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## Speakers bring diversity to Arlington

### POETRY AND THE ARTS

Karla K. Morton, the 2010 Texas State Poet Laureate and a member of the Texas Institute of Letters, is a celebrated poet, speaker, author and storyteller.

Currently Morton is involved in a special adventure, *Words of Preservation: A Poets Laureate National Parks Tour*. Launched in 2016 to celebrate the National Park Systems' 100-year anniversary, this 3-year tour will take her to all 60 of the U.S. National Parks, where she will document her journey through poetry and photography and ultimately create a book. Her hope is to contribute to the exploration, preservation and protection of our country's natural, beautiful spaces.



Karla Morton

During the Birthday Luncheon and her breakout session, Morton will be addressing arts education in Texas public schools.

### INTERNATIONAL UPDATES



Cathy Daugherty

Cathy P. Daugherty is the 2018-2020 International President of the Society. She is a retired Latin instructor with extensive experience on DKG international committees and boards; she was the recipient of the 2016 DKG Achievement Award while serving as international first vice-president. Daugherty was on the administrative board that initiated the DKG Schools for Africa project in 2010 and was spokesperson for the project. More recently, Daugherty chaired the DKG Constitution Committee and was charged with presenting proposed amendments to the convention membership in 2018 in Austin.

She will be speaking throughout the convention on the DKG - TSO connection.

### ENCOURAGEMENT

Congressional Veteran Commendation recipient, Elizabeth McCormick takes the challenges faced as a Black Hawk Helicopter pilot and Chief Warrant Officer for the United States Army and shares empowering, uplifting stories with relatable and actionable lessons. As a Black Hawk Helicopter Pilot Elizabeth has flown:

- Air Assault/Rappelling training missions
- VIPs like Generals, Members of Congress and Governors
- Command & Control battlefield management operations
- Military intelligence missions (Don't Ask - Top Secret!)



Elizabeth McCormick

During the *ASTEF Salutes* ticketed event, she will speak on believing in yourself and will continue the message in a breakout session.



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# Focusing on the arts

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STEM and STEAM. What do these two terms mean in today's schools? Do they have meaning for TSO members? Do they have meaning for students in Texas schools? If a line divided a room, and one side was STEM and the other was STEAM, where would teachers stand? STEM is an integrated curriculum of science, technology, engineering, mathematics. STEAM is science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics. Texas schools are adding STEM components at a rapid pace. Districts are building and refitting existing campuses to become STEM campuses. A primary focus of this activity is to include girls into these fields and not allow STEM to be male dominated. How can adding an "A" to this acronym make a difference?

Many who stand for STEM say that the creativity added to the curriculum in this environment is enough to stimulate the right side of the brain where early brain researchers said imagination, arts, rhythm, feelings, visualization and other creative components reside. Those who stand for STEAM have argued that leaving out the ARTS in the curriculum is leaving out a planned cultivation of artistic creativity in learners. Studies are beginning to show that humans are not just left-brained or right-brained. The two sides of the human brain are tied together and create a pathway for logical thinking with a feelings and humanity side accompanying it.

Research findings like the following from [www.americansforthearts.com](http://www.americansforthearts.com) are critical to helping many educators, parents and concerned citizens make up their minds:

- Students involved in the arts are more likely to have higher academic scores.
- Low income students highly engaged in the arts are twice as likely to graduate from college as their peers with no arts education.
- 93% of Americans believe that the arts are vital to providing a well-rounded education.
- Students who take 4 years of arts and music classes average almost 100 points higher on their SAT scores than students who take only one-half year or less.

While the STEM/STEAM debate continues, TSO will focus on students and the arts education movement at the Arlington Convention. The Women in the Arts Committee leads individual members to express their own talents with the Visual Arts Displays and STAR (Spectacular Texas Arts Retreat). STAR has been held for five consecutive years and reaches beyond TSO/DKG. Now the WIA Committee is ready to help school children showcase their artwork. Members will be able to enjoy TSO's first ever Children's Art Display in Arlington this summer.

# Hints and Tips from Headquarters

## Important Chapter Treasurer Update



**Timing is everything and now is the time to prepare to use the new online dues portal for submitting membership.**

1. Use the training materials for the new dues processing procedures; access the training site; study and go through the three presentations; practice everything.
2. If you don't know how to access the training materials, or if you cannot sign in to the training website, contact International or TSO immediately.
3. Please do not attempt to use the "live" portal until you have completed the training.
4. Print your chapter roster from Chapter Connect; this is your chapter's current membership roster. Contact International immediately if you see incorrect information.
5. Collect dues for 2019-2020 which will be submitted to International & TSO in June and July.

**A timely event to attend in June is the annual chapter treasurer workshop at the TSO convention in Arlington: "Building Confidence with the New Dues Processing Procedure."**

1. On Thursday, June 20, 3:00-4:45, join International President Cathy Daugherty, the TSO HQ staff and the TSO Finance Committee at this informative and collaborative workshop.
2. Bring questions, ideas and discoveries to share with other chapter treasurers.
3. Please do not wait until this workshop to begin learning about the online dues portal; contact TSO HQ as soon as possible if you have any questions about the new process.

**And now, it's time to get organized for the next membership year.**

1. Recycle all outdated forms and download and save the updated documents found on the International website at Chapter Connect: Form 15, Form 6 and Form 18A.
2. Use the DKG Texas Treasurer's page to access TSO specific forms: Dues & Fees Chart (2019 update) and Scholarship payment form (to be submitted with dues.)
3. Mark your calendar for the following:
  - May - July: mark & submit paid members using the online portal; mail dues to International; mail dues and fees to TSO
  - July 1-14: submit Form 15, Annual Report of Chapter Treasurer to [tsotreas@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tsotreas@sbcglobal.net)
  - July 1-31: file the 990N ePostcard online
  - July 1-31: update chapter member's email address and other contact information using the online dues portal

Don't hesitate to reach out to us if you have questions, concerns or ideas; we love to hear from members.

