



Tau Talk

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Hello Tau Sisters:

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday and that you got home safely. It is always surprising how we can go from 78 degrees to 32 degrees in a matter of hours.



We had a fun and informative program in November at the Fairfield Elementary School in the computer lab. Maneuvering our Web Site Scavenger Hunt Sheets were passed out and everyone set out exploring our new web site and to find information for the game. Everyone was successful in the journey and prizes were awarded at the end.

Refreshments were enjoyed during a short business meeting. Fall was the theme for the lovely decorations with Thanksgiving cookies and punch being provided by Martha Kirgan and Lynn Shaver.

Projects:

As a part of Tau Chapter's "Caring Community" theme volunteers from Tau delivered our first set of Holiday Tray Greetings to all nursing home residents in Freestone and Limestone counties. They were to be placed on all trays on Thanksgiving Day.

Christmas tray greetings will be taken to all nursing homes in Freestone and Limestone counties. If you have a loved one or friend that you visit at one of the nursing homes, you would be a great contact to help deliver these greetings. Just let Alicia or Goldia know you would like to help.



As one of the many opportunities to lend a helping hand and spread a little sunshine to others Tau has finished the Christmas stocking project. Many volunteers worked hard to complete the stockings by November's meeting. These stockings will be delivered

to Child Protective Services in Freestone and Limestone counties. They will then be filled and distributed by Christmas to children living in foster homes.

Stockings were also made for college students who will be staying on campus for the holidays because they are unable to go home for Christmas. Hopefully this will bring a little Christmas cheer to them.

Dates to Remember:

***Saturday, December 3, 2011,** Coffee Cabaret,
600 N. Paris Street, Mexia
Time: 6:30 pm
Program: "Celebrating the Holidays"
Inspirational: Virginia Riddle



Christmas is in the air and we want to see everyone at our Annual Christmas Dinner and Silent Auction. Guests are welcome! The cost for the meal is \$15.00 per person attending. This cost includes the tip.

***Saturday, January 3, 2012,**

Donna Landers Homr
29 Mimosa, Teague
Time: 4:30 pm
Program: "It's a Tea Time Birthday Party"
Hostesses: Donna Landers and other
Tau Members
Inspirational: Martha Kirgan



Please bring a clean teacup and saucer to our meeting as we will be having a Chinese gift exchange. It should be wrapped as a birthday present so that it will be a surprise to the person who receives it during the gift exchange. We will then use our cups to have a tea in honor of Tau's birthday.

Fund Raiser:



You will need to bring an item for the Silent Auction and be sure to bring your checkbook so that you can take home a special treasure. It is always so much fun overbidding a fellow member while giving a nice donation to our Scholarship Fund. If you cannot make it to the dinner we ask that you make a donation of \$15.00 to the Fund.

Exciting News:

Ronda Brewer will be initiated during our January Birthday Tea. Watch for a bio of her in our January Newsletter. Our Area Coordinator, Barbara Rountree, will be leading the initiation program.

Alicia's Summer Chicken Salad

- 4 Cups cooked and cubed chicken
- 1 Cup chopped celery
- 1 Cup halved seedless grapes (red used)
- 1/2 Cup sliced almonds toasted (oven toasted almonds found in the produce area of store)
- 1 tsp salt (I used less)
- 3/4 Cup mayonnaise (not Miracle Whip)
- 1/4 Cup sour cream

Mix all ingredients in order listed. Chill Well. **Serves 4**

You can toast almonds in the microwave for about 1-2 minutes on high. They are toasted when they are fragrant and lightly browned.

ENJOY!

Final Words:

I can't wait to see all of you Saturday at Coffee Cabaret. We will have a wonderful time together visiting and catching up with each other.

Good Food, Good Fellowship and a Good Cause!

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