



The Mu Tauker

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

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Texas State Organization

Area 1 Chapter 307 Mu Tau Chapter

Cedar Creek Lake Area

Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

Nancy's Notes



I don't know about you, but I have certainly been enjoying the cool mornings. Coffee is much better outside when it is cool. Hopefully, we will have some rain soon. I am ready for it to feel like fall all day.

Fall has become one of my favorite seasons. I look forward to spending more time outside. I finally have the opportunity to get some things cleaned up without dealing with the heat. That may or may not happen, but I do enjoy the cooler temperatures!

Fall also signals the beginning of the holidays. I love watching the little ones get so excited about Halloween. I look forward to Thanksgiving and the Christmas season and spending time with family and friends.

Fall is also a very special time in education. Everyone is back in the swing of things with a lot of activities keeping everyone even busier. I especially want our members to know we are here for you. We have a wonderful chapter of very caring ladies who are always available with a listening ear. Education has gone through so much the last few years. We need to help each other as much as we can. One thing each of us can do is try to attend our chapter meetings. For me, it is always uplifting to see everyone and just have the chance to visit for a while.

Our meeting this month will be at the Tri-County Library on the 17th at 4:45. Pam Gromley will be presenting a program on Virtual Teaching/Learning. I look forward to seeing each of you!

Nancy



JOURNEY
Which way will you go?

Mu Tau Meeting

Monday, October 17, 2022

4:45 PM

Tri-County Library, Mabank

**Hostesses: Melody Stephenson,
Thelma Stegman, Tana Hoelscher**

Meaningful Moments:

Lavonne Dennis

**Program: Virtual Teaching/
Learning**

Pam Gromley



Mu Tau Projects

Little Free Libraries

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Forever Families

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*Breast Cancer
Awareness Month*

Take care of yourself. Get your mammogram.

Mu Tau calendar 2022-2023

October 17, 2022	Virtual Teaching/Learning	Tri-County Library
November 14, 2022	Veterans Day Program	Tri-County Library
December 12, 2022	Holiday Celebration	Nancy McDonald's home
January 9, 2023	Executive Board, Janice Sutton's home	
February 13, 2023	Book Review	Tri-County Library
March, 2023	Orientation of new members, TBA	
April 10, 2023	Induction of new members, FUMC, Mabank	
May 8, 2023	DKG Founders Day, Tri-County Library	
June 14-17, 2023	94th TSO Convention, McAllen, TX	
July 18-22, 2023	International Conference, Phoenix, AZ	



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Mu Tau Dollars and Cents

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Mu Tau Chapter

Treasurer's Report October 1, 2022

BALANCE 7-30-2022 **\$3,898.50**

Deposits 00.00

Total Available **\$3,898.50**

Disbursements:

Dues Payments

International 1,000.00

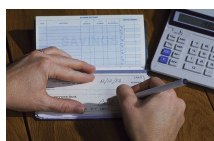
State 80.00

Statement Fee 4.00

Total Disbursements **\$1,084.00**

BALANCE 10-1-2022 **\$2,814.50**

Libby Horton, Mu Tau Treasurer



Mu Tau Executive Board 2022-2024

President

Nancy McDonald

First Vice President

Mindy Sutton

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Mary Ann Gregg

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Libby Horton



Parliamentarian

Janice Sutton

Immediate Past President

Monica Fortenberry

The Mu Tauker Editor

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Remember Prissy Pig, our ASTEF "mascot"?

We gave her so much! Always hungry, she was.

Just think about how ASTEF has grown now and given back—two grants to Mu Tau and lots and lots to other chapters as well.

Isn't it great to be part of such a caring, compassionate group as Delta Kappa Gamma that has so many arms to embrace ALL our Sisters?

Don't you think how proud Dr. Blanton must be as she looks down from above? "Mindful of our sisters needing . . ." indeed.

MU TAU CHAPTER MEETING
Delta Kappa Gamma
September 12, 2022

The September meeting of Mu Tau Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was held on September 12, 2022, at Tri-County Library. President Nancy McDonald called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and welcomed eleven members.

The May meeting minutes and the Executive Board minutes were approved as written in *The Mu Tauker*.

Meaningful Moments: Janice Sutton presented a humorous version of the Beatitudes from a long-ago convention session honoring Catherine Davis. [See page 6.]

Birthday celebration: The Executive Board provided refreshments for the birthday celebration: beautifully decorated cupcakes, nuts, and drinks.

New Business: Beverly Hart replaced Janice Beasley as Second Vice President.

Sign-up sheets: President McDonald passed around sign-up sheets for Meaningful Moments and hostesses for the coming months. Membership Chairman Beverly Hart handed out cards for nominating prospective members. There will not be a meeting in March.

Old Business: The \$250.00 usually donated to the Tri-County Library will be used for Forever Families.

Program: Janice Sutton presented the program "Memoirs of Mu Tau," explaining the changes made from Alpha Tau to MuTau. She reported on awards the chapter had received through the years and the move from Area 9 to Area 1. On September 25, 2000, at Cedar Creek Country Club three new members were installed in the new Mu Tau Chapter: Libby Horton, Jan Jones, and Barbara Jedlicka.