### At-A-Glance Deadlines

May 1	Cornet Award for Prof Dev 5-Star Newsletter Award
2	All reports for convention program
June 1	State Communications Biennial Report Personnel Expense Reports
15	Reports to ASTEF for Awarded Projects
20-22	Arlington Convention
July 17-20	Int'l Conference Costa Mesa
22-23	LOSP
Aug 9	Letters for Chapter Pres Kit
30	Pres Kit posted
Sept 1	Int'l Cornet award

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### Committee Meetings

June 19	Ex Comm ASTEF Board
Aug 2-4	Ex Comm retreat
Sept 7-8	PSP advisory council
19-22	ASTEF Board meeting

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### HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

Three new PowerPoint presentations posted on the state website ([www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)) on the Headquarters Committee page (and Resources page) invite members to learn all about state headquarters.

- *A Virtual Tour of TSO HQ* gives members a quick tour of state headquarters.
- *TSO HQ History, Dallas, Part 1* tours the places where state headquarters has been housed: members' homes, at TWU in Denton and in the current Dallas building. Accompanying Part 1 are HQ memories and reflections from a past executive secretary/ treasurer and three past state presidents.
- *TSO HQ History, Dallas, Part 2* spotlights the DKG and TSO archival items and gifts of art housed in the Dallas building.

These three slide shows offer chapter program material and member education about state headquarters, where employees conduct TSO business and where Society heritage is on display.



### MUSIC COMMITTEE

It is time for any member who likes to sing to sign up for the Texas State Chorus at the Arlington Convention. Chorus is THE Fun Place to be at convention. Playful songs as well as some poignant ones for the Birthday Luncheon and the Presidents and Founders Banquet have been chosen. A fee for music is included on the registration form. Registrants will receive directions to access the music from J. W. Pepper's website.

Pianists are needed to play Preludes and Postludes for large events. This is an important part of the music program. Volunteers may contact the Music Committee Chair, Sandy Woodlock, at [swood47@yahoo.com](mailto:swood47@yahoo.com).



### PROGRAMS & SERVICE PROJECTS COMMITTEE

The 2018 Annie Extravaganza program presentations presented at the Waco convention are on the state website. The 2019 Annie Extravaganza project presentations will be placed on the website prior to the Arlington Convention. Numerous ideas may be gleaned from these to help chapters plan meeting programs and service projects for the coming year.



### WOMEN IN THE ARTS

Sixty-eight Area 3 members, potential members, and guests recently joined together for the Second Annual STAR<sup>3</sup> retreat celebrating the arts. This one-day event is modeled after the statewide STAR retreat.

Attendees participated in three one-hour sessions of their choice. Ten mini projects were offered during their free time.

The last session of the day was devoted to creating duct tape journals to be given to Early Educators in the fall. The journals will include information about DKG and chapters in their area.

The goal of the day is to take time to focus on friends. Anyone interested in starting a local STAR may attend the STAR<sup>3</sup> team's breakout session at the Arlington Convention.



### LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION FOR STATE PERSONNEL

Training for 2019-2021 state officers, state committee chairs and area coordinators will be held Monday, July 22 - Tuesday, July 23, 2019, at the Sheraton Hotel in Arlington, Texas. Area coordinators will stay through Wednesday afternoon for further training.

To make the most of limited time, attendees will be sent a homework assignment prior to the orientation meeting.

# Patricia Hardy ASTEF Advocate for Education

Patricia “Pat” Hardy of Fort Worth was recently selected by ASTEF’s Board of Directors to receive the honor as the 3rd ASTEF Advocate for Education. Hardy, a long-time member of the Texas State Board of Education, was first elected to serve District 11 of the State Board in November 2002. She was then re-elected in 2004, 2008, 2012, 2014 and 2018. As a member of the Board, Hardy represents Parker County and parts of Dallas and Tarrant counties.



Patricia Hardy

With a desire to bring the experience and perspectives of a classroom teacher to the State Board of Education, Hardy has served on all three of the board’s committees. She is currently serving on the Committee on School Finance/ Permanent School Fund. The committee oversees the Permanent School Fund, the nation’s largest education endowment.

Hardy began her involvement in education reform at the state level after being appointed by the Texas Speaker of the House to the Texas Education Economic Policy Center in 1989 and the state’s Committee on Student Learning in 1992. These boards laid the foundation for the Texas public education system reform movement.

Retiring from the Weatherford Independent School District in 2017 as an instructional specialist, Hardy also served for five years as the Social Studies Coordinator. Prior to that, she taught high school world history and world geography for 30 years at Castleberry High School in Fort Worth.

A lifelong educator who remains truly committed to her craft, Hardy has served on many Texas and national education boards and committees. Currently, she is serving on a national panel on teacher alliances for the National Geographic Society and on the board for the Texas Council on Economic Education. Hardy has also received numerous education-related honors.

To stay directly in touch with today’s students, Hardy is co-director for the Kids Hope mentor program for her church and mentors an elementary student in Fort Worth ISD. Kids Hope USA is a national non-profit organization that facilitates mentoring relationships between caring adults and at-risk children. Kids Hope provides structure, training, support, and resources designed by churches for use in public schools to give at-risk kids what they need most – hope and love from a mentor.



Hardy holds a master’s degree in Secondary Education and History from the University of North Texas and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Studies from Howard Payne University.

