - Cathy Criner STAR</p>	<p>MacArthur Park Lutheran Church 2903 Nacogdoches 78217</p>
<p>March 22, 2025 11:00 a.m. Social-Business Meeting Key Women Educator Awards</p>	<p>La Fonda Restaurant Alamo Heights 8633 Crownhill Blvd. 78209</p>
<p>April 26, 2025 10:00 a.m. Social-Business Meeting Presenter - to be arranged</p>	<p>MacArthur Park Lutheran Church 2903 Nacogdoches 78217</p>

DECEMBER MEETING

Our December meeting is our Cookie Exchange. Bring one dozen cookies on a plate to share or taste test with other members. Bring 3 dozen of that same cookie to offer for sale. You may package them in a dozen or half dozen. You may bring them in a single container. Cookies are \$7/dozen. Think gifts for those hard-to-buy-for people! Your Christmas cookie tray can be completed in one morning! You may want to bring a container for the cookies you plan to purchase. All the money goes to a good cause!

Also, this is our Silver Scholarship social . A tray will be on the refreshment table to receive your checks or cash donations which will help fund our scholarships throughout the year.

January Meeting at Silo

2nd VP Kay Aguilar needs a count for the Silo meeting in January. If you are planning to attend, please text her at 956-495-7749.

November Meeting Minutes

Beta Tau Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma

Mac Arthur Park Lutheran Church

2903 Nacogdoches Road
San Antonio, Texas 782178
November 15, 2024

President Teresa Lowrance called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. and welcomed members in attendance. She began by informing members and guests of former President Myrna Burkes. She is improving and thanks everyone for prayers, texts and phone calls.

Jeanette Pierce gave an inspirational devotion and invited all to pray together.

President Teresa Lowrance discussed officer and committee chairs. Ann Morales will be returning soon to be active in DKG. Carolyn Dahlgren welcomed guests and gave door prizes. Scotta Williams explained the procedure and purpose of the Red Bowl Auction. The proceeds go to the DKG scholarship fund.

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Oribel d. Rocha





Cheesy Artichoke Squares

2 8 oz cans crescent dinner rolls	3/4 c shredded mozzarella
3/4 c grated Parmesan	1/2 c mayonnaise
1 14 oz can artichoke hearts drained/chopped	
1 4 oz can green chilies drained/chopped	
1 dash hot pepper sauce	1 4 oz can sliced black olives

Unroll crescent dough into rectangles and press into sides and bottom of jelly roll pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes. Combine the remaining ingredients in a bowl and mix well. Spread the mixture onto the crust. Bake at same temperature for additional 15 minutes or until cheese melts. Let stand 5 minutes before cutting into squares and serving. Makes about three dozen squares. If you wish to make ahead, it may be frozen before baking. Yummy as an appetizer; also a hit on a buffet.

MEETING PICTURES



Carolyn Dahlgren next to the Red Bowl auction. \$250 was raised! Good work, Beta Tau!



Rose Bradley, President Teresa Lowrance, and Ann Carter pose for photographer, Suzette Price (who is never pictured, by the way).



Kathy Helmke, Cathy Criner, Patty Raney, Ginny Stowell and Kay Aguilar pay rapt attention.



Carolyn Dahlgren, Bel Rocha and Carolyn Smith are enjoying the meeting.

Lots of favorite hats were worn during our November meeting.



Jeanette Pierce, Scotta Williams and Roberta Carlson are focused.



Patty Raney and Ginny Stowell get caught by the camera as they sign in.



Cindy Parisher, Lola Hill, Brenda Krueger and Carol Burket are plotting their strategy for the Red Bowl Auction.

Member News



I have made an almost 100% recovery from my stroke. I will complete mobility PT this Friday. Beth (daughter) has completed 3 chemo treatments & stays positive. She's a warrior! GOD is so so good! Thank you for all your love, prayers and support. Myrna



Happy little buc-ees boy

Nathan & Kathy Moran's grandson, Emilio, visited during November. What fun!



Jim and Myrna with grands - Holden 16, Hannah 13, and Hadley 10.



Jim & Myrna with son, Doug and wife, Patti lunching in Lampasas on their way to Austin airport after spending Thanksgiving week at the ranch. Her son's family lives in Kennewick, Washington.



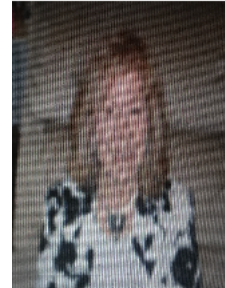
Keep our sister, Jane Kernaghan, in your prayers as she recovers from a broken pelvis.

Please remember to send prayer requests and good news to the editor, Kathy Moran, president, Teressa Lowrance, and corresponding secretary, Ginny Stowell.

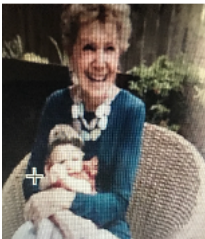
Member News

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From Mary Alice Barrow: I reached my 95th birthday on December 1st!!! Still getting around on my collator and going to exercise 3 times a week - somewhat modified. Greetings to all. I miss the meetings so much!



Lola Hill has been the book Project Chair for 5 years for the Huajilla Retired Teacher's group. This year she and her committee have collected 1,018 children's books to present to different organizations in Medina County at their Christmas Social in Devine on December 9th. Way to go, Lola!!!!



Charlotte Haines Gates is leaving the hospital after 16 days due to a heart attack. She's looking forward to her own bed. Let's keep her in our prayers.



**HAPPY DECEMBER
BIRTHDAY!**

Ann Morales 13

Mission Statement

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Growth of women educators and
Excellence in education.

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President**

Bonnie Moore

Vision Statement

Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide

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