



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Texas State Organization

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Hello From Your Area 16 Coordinator, Terri Stretcher:

I'm honored to be serving as your Area Coordinator. I'm looking forward to working with each of my chapter presidents and getting to know each chapter on a more personal basis as we share the bond we have for education and our Society.

At state convention I had the opportunity to meet most of you, and I look forward to meeting the few presidents that were not able to join us in Waco.

As your Area Coordinator my goals are to help each chapter reach their full potential. In our Society's song we are characterized as "firmly rally, never falling", "staunch", "courageous", examples of "loyalty and trust", "mindful of our sisters needing", and "helpful may we be". This past year our Society exhibited the words in our song. I want us to continue to encourage our sisters and bring others into our fold, look for opportunities to promote our society to our school administration and within our communities, and encourage our members to reach out to those around us that need our care, in our area and in Texas.

At the 2017 State Convention in Houston, our TSO president, Dr. Jo Murphy, chose the theme "Bridging Yesterday and Tomorrow" for her biennium. Our calling as members of the society is to honor our past and the goals of our founders, and instill a passion to continue celebrating those common goals.

Our TSO goals are:

- 1) Encourage members to strengthen their chapters by building membership diversity including members of all ages and ethnicities, as well as those who work in all types of schools.
- 2) Honor our heritage as we build membership, strengthen chapters, and take on new challenges in schools and communities.
- 3) Encourage healthy living strategies for our members and their families.
- 4) Support initiatives and programs that will enlighten and inform members about education worldwide.

I'm looking forward to this upcoming year and assisting you to fulfill the goals of Delta Kappa Gamma. If I can be of any help to you or your chapter, please feel free to call, text, or email me. I'm looking forward to 'firmly standing' with my sisters as we build our 'faith in one another' through this year.

Sincerely,

Terri Stretcher