The ASTEF Board of Directors, with great pride and humility, will be awarding the Advocate for Education Award to Hardy at the ASTEF Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 22, during the TSO Convention in Arlington. The ASTEF Advocate for Education

Award is given to a woman in Texas who is an avid supporter of education by showing her commitment to service and financial contributions to multiple areas of education while not a current educator herself. Members are invited to join the ASTEF Board of Directors at the ASTEF Annual Meeting in congratulating Patricia Hardy for her lifelong commitment and dedication to public education in Texas.



# Proposed Amendments for 2019 TSO State Convention

The Bylaws and Rules Committee presents for consideration by members, these proposed amendments to the Texas State Organization ruling documents. These proposals will be submitted to and voted on at the 2019 State Convention to be held in Arlington.

## **Proposal 1: Bylaws Article XII Amendments**

### **Be amended by addition**

If adopted will read:

Section D: Aligning to the *DKG Constitution and Standing Rules*

Changes in the *Texas State Bylaws* and *Texas State Rules* necessitated by amendments to the *DKG Constitution* and/or *International Standing Rules* shall be made by the Bylaws and Rules Committee and submitted to the State Executive Committee for review then reported to members on the TSO website.

Rationale: The above addition allows Texas State organization to automatically update the *Texas State Bylaws* and *Texas State Rules* to bring them into conformity with the *DKG Constitution and International Standing Rules*.

Financial Impact: None

Proposed by: International Parliamentarian Helen Popovich, Ph.D., PRP to TSO State President, and Bylaws and Rules Committee.

Endorsed by: Executive Committee and Bylaws and Rules Committee

## **Proposal 2. State Rules – 3.23**

Which now reads:

3.23 Each chapter is encouraged to develop a membership action plan.

Be amended as follows:

- Strike **develop a membership action plan**, insert **implement a plan of action for improvement, growth, and leadership**.

If adopted will read:

3.23 Each chapter is encouraged to implement a plan of action for improvement, growth, and leadership.

Rationale: The language better describes current practices within the Texas State Organization.

Financial impact: None

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Endorsed by: Executive Committee

## **Proposal 3. State Rules - 4.64 Reimbursements c. Meetings 1**

Which now reads:

1. Texas State Organization shall pay expenses of the state president, state executive secretary, state editor/photographer, and also one-half (1/2) of the expenses of the immediate past state president, to the international convention and the Southwest Regional Conference. The state treasurer shall be paid expenses for the first year of employment to attend the Southwest Regional Conference and Treasurers' training.

Be amended as follows:

- after the word expenses, insert the words **travel, lodging, registration, required events as applicable**
- before the words state executive secretary, insert the word **and**
- after the words state executive secretary, strike the words **state editor/photographer, and also one half (1/2) of the expenses of the immediate past state president**
- after the word to the, strike the words **Southwest Regional**, insert the words **appropriate international** strike the last sentence, substitute the words, **The state treasurer shall be paid the same expenses (except those paid by international) to attend the international conference for the first year of employment and additional years (if applicable) for treasurer's training. The immediate past state president shall be paid one half (1/2) of the same expenses to attend the international convention and international conference.**

If adopted will read:

Texas State Organization shall pay expenses (travel, lodging, registration, required events as applicable) of the state president and state executive secretary to the international convention and the appropriate international conference. The state treasurer shall be paid the same expenses (except those paid by International) to attend the international conference for the first year of employment and additional years when applicable for treasurer's training. The immediate past state president shall be paid one-half (1/2) of the same expenses to attend the international convention and the appropriate international conference.

**Amendments** from page 6

Rationale: Specifies allowable expenses and aligns terminology with International. The state editor/photographer is a contracted position and expenses may be defined in her contract. Allows the treasurer to attend training after the first year of her employment if needed.

Financial impact: Treasurer's expenses, not reimbursed by International, only if she has to attend new training (to be determined)

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Endorsed by: Executive Committee

**Proposal 4. State Rules - 4.64 Reimbursements c. Meetings 2 and 3**

Which now reads:

2. The first vice-president, second vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, parliamentarian, webmaster, and membership chair shall each be reimbursed up to Four Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$400.00) for expenses to attend the international convention.

3. The first vice-president (educational excellence chair), second vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, parliamentarian, webmaster, and membership chair shall each be reimbursed up to Four Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$400.00) for expenses to attend the Southwest Regional Conference.

Be amended as follows:

2.

- strike the word **webmaster**
- after the words international convention, add the words **and the appropriate international conference.**
- 3. strike **in its entirety**

If adopted will read:

2. The first vice-president, second vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, parliamentarian, and membership chair shall each be reimbursed up to Four Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$400.00) for expenses to attend the international convention and the appropriate international conference.

Rationale: The webmaster is a contracted position and expenses may be defined in the contract. Combining 4.64c2 and 4.64c3 makes it easier to read and clarifies expenses.

Financial impact: None

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Endorsed by: Executive Committee

**Proposal 5. State Rules - 4.64 Reimbursements c. Meetings 4**

Which now reads:

4. Texas State organization shall pay expenses of the state president, state executive secretary, state treasurer, and the state editor/photographer to the Texas State Convention.

Be amended as follows:

- after the word expenses, insert the words **travel, lodging, registration.**
- before the words state treasurer, add the word **and**
- strike the words, **and the state editor/photographer**

If adopted will read:

4. Texas State organization shall pay expenses (travel, lodging, registration) of the state president, state executive secretary, and state treasurer to the Texas State Convention.

Rationale: Adding additional language clarifies the specific expenses paid. The state editor/photographer is a contracted position and expenses may be defined in her contract.

