



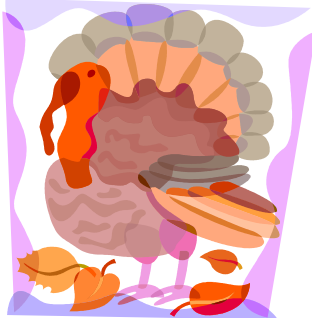
Kappa Theta Keynotes

*Exploring Possibilities: Let Our Vision
Light the Way!*



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Next Meeting:

December 5

Salerno's
Restaurant
6:00 p.m.

Initiation
Christmas Dinner



Dear Kappa Theta Sisters—

The stormy weather came sooner than expected Monday evening, but it didn't stop us from having a great meeting with lots of important information and actions. What a significant week this is, with voting on Tuesday, November 8, and Veteran's Day on November 11! Plus, we handled membership and budget issues, along with planning for the Christmas party and Chili Supper. Now, that is a little bit of everything!

In line with two of our DKG purposes, we have had programs last month and this month that gave us very important information to stimulate our personal and professional growth so that we "may participate effectively in a world society". With last month's program on the USO, we participated by supporting their reading/recording project for parents and children met the soldiers at the DFW airport on Saturday. We recognized the veterans in our families at this month's meeting—a total of 175 names written on cards that were taken to a Veteran's Day celebration on November 11.

This month's program was closer to home—the YOTO program at First United Methodist Church in Lewisville for homeless teens. Lynda Whitman, Director of Family Ministries at FUMC, conveyed her information and passion for the program that offers one meal per day, a shower, toiletries, and computer and laundry facilities to qualifying teens identified by high school counselors. Their request of us is to spread the word in the community to help identify this population group that is not served by any other program. When the bag was passed, our generous members gave \$166 to the program. That's one way to "participate effectively"!

The primary focus of our chapter this time of year is membership. We regretfully accepted the resignation of eleven members, but enthusiastically accepted the nomination of seven women for new membership. The initiation of those who accept our invitation for membership will be at the annual Christmas party in December.

A big thanks to all the committees who are working behind the scenes to continually plan our Writing Project, Juanita Harmon Grant-in-Aide Project, and Chili Supper and Raffle. Likewise, our chapter continues to support PediPlace and CCA. What an active group we have!

Andrea Fryt's meditation, "Shoulder to Shoulder", rang true for all of us as it does for those in the military, as we sang the "Delta Kappa Gamma Song" to adjourn. We were all better for having stood shoulder to shoulder with our sister that evening!

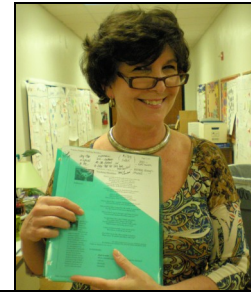
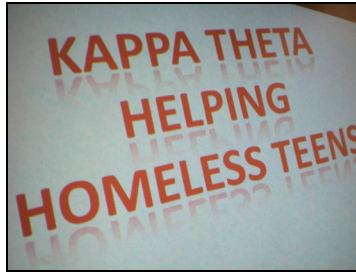
Oh, how we are all blessed!

Diana

Kappa Theta's November Program theme



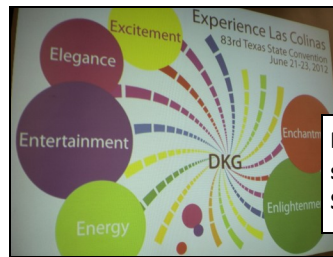
November hostesses and their delicious refreshments



Andrea Fryt gave a wonderful meditation in honor of Veterans' Day.



Guest speaker, Lynda Whitman from Denton County Youth Today



Members were treated to a slide show previewing the 2012 Alpha State Convention.

November Meeting Highlights



Marcie Cooley talked about the upcoming Christmas meeting.



Members visited ...



...and networked before the meeting.



HISTORY OF MACY'S PARADE

When did they start televising the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade? Years ago, it was just the balloons, bands, and clowns giving out candy; now it's a big show!

Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade began in 1924 when employees of the department store walked 6 miles through New York City to celebrate the holiday. There were bands, clowns, animals from Central Park Zoo, and some floats. It was received so warmly by the city's residents that Macy's decided to make it an annual event.

In 1927, helium balloons replaced the animals. The first was Felix the Cat. The parade was suspended in 1942, 1943, and 1944 because of the war, but resumed in 1945 and made its first television appearance in 1946 on local TV. Its first national broadcast was in 1948 on NBC.

Today, the parade has more than 8,000 participants who are assisted by 4,000 Macy's employees and volunteers. About 3 million people line the streets to see it in person, and another 40 million or more watch on TV.

"HISTORY OF MACY'S PARADE." *St. Petersburg Times* [St. Petersburg, FL] 21 December 2010:8F. *Gale Student Resources in Context*. Web. 12 November 2011.



IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE AT THE CHRISTMAS MEETING AND DINNER, SEND YOUR CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18.00 TO JUDY KEMLER AT FLOWER MOUND HIGH SCHOOL . IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE INITIATES' DINNERS, INCLUDE AN EXTRA \$2 TO \$5.

DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!



CAROLYN HARVEY

CINDY NEANDER

ROSEMARY ODOMS

ANDA LEE SEAT

MARTHA THETFORD

SHERRY THOMPSON





MYSTERY MEMBER OF THE MONTH

*The Mystery Member was initiated into Kappa Theta in 2009 and is serving on the Chili Supper Committee.

*She has taught Content Mastery, 1st grade, Reading Recovery, and 2nd grade. She is currently teaching Kindergarten at Vickery Elementary School.

*This member graduated from the University of Northern Iowa with a double major in Early Childhood and Elementary Education.

*She is married and has three children between the ages of 11 and 14 and a dog, which they got for Christmas nearly three years ago. Everyone in her family enjoys reading, music, and classic television shows.

*The Mystery Member was born in a car! She grew up in Sydney, Australia!

See if you can guess which Kappa Theta member this is! The answer will be announced at our December meeting and posted in next month's newsletter!



DECEMBER MEETING PREVIEW!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5—6:00 P.M. SALERNO'S RESTAURANT IN FLOWER MOUND

CHRISTMAS DINNER —INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS

CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG

SIGN AND ADDRESS CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR STILWELL RESIDENTS

*****BRING A COUPLE OF EXTRA CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THIS ACTIVITY*****

SPEAKER: KATE FITE —“A CHRISTMAS STORY”

UPCOMING EVENTS—MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



*Christmas meeting reservation due December 1

*Christmas meeting—December 5

*Chili Supper and Raffle Drawing honoring LISD VIPs—January 9

*February Tri-Chapter meeting—Date to be announced



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