

### Tau Talk

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha State, Texas, Limestone-Freestone Counties Tau Chapter, #19, Area 8

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

Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators Impacting Educators Worldwide.

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#### **Hello Tau Sisters:**

Each August students and teachers alike are excited to start the new school year full of anticipation of what the year holds. But by this time of the year the tests are over and everyone is tired of each other. It is time to close out another school year. I hope you are all as excited as I am.

We will be closing out another Tau year with a trip to Waco to celebrate our Founder's with a lovely lunch. It is always a wonderful day starting with the carpool to Waco. My biennium as president will also come to and end at the conclusion of the state convention. I know I am leaving you in great hands and look forward to an exciting year ahead for Tau Chapter.

Remember you are key women making a difference in your communities and education worldwide! Have a wonderful and safe summer and I'll see you in August or September! As always let us know if you are in need or we can help!

Sincerely, Alicia

# **Texas State Convention:**

The State Convening will be June 23-26, 2016 in Frisco. A shared room is still available. Those attending will leave on Wednesday, June 23rd and return home on Sunday, June 26. I am still collecting school supplies, throws and stuffed bears for the Unifying Project to take with us to the convention. Items will be taken to two worthwhile organizations in East Texas.

## **Great Meetings:**

The legislative update was excellent. The presenter was Kyle Kacal, state representative for District XII. He was very informative about current issues and how to get in touch with

legislators regarding concerns. Rep. Kacal visited with any and all attendees.



Rep. Kyle Kacal with Tau Chapter President, Alicia Smith



Rep. Kacal with daughter of Lisa Rogers

### Founder's Day Luncheon:

We had a wonderful time enjoying lunch with our McLennan County Sisters. The Hilton did a great job with lunch and setup was taken care of as promised. Lisa Rogers and Belinda Cotton brought door prizes to delight many attendees and Cheryl McDuff made DKG candles for everyone to take home. It was a great day!



Attendees of Founder's Luncheon Sunnie Schwiss, Patty Manley, Anna Pat Alpert, Vickie McDougal, Alicia Smith, Margaret Day, Belinda Cotton, Lisa Rogers, and Martha Kirgan



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### **Treasurer's Report:**

Balance April 2, 2016 \$1327.84

Deposits 238.00

Total \$1565.84

**Expenses** 

Founders Luncheon 250.00

Balance on hand May 3, 2016 \$1315.84

#### **Installation of Officers:**

The following Tau Chapter Officers 2016-18 biennium were installed by Lisa Rogers during the April meeting.:

Anna Pat Alpert President
Goldia Liles 2nd Vice-President
Vickie McDougal Recording Secretary
Sandra Lee Corresponding Secretary

Martha Kirgan Treasurer
Alicia Smith Parliamentarian

\*Belinda Cotton 1st Vice-President (not in attendance)



Pictured left to right: Alicia Smith, Martha Kirgan, Sandra Lee, Vickie McDougal, Anna Pat Alpert, and Lisa Rogers

### In Sympathy:

Martha Kirgan's brother –in-law has passed away after a lengthy illness. May the next few days and months be filled with strength from the prayers of all her Tau sisters.

#### **Congratulations:**

Virginia Riddle has been notified that she has once again won The Members-in-Print award for four articles which had been submitted. She will receive this award on Thursday night of the state Convention. **Way to go** Virginia, Tau is proud of you!



### **Update on Sophie:**

Sophie is doing well, at this time, as you can see in the pictures of her cooking. Grandma, Virginia Riddle, was not in pictures, but helping. She seems to be having a good time in the kitchen and enjoying what she has cooked!





# **Indian Orphanage Update:**

Panties for the girls have been purchased. It is now time to purchase underwear for the boys. The sizes are 8, 10, 12, 14, and men's small.

There is also a need for boy's t-shirts. Sizes for these are 6, 8, 10, and some 12s. There have been 15 purchased already.





Two of the children from the Indian Orphanage showing off their new school uniforms purchased with funds from the DKG Educational Foundation.

# Area 8 Workshop:

The Area 8 Workshop will be September 17, 2016 at the University of Mary Hardin Baylor in Temple, Texas. The registration fee of \$10.00 is due by June 10, 2016 along with the registration form to Martha at the following address: Martha Kirgan, P.O. Box 413, Kirvin, TX 75848.

We are responsible for a Recommitment Ceremony and Celebration of Life Ceremony. Martha Kirgan and Virginia Riddle are presenting workshops. Alicia is introducing Virginia. Pay Martha so she can fill out the final form due June 10.

### **Websites for DKG:**

You will find useful information regarding DKG on the following websites:

Tau's website: <a href="mailto:alstau.weebly.com">alstau.weebly.com</a>
State website: <a href="mailto:alstau.weebly.com">alphastatetexas.org</a>
International website: <a href="mailto:deltakappagamma.org">deltakappagamma.org</a>

### **Officers**

President: Alicia Smith

1st Vice President: Lisa Rogers

2nd Vice President: Goldia Liles

Recording Secretary: Vickie McDougal

Corresponding Secretary: Ronda Brewer

Treasurer: Martha Kirgan
Parliamentarian: Virginia Riddle

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