Financial impact: None

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Endorsed by: Executive Committee

**Proposal 6. State Rules - 4.64 Reimbursements c. Meetings 5**

Which now reads:

5. Reimbursable expenses for state officers, state parliamentarian, past state presidents, state committee chairs, area coordinators, state webmaster, state convention pianist, state convention AV technologist, administrative clerk, and executive assistant to attend the Texas State Convention shall be registration fee, transportation to and from the place of meeting, and lodging for the nights included in the meeting calendar.

Be amended as follows:

- after the words area coordinators, strike the words **state webmaster, state convention pianist and state convention AV technologist**

Amendments from page 7

If adopted will read:

5. Reimbursable expenses for state officers, state parliamentarian, past state presidents, state committee chairs, area coordinators, administrative clerk, and executive assistant to attend the Texas State Convention shall be registration fee, transportation to and from the place of meeting, and lodging for the nights included in the meeting calendar.

Rationale: The webmaster is a contracted position and expenses may be defined in the contract.

Expenses of the state convention pianist and state convention AV technologist will be covered in State President responsibilities as listed in the TSO guidelines.

Financial impact: None

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Endorsed by: Executive Committee

#### **Proposal 7. State Rules - 4.64 Reimbursements c. Meetings 7**

Which now reads:

7. The chapter president or official representative who attends leadership development for chapter presidents training and the Executive Board meeting at the Texas State Convention in odd years shall receive a stipend.

Be amended as follows:

- after the words chapter presidents training, strike the words **and the Executive Board meeting**

If adopted will read:

7. The chapter president or official representative who attends leadership development for chapter presidents training at the Texas State Convention in odd years shall receive a stipend.

Rationale: The language better describes current practices within the Texas State Organization. The stipend is for attending chapter presidents training in odd years.

Financial Impact: None; Chapter presidents are currently being paid a stipend if they attend chapter presidents training in odd years.

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Recommended by: Executive Committee

#### **Proposal 8. State Rules - 5.5 Coordinating Councils**

**Be amended by addition:**

- after 5.53 add **5.54 Coordinating councils having a bank account shall submit a 990N annually to the IRS**

If adopted will read:

5.5 Coordinating Councils

5.51 Changes in leadership of a coordinating council shall be sent to the state president.

5.52 The state president shall be notified prior to any official action when a coordinating council is organized or dissolved.

5.53 Coordinating councils are self-supporting.

5.54 Coordinating councils having a bank account shall submit a 990N annually to the IRS.

Rationale: Clarifies actions that need to be taken by coordinating councils.

Financial Impact: None

Proposed by: Executive Committee

Recommended by Executive Committee

## **Coordinating Council chairs meet in Arlington**

TSO Coordinating Council Chairs will meet during the convention in Arlington on Friday, June 21, at 3:30 p.m. Members are asked to check the convention program for the room information. If a council will change chairs on July 1, both present and new chairs are invited to the meeting. Chairs are requested to bring a current copy of the council bylaws, if possible. Those chairs unable to attend this meeting need to contact Judy Mezick, TSO recording secretary, at [j.mezick@verizon.net](mailto:j.mezick@verizon.net) before the convention.

# Introducing the convention chairs

**Jeanette Rhyan** was raised on a 365-acre farm in southwest Iowa. She and her two older brothers were active in various school sports. It was no wonder that she majored in Secondary Physical Education and Health and received a bachelor's degree from Dana College in Blair, Nebraska. Her teaching career spanned 39 ½ years: 2 ½ years at Moe High School located in Moe, Victoria, Australia; 16 years at Holbrook Junior High School in Holbrook, Arizona; 21 years in the Arlington Independent School District. She retired from Ousley Junior High School in 2014. Jeanette's involvement in Delta Kappa Gamma began when she was initiated into Gamma Chapter in Holbrook, Arizona, in 1982. When she and her husband moved to Texas, she transferred her membership to Theta Chi Chapter. Whether at the state or chapter level, she continues to stay busy serving on various committees. She enjoys writing stories about her childhood and presenting DKG programs at chapters around the state.



Jeanette Rhyan

**Kelly Broadus** grew up in Mineral Wells and attended Texas Christian University, where she earned degrees in Elementary Education and Educational Administration. She taught K-2 Gifted and Talented, 4th and 5th grades, and spent one year as the Ft. Worth Academy Director of Middle School before making the decision to stay home and raise her family. She became a member of the Iota Pi Chapter in the spring of 1999. Despite leaving the classroom years ago, Kelly's passion for education has wholeheartedly remained. This passion has been fed through a variety of outlets including Delta Kappa Gamma, multiple roles at her children's school and educational opportunities at her church. Currently, she is a member of the Board of Regents for The Oakridge School in Arlington and is chair of the Education Committee. Kelly cherishes time with family and friends, enjoys travel, participates in Bible Study Fellowship and delights in reading books.



Kelly Broadus

**Susan Wilson** grew up in a military family and attended many schools as a child. Eventually the family settled in Arlington, Texas, where she graduated from Arlington High School. She headed down the road to UTA where she majored in Architecture and minored in English. Five years later, she returned to UTA for her Education Certification. When she began teaching English Language Arts at Brewer Middle School, she put down roots and stayed there for 27 years. It was there she met many lifelong friends and didn't have to leave them behind. Her initiation into Epsilon Nu chapter in 1999 brought more wonderful women into her life, and she has served on chapter as well as state committees. She retired in 2016 and really thought that life would take on a slower pace. However, after becoming an Airbnb host (offering someone's home as a place to stay) with four properties, a convention co-chair, and a substitute teacher, life actually picked up speed. She enjoys traveling, reading, gardening and trips to museums.



