



# Kappa Theta Keynotes

## President's Message

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Next Meeting

January 24  
Bolin Center  
4:30

Chili Supper



Season's Greetings, Kappa Theta Sisters!

No better way to experience holiday joy than at a festive Kappa Theta Christmas Party! You just can't beat the fellowship, the fun and the food, plus the inspiration of the initiation ceremony for new members. To top off the evening, we had a wonderful guest speaker this year!

Kathleen Ives and the Ceremony Committee made every detail of the initiation ceremony very meaningful to everyone in the room, especially Sydney Bentz, Simone Brock, Patricia

Cheatham, Marsha Cobb, Andrea Fryt, Heather Lewis and Kari Wiggins, our new members. Initiate Carole Pagel will be initiated at the January meeting. The ceremony serves as the culmination of the work of Mary Walker and the Membership Committee who walked the nominees through the whole process toward membership in Delta Kappa Gamma. A big "thank you" to both committees from all of us!

Nancy Newton, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of the Alpha State organization of Delta Kappa Gamma, graced us with her presence, her wisdom, and her wit. Her presentation of the history and intent of the Delta Kappa Gamma Song made us all see that tradition in an all new light ... and ... vow to learn the words (or take her suggestion on how to "fake it"! ). A donation to the Alpha State Headquarters Fund is being made by Kappa Theta in Nancy's name in appreciation for her presentation.

The business meeting was a whirlwind of reports of good things being done by so many Kappa Theta Sisters through their committees and projects, everyone willing to do their part to help the chapter reach the goals of the Society. The Writing Project and Grant In Aide Committees have put out all the information to attract participants and ultimate winners in both their projects. Sisters continued to support the PediPlace Project by bringing a wide variety of donations, and we signed Christmas Cards for the residents of Stillwell Retirement Home as a preview of our visit in April. Thanks to everyone!

Tickets for the raffle to be held at the January Chili Supper were handed out for each member to sell, which won't be difficult with the great raffle packages put together by the Raffle Committee. Likewise the great food provided by the Kappa Theta Sisters should show our appreciation for the LISD School Board, administrators, and retirees, the invited guests to the Chili Supper, all under the supervision of the Chili Supper Social Committee. The work and planning of these committees make it easy for our membership to "go with the flow" to facilitate the change of the date to January 24.

The evening ended with reports from Rosebud groups and several Jubilee Moments, one of which is an honor for the whole chapter: Marcie Cooley will be attending the Alpha State Leadership Conference in February, a well deserved reward for her loyalty and support of DKG.

What a great party! Thanks to Cindy Neander, Marcie Cooley and their Social Committee for a very enjoyable and memorable way to celebrate Delta Kappa Gamma, Kappa Theta and all the work done to fulfill the goals of the Society.

Peace and Blessings,

*Diana*

# Scenes from the December meeting



Members signed Christmas cards for Stilwell residents.



Linda Hale read a beautiful meditation about bells.

We have new initiates!!!!



Members enjoyed a fantastic meal!



Guest speaker, Alpha State 2nd Vice-President Nancy Newton and Cindy Neander.



Patsy Roe shows off her cute, fabulous dessert.



Members enjoyed all the holiday festivities!



**Please arrive at the Bolin Center by 4:30 on Monday, January 24, to help set up for the chili supper. The guests will begin eating when everything is ready!**

**Former Kappa Theta President Marcie Cooley has been accepted to the Leadership Class of 2011!!!!  
CONGRATULATIONS!!!!**

**Hostesses for our  
January 24, 2011 Chili Supper**

**Hostesses: Social Committee and all Kappa Theta Members**

**IMPORTANT!!! PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE OF THE CHILI SUPPER!! IT HAS BEEN MOVED TO JANUARY 24!!!**

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!**



**Simone Brock**

**Betty McCrary**

**Janice McKee**

**Felicia Sprayberry**

### From the Winter2010 Issue of *The Lone Star News*...

It is the time of the year to think about, plan and act on receiving a Texas State Organization (TSO) Scholarship. There are so many possibilities and opportunities for members to receive funds for furthering their education and fulfilling the Society's purposes. Winners of scholarships last year are posted online.

The deadline for applying for a 2011 TSO Scholarship is March 1, 2011. If you are interested, you should get a Scholarships Brochure and read about all of the different types of scholarships that are available. There are scholarships that assist members who are earning college credits, but there are others that are available for Road Scholar, formerly Elderhostel, continuing education, research, conferences and other non-traditional types of professional development activities. There is also a grant opportunity for women who aspire to become educators; these women can apply

under the sponsorship of a TSO member. Applications are available from the following: Chapter Scholarship Chairmen; TSO Scholarship Chairman Inés García, garines@sbcglobal.net, 512-444-5643, or Mrs. Betty Vines, Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Texas State Organization, P.O. Box 797787, Dallas, TX 75379-7787. [alphastatetexas.org](http://alphastatetexas.org)



#### EASY MICROWAVE PEANUT BRITTLE—PERFECT FOR A LITTLE SNACK OR GIFT!

1 cup granulated sugar	1/2 cup white Karo syrup	1 cup dry, roasted peanuts
1 tsp. vanilla	1 tsp. margarine or butter	1 tsp. baking soda

Combine sugar and syrup in microwavable bowl. Microwave on high for 4 minutes. Add peanuts and stir. Microwave on high for 3 minutes. Add margarine and vanilla. Stir well. Microwave on high for 1 minute. Remove from oven and add baking soda. Stir well. Mixture will be foamy. Pour onto lightly greased pan and let cool. Break into pieces and enjoy! YUM YUM!!!



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UPCOMING EVENTS...MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

CHILI SUPPER AND GRANT-IN-AID RAFFLE—JANUARY 24, 2010

TRI-CHAPTER MEETING AND DINNER—FEBRUARY, 2010; DATE TBA!

STILWELL VISIT—SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2010

STATE CONVENTION—MCALLEN, TX—JUNE 23-25, 2011. KAPPA THETA HAS RESERVED FOUR HOTEL ROOMS!



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