Convention Report: Mindy Sutton, Janice Sutton, Libby Horton, and Monica Fortenberry attended the State Convention in Lubbock, Texas. Libby Horton and Monica Fortenberry attended the International Convention in New Orleans. Monica gave information from each convention.

President Nancy McDonald adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Barbara Jedlicka, filling in for Secretary Mary Ann Gregg

Nancy McDonald, President



Once upon a time we studied the US Constitution with our guest Mr. Terry Berry. Remember he gave us a test, first thing!



Mu Tau birthdays

Mindy Marder, 10/27

Jean Robinson, 10/15

Janice Sutton, 10/16



Remember "Dr. Blanton" (aka Janet Burgess) visited us once?



Hostess Committees 2022-2023

[Chair is listed first, in bold print.]

September: Executive Board

October: Melody Stephenson, Thelma Stegman, Tana Hoelscher

November: Angela Barton, Rebecca Stephens, Trudy Watson

December: Mary Ann Gregg, Sheila Lewis, Amanda Schmidt, Libby Horton, Melinda Robertson

February: Mindy Marder, Tara Sapp, Monica Fortenberry, Dana Parker, Cathy Clardy

March: No Meeting

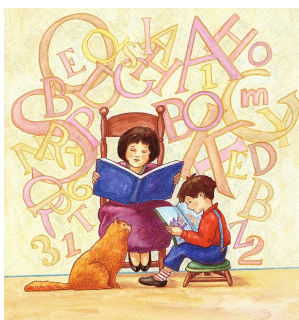
April: Kim Johnson, Janice Sutton, Mindy Sutton, Jean Robinson, Janice Beasley

May: Barbara Jedlicka, Pam Gromley, DeAnna Thompson Smith



Note: Boxtop\$ help our schools help our kids. Boxtop\$ are now to be submitted by photos from your smart phone.

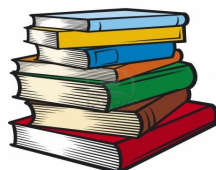
BOXTOP\$ for education



Donate **used** books to help stock Mu Tau's Little Free Libraries at Northpark and Cherokee Shores.



When ordering books and other good things online, remember that **Amazon Smile!** benefits Delta Kappa Gamma. To date DKG has benefitted by more than \$3,542.67. **Way to go, DKG shoppers!**



Bring the books to Mindy Marder or Beverly Hart. Reading helps people in our communities to become better readers and perhaps better citizens.

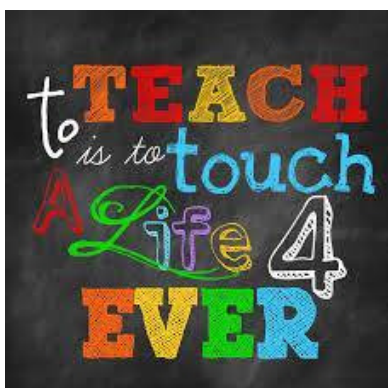


Janice and Beverly select books for the Little Free Library at Northpark.

More Mu Tau blast from the past: Have we done some stuff, or what?! —with a little help from our friends, Mr. Marder and Mr. Daniels.



We celebrated the opening of our Little Free Library at Cherokee Shores. Remember that it served as a food bank for a while during hard times early in the pandemic.



This we believe.



Here we are at the Grand Opening of the library for the children at Forever Families.



94th TSO Convention. McAllen, Texas. June. 2023

Member Spotlight

Tara Sapp



My name is Tara Sapp. I come from a family filled with educators. I just started my eleventh year of teaching. I have taught kindergarten in Kemp for the past five years. I also spent one year teaching in China. I really enjoyed my experience in China. It was definitely different from education here in the States.

When I am not in my classroom, I love to travel. I have been on several cruises. My latest adventure was spending two and half weeks in London this past July. I love learning and visiting new places. I love experiencing different cultures.



Tara will have more for us next time—when she gets back home!

The Beatitudes—The Greatest Lesson

Then Jesus took his disciples up the mountain, and gathering them around him, he taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn.

Blessed are the merciful.

Blessed are they that thirst for justice.

Blessed are you when you suffer.

Be glad and rejoice for your reward is great in heaven."

Then Peter said, *"Are we supposed to know this?"*

And Andrew said, *"Do we have to write this down?"*

And James said, *"Will we have a test on this?"*

And Philip said, *"Does this count?"*

And Bartholomew said, *"Do we have to hand this in?"*

And John said, *"The other disciples didn't have to learn this."*

And Matthew said, *"Can I go to the toilet?"*

And Judas said, *"What does this have to do with real life?"*

Then one of the Pharisees who was present asked to see Jesus' lesson plan and enquired of Jesus, *"Where is your anticipatory set and your objectives in the cognitive domain?"*

And Jesus wept.

This was Janice's Meaningful Moments in September, printed here especially for those who were not able to attend the meeting and for those who were there, to smile again. She gives credit to Lowell D. Streiker's *An Encyclopedia of Humor*.