Susan Wilson

*In the successful organization, no detail is too small to escape close attention.*

Lou Holtz

# Alpha State Remembers

*We mourn the passing and celebrate the lives of those cherished members of the Society whose deaths have been reported to Texas Necrology Chair René Pittman between February 1, 2019 and April 1, 2019. They are reported by their chapter and place of residence at the time of death using Form 6, Report of the Death of a Member, found at [www.dkgtxas.org](http://www.dkgtxas.org) under Committees, Necrology.*

*CH = Chapter Honorary*

Dorothy Day, Alpha Omega-1, Groves  
Marie Boyd Johnson, Theta Omega-2, Galveston  
Mildred Bogan Blair, Beta Omicron-3, Tomball  
Camilla Wallace, Gamma Pi-6, Moore  
Effie Mae Davis, Epsilon Beta-6, San Antonio  
Dr. Gloria Gamez-Solorio, Theta Beta-6, Elk Grove, CA  
Margaret Ann Beardsley, Alpha-7, Austin  
Beulah Merline Holland, Alpha Chi-7, Marble Falls  
Anita Brewer Howard, Epsilon Kappa-7, Austin (CH)  
Dorothy Spencer Bates, Tau-8, Waco  
Patricia Webster Cunningham, Tau-8, Houston  
Dora Diana Alvarez, Epsilon-9, Plano  
Carol Jean Welch, Alpha Tau-9, Terrell  
Janie Sandvig, Gamma Beta-9, McKinney  
Jane Dianne Lanman, Alpha Gamma-10, Cleburne  
DeLois Duncan, Epsilon Alpha-10, Mineral Wells  
Mary McCown, Alpha Sigma-12, Lubbock  
Carol Miller, Zeta Lambda-12, Snyder  
Ruth Owens, Zeta Xi-14, Nashville, TN  
Patricia Kougar-Melton, Lambda Alpha-18, Houston

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**Minnie Abrego-Sanchez**, Kappa Beta (San Antonio-6), was honored by The Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce (TAMACC) at their seventh annual Women of Distinction Awards luncheon in March.

**Jacque Porter**, Alpha (Austin-7), was appointed by the Texas Governor to chair the Texas Early Learning Council to oversee the Statewide Development Grant Birth to Five.

**Diane Gallier**, Iota Rho (Nederland-2), was awarded a grant from the Nederland Education Foundation for STEM materials.

**Dr. Shenequa Miller, Paula Massey & Dr. Rebecca Tuerk**, Beta Lambda (Commerce-17), received 2019 Social Justice Awards from the Hunt County African American Leadership Conference.

Published in the 2019, Volume 85-4 issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: International Journal for Professional Educators*:

- **Tia Agan & Dara Anderson**, Alpha Beta (San Angelo-13), “FlipGrid to Enhance Communication in Distance Education.”
- **Deborah J. Williams**, Sigma (Nacogdoches -1), “Using Think-Aloud to Strengthen Inquiry and Research Pedagogy.”

## arts&humanities

Three Texas members will have works displayed in the DKG Fine Arts Gallery beginning in May.

- **Jeanette Rhyan**, Theta Chi Chapter, (Ft Worth-10), has two essays, “Farm House Recipes” and “The Old Country Store.”
- **Debbi Ball**, Gamma Eta (Spur-12), has two photographs, “Fairy Dream” and “A Girl and Her Guitar.”
- **Amber Lockhart**, Beta Sigma (Olney-16), has a photograph, “Abandoned.”

## Unifying Project 2019



CASA of Tarrant County is the recipient of contributions to the 2019 TSO Unifying Project. The convention website has a list of needed items.

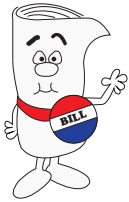
# Members will be recognized in Arlington

At this year's TSO Convention in Arlington, any woman who has been a member of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for fifty or more years may choose to be recognized at the Birthday Luncheon on Friday, June 21, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. Convention registration is \$50.00 and tickets for the Birthday Luncheon are \$40.00. A meet and greet will be held prior to the Birthday Luncheon from 11:00 to 11:45 in the Gallery in front of Salon B, where the Birthday Luncheon will be held.

Celebrating  
50+  
years  
Membership

A space is provided on the registration form to indicate that a 50/50+ member is attending the convention and wishes to be honored. For more information, please contact Dr. Jo Murphy at [texaspres.dkg@aol.com](mailto:texaspres.dkg@aol.com). The registration form can be found in the spring *Lone Star News*, or online at [www.dkgtexasconvention2019.weebly.com](http://www.dkgtexasconvention2019.weebly.com).

## Legislative Committee reviews bills affecting education



"I'm just a bill, yes I'm only a bill" is how the classic School House Rock song goes. That song was sung by MANY potential laws in Austin through the end of winter and into spring this year.

Students, teachers, retirees, voting and elections, and daylight saving time all got attention from our representatives and senators. Changes in school finance, including salary increases, were on the agenda. TRS saw many bills filed regarding cost-of-living increases, one time supplement payments and changes in the contribution formulas. The TSO Legislation Committee members kept their eyes on these bills and many more filed during this 86th Legislature.

So how will it end? Which bills will get hoisted up and declared laws? Will there be a special session this year? Pamela Burge, TSO Legislation Chair, and her committee will present a session at the convention in Arlington covering actions of the 86th Legislature.

## Nu Epsilon chapter chartered March 30, 2019

Transfer members, reinstated members and new inductees met at DKG International Headquarters in Austin, Texas, for the chartering of a new chapter, Nu Epsilon.

Marilyn Gregory, TSO Expansion Committee Chair; TSO President Jo Murphy; and the TSO Executive Committee members conducted the chartering ceremony for Nu Epsilon and the induction ceremony for the new members.

Debby Krueger, Pflugerville-7, is the president of Nu Epsilon.





## In search of an answer

Nancy Newton, TSO President 2013-2015

Last August, prowling through eBay's latest Delta Kappa Gamma listing, I came across a shock! A Delta Kappa Gamma state president's pin offered for sale; **HOW could this be?**

I had become accustomed to seeing key pins and chapter president pins, but a STATE president's pin! Oh, no! Immediately I called the Texas State Executive Secretary, Cheryl Crawford, and told her what I'd seen. She concurred that Texas needed to purchase the pin. Texas State Organization President Dr. Jo Murphy agreed and authorized me to contact the seller and see if we could purchase the pin. Within ten minutes, the Texas State Organization became the owner of a DKG state president's pin. Our intention was to present the pin to the incoming 2019-2021 TSO President at her installation this June.

The seller had no information about the pin except that on the back was scratched S 35 36. In the next few days, I researched which states were chartered during 1935-36 and had presidents with the last initial of "S." *The Heritage, Vol. I*, revealed that only two state presidents in that time period had a last name that began with "S" — Maycie K. Southall, Tennessee, who later became international president and an international achievement award recipient; and Hildegard Sweet, first state president of Colorado.

I wrote Becky Sadowski in Tennessee asking if Tennessee had Dr. Southall's pin and Kathy Flynn of Colorado inquiring about Hildegard's pin. In two days, Kathy replied Colorado was chartered in 1935; however, Hildegard Sweet did not become state president until 1936 and served until 1939. Flynn was certain the pin was not Sweet's pin.

Becky's Tennessee answer was more intriguing. She explained that Xi State was chartered November 30, 1935. Dr. Southall was the first state president and was installed in 1935. This could explain the date 35 36 on the back of the pin. Years later, Dr. Southall became ill and subsequently died, but she had left her DKG jewelry to a close DKG friend asking her to return the pieces to the proper places. When that lady became ill, she asked another DKG member and a colleague of Dr. Southall's to keep the envelope containing the jewelry until she recovered and could contact a Tennessee state officer to determine what should be done with it. Unfortunately, the member passed away before that happened, and Dr. Southall's colleague kept the envelope of jewelry locked in a box with other valuables for years. When this second DKG member died, her daughter brought her mother's valuables to her home and kept them locked in what she thought was a safe place. However, her home was burglarized and most of her valuables (including the envelope of Maycie Southall's jewelry) were stolen.

TSO's Executive Committee, on October 5-6, 2018, unanimously agreed to offer the pin to Tennessee at the price Texas paid as a gesture of sisterhood between the two states. On October 28, Tennessee Executive Board members gladly voted to reimburse Texas the purchase price of the pin.

Thanks to Texas, each state president of Tennessee while in office will proudly wear the key pin of Tennessee's first initiate, Tommie Reynolds, and the state president's pin of their first state president, Dr. Maycie Southall.



Texans Marilyn Gregory and Connie Rensink present the Southall pin to Becky Sadowski and Elaine Warwick, Tennessee State Organization

# Explore learning opportunities in Arlington

CPE — Continuing Professional Education

PDI — Personal Development Interests

SB — Society Business

WIA — Women in the Arts

**Thursday, June 20, 2019 2:00 – 4:45** (Exact times will be listed in the convention program.)

Blanca M. Galindo & Cora Arechiga

**Attaining a Distinguished Rating on T-TESS DIMENSION 2.5 Monitor and Adjust (CPE)**

Lou Hitt and TSO Archives Committee

**Update Your Chapter Records (SB)**

Genia Klein

**Becoming a Global Citizen in a Texas Classroom (CPE)**

Renee Jones

**Cultivate Your PLN (SB)**

Janet Helmcamp & Shelly Samuels

**Where Do I Fit in the Big Picture? (SB)**

Persis Ann Forster

**A Dance Performance and Demonstration (WIA)**



Persis Ann Forster is a graduate of UTA with a BA in Radio/TV; she has been teaching for over 45 years and currently helps manage and instructs at the Miss Persis Studio of Dance and the Performing Arts. She will be accompanied by one of her students, Megan Kerry.

Dr. Barbara Derrick & ASTEF Directors

**ASTEF and You! (SB)**

Betty Hill, Deborah Mahlmann, Frances Ziegenhals

**Pioneer Women – “Cup of Sugar” (CPE)**

Leesa Cole, TSO State Treasurer;  
Cathy Daugherty, DKG Int'l President;  
Deborah Thomas, TSO Exec Assistant;  
Cheryl Crawford, TSO Exec Secretary

**Building Confidence with the New Dues Processing Procedure (SB)**

Vivian Ferchill

**Atomic Habits: Tiny Changes Can Make a Big Difference (PDI)**

Dr. Lisa Rogers

**Games for DKG 2019 (SB)**

Risa McCann

**Culinary and Hospitality Arts: Twenty-First Century Opportunities (WIA) (CPE)**

Brenda Pearson

**Painting and Ponies on Chincoteague Island (PDI)**

Tracy Shea

**Make Poetry Come Alive, Start a DKG Chapter Poetry Festival (SB)**

Dr. Karen M. Duke

**The Benefits of Active Chapter Committees (SB)**

Delia O'Steen & Katherine Anderson

**Teach With Your Strengths (CPE)**

Dianne Randolph

**Interactive Examination of Opera with a Professional Soprano (WIA) (CPE)**



Dianne Randolph is a classically trained soprano who has performed throughout Europe and the United States, exploring the rich musical styles of African American and European classical traditions. She will explore the efficacy of the joy in music as a part of education. The interactive session will examine some ways that music can promote academic achievement and self-esteem through literacy and performance. Active participation is encouraged in a session which recognizes educators as being the chief advocates for music and all arts in education.

**Friday, June 21, 2019 9:00 – 4:15** (Exact times will be listed in the convention program.)

Tracy Shea & Janet Helmcamp

**Effective Chapter Communication and Organization (SB)**

Mickey Cole & Ginger Morgan

**Fiber Art is Amazing Art! (WIA)**

Heather Stark

**When the Shame Sets In (CPE)**

Sandra Godwin, Jan Coffey, Pat Bitner  
Suzanne Gates

**Energizing Your Chapter Support Strategies (SB)**

Gary Swartz

**What's New at the Arlington Arts Museum? (WIA)**



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**Breakouts from page 13**

Susan Hayes & Trish Alway  
 Genia Klein  
 Amanda Daniels  
 Renee Jones  
 Karla Morton

**Supporting Cancer Patients in Your Chapter and Community (SB)**  
**DKG IS global-- is your chapter? (SB)**  
**Survival Kit for Teaching (CPE)**  
**Add Sparkle to Your Chapter Communications with Adobe Spark (SB)**  
**Meet Karla Morton, Poet Laureate (WIA)**



Karla will address what she feels is critical about arts education in Texas. As part of the "Little Town, Texas Tour" she logged thousands of miles across Texas to take poetry and the arts into schools across the state, focusing particularly on small towns under-served by the arts.

Judy Mezick, TSO Recording Secretary  
 Pamela Phillips & Deborah Parrish  
 Pam Hennigan  
 Renee Jones  
 Elizabeth McCormick

**TSO Coordinating Council Chairs Meeting (SB)**  
**Educational Travel for Educators (PDI)**  
**Google WHAT?? (CPE)**  
**Google Docs for Chapter Newsletters (SB)**  
**Elizabeth McCormick**



In this continuation of her address during ASTEF SALUTES, members will hear the real-life inspirational stories of overcoming obstacles as Elizabeth became a Black Hawk pilot, a position normally held exclusively by men. Her message: YOU: in the Pilot's Seat, will inspire, inform, and provide practical methods to empower us to "take our lives and careers to the next level."



**Saturday, June 22, 2019 1:00 – 4:45 (Exact times will be listed in the convention program.)**

Carole Lowe, Lynda Moyer & Carolyn Underwood  
 Pamela Burge  
 Genia Klein  
 Pam Stevenson  
 Virginia Olsovsky & TSO Personal and Professional Enrichment Committee  
 Dr. Barbara Derrick  
 Blanca M. Galindo & Christine Kelley  
 Aurora Gonzalez de Freire  
 Renee Jones  
 Pat Osborne & TSO Scholarship Comm.  
 Dr. Lisa Rogers  
 Sandy Woodlock & TSO Music Comm.  
 Michelle Grandinetti & TSO Programs and Service Projects Committee  
 Dr. Karen M. Duke  
 Debbie Ball  
 Tracy Shea  
 Bunnie Cowan, Shirl Hawes, Brenda Lozano, Linda Tindell,  
 Phyllis Brown Walker  
 Dr. Barbara Baethe & TSO Research Committee  
 Linda Schulz & Kathryn Wright  
 Cathy Daugherty, DKG International President

**Touring Versatile Texas (PDI)**  
**Updates from the TSO Legislation Committee (SB)**  
**Global Awareness from an International Perspective (CPE)**  
**Joseph's Hammer, Building a Place for Transformation (PDI)**  
**Personal and Professional Growth and Enrichment (SB)**  
**STAR Power 3, a one-day arts retreat in Galveston (WIA)**  
**"You Can't Pour From an Empty Cup" (CPE)**  
**Harvey Bear & Author: How to move an idea from story board to printed book. (CPE)**  
**Tweeting for DKG (CPE)**  
**Crossing the Bridge to Success (SB)**  
**More Games for DKG 2019 (SB)**  
**Make Music with The TSO Music Committee (WIA)**  
**The Value of Chapter Projects (SB)**  
**How Does a Poem Mean? (CPE)**  
**Use a NETWORK to Cross that Bridge (SB)**  
**Google Hangouts, Experience Learning and Collaboration in a New Way (CPE)**  
**Spectacular Texas Arts Retreat, the Mini-Version! (WIA)**  
**Am I Missing a Piece? (CPE)**  
**Research Committee Review (SB)**  
**Get Your Camera and Let's Travel (PDI)**  
**Q and A for Chapter Presidents (SB)**  
**Spectacular Texas Arts Retreat, the Mini-Version! Continued (WIA)**

Sallie Frederick, Virginia Bowers, Kathy Glidewell, Frances Ziegenhals

# What does \$25 buy in today's world?

Ever wonder what \$25 can buy? According to Google, \$25 can buy the following: ½ gym monthly membership, 12 to 15 iTunes songs, 4 Starbucks specialty beverages, 2 matinee movie tickets and a very small popcorn, lunch out with gratuity, 3 Chipotle burritos, or a Justin Bieber t-shirt.

According to ASTEF, \$25 will buy you so much more! A \$25 tax-deductible contribution is an investment in the lives of fellow members, aspiring women educators, local communities, Texas educators, and in children and students across the state.

Your \$25 investment goes a long way in supporting fellow members who are advancing their degrees, obtaining additional certifications, and in providing professional development. Members are also supported in lifelong learning through adult scholarships.

Your \$25 investment is used to aid aspiring educators in completing their degrees and reaching their goal of becoming an educator. And in time, hopefully these women will become either collegiate or active DKG members.

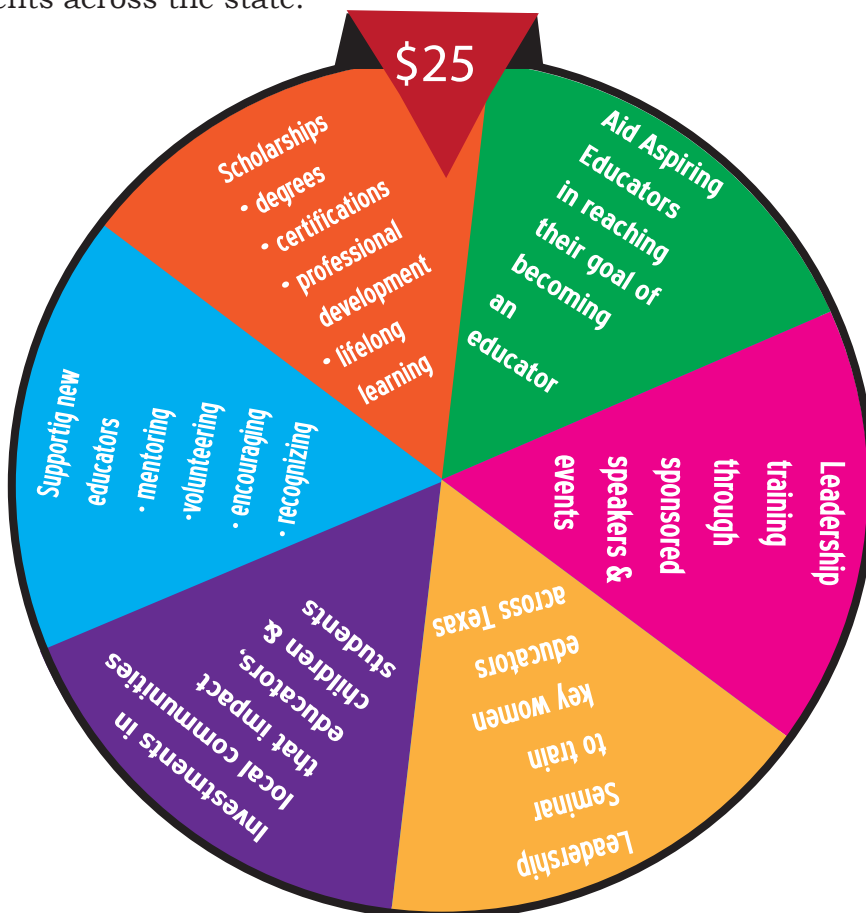
Your \$25 investment provides leadership training to members through sponsored speakers and events. Every two years the Leadership Seminar is held, providing valuable leadership training to 30 key women educators across the state.

Your \$25 investment is used in local communities across the state in providing needed projects that impact Texas educators, children and students. Some of the projects supported this year include: books for newborns, little rural libraries, Buddy Benches, meals for children in grief, activity boxes for childcare centers, garden-based learning experiences and technology insurance for homeless students.

Your \$25 investment goes to supporting educators by providing mentoring, volunteering in classrooms, providing classroom supplies, giving goodie bags or treats, and doing other things that encourage and recognize new educators.

Your investment of \$25 or more to ASTEF is one that keeps on giving as ASTEF is committed to impacting education by impacting educators.

Now if you just have to have that Justin Bieber t-shirt, we understand. Otherwise, your \$25 or higher tax-deductible investment is greatly appreciated. Your investment is helping make dreams come true for so many! Thank you for investing in the lives of members, educators, aspiring educators, children, and students across the state.



# Transportation provides Arlington opportunities

Arlington, Texas, lies between the cities of Dallas and Ft Worth. Today it is known as an entertainment destination in Texas with its major league baseball and football stadiums, family entertainment venues such as Six Flags Over Texas and Hurricane Harbor, and the

new Esports Stadium for gaming enthusiasts who like to join other players in competitive computer gaming. How did it get that distinction?

Before 1843, the land was occupied at various times by Tonkawa, Hasinai Caddo, Comanche, Kiowa, and Wichita Indian tribes. A United States land treaty with the American Indians over land usage was an invitation for Anglo immigrants to come from Tennessee, Virginia and Kentucky to settle the region with its fertile land and open spaces.

Settlers came, brought their families, their churches and their skills. One

such man was the Reverend Andrew Hayter. He quickly made a name for himself as a preacher, civic leader and surveyor. Being a surveyor, he was asked in 1876 to locate the Texas and Pacific Railroad through eastern Tarrant County and lay out a tiny, half-mile-square settlement between Dallas and Fort Worth. The railroad designers needed in-depth knowledge of the area and its terrain, as well as a plentiful source of timber to construct the road bed. Andrew Hayter could supply the necessary surveying knowledge, and he also owned property filled with large timbers that could be furnished to the railroad. When the railroad offered to name their new town Hayter, the reverend declined the offer and instead gave the town the name Arlington, after Robert E. Lee's Virginia estate.

First came the railroad and then came the 1902 interurban electric trolley which linked Dallas and Ft. Worth with Arlington as one of its stops. In 1957, the Dallas-Ft Worth Turnpike (toll road) offered a 30 minute drive between Dallas and Ft Worth passing only two restaurants and two service stations. Arlington again had a connection to bigger markets, and the markets had a link to Arlington. Four years later, Six Flags Over Texas was built along the wide expanse of the turnpike. Its success lead to an explosion of development in Arlington and a beginning of a great entertainment destination. The half square mile settlement is now the 100 square mile city of Arlington, Texas.



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Transportation is being provided by Roadrunner Charters for those members and guests staying at the Hilton Hotel on Lamar. On Thursday only, members will be able to take the Arlington Trolley to and from the convention. Starting Thursday evening, free shuttles will run continuously throughout the convention to get members safely to their destination. Attendees choosing to drive a car to the Expo Center will pay a daily fee of \$5.00. The fee covers unlimited in and out service.

Members staying at the Hilton Hotel do not have parking privileges at the Sheraton Hotel.

