



*The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International*  
*Texas State Organization*  
*The News from Nu Chapter*

Nu Chapter # 13 Area 7 Alpha State, Texas, Hays County

Motto "Bridging our present with our future"

Goal "Reaching out to create fellowship by expanding our membership to like minded educators and strengthening our community involvement"

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

Vision Statement: "Leading women educators impacting education worldwide."

2018-2020 International Theme "EMT - Evolution, Momentum, Transparency "

2017-2019 TSO Theme "Bridging yesterday and tomorrow"

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Tanya's Thoughts

I am excited about our upcoming year for Nu. The state convention was excellent in Waco this

summer. Officers attended many of the breakout sessions and we look forward to sharing what we learned throughout the year.. A great big thanks to all of the committees that made our chapter one of the top award winners. International Convention was packed from morning to night. Our chapter was fortunate to be one of the lucky chapters selected from our sisters in Japan and presented with the 1000 cranes. They will be presented sometime this fall to Doris Miller School in San Marcos. We will keep you posted on the date so that everyone who is interested may attend the presentation. There were many decisions made at the State and International level regarding Delta Kappa Gamma's Constitution. Legislative committee will share these with us in September. The Executive Board met in July, and we are hoping to excite all members in participating in meetings, programs and our community service projects. We will be hosting a prospective member Tea at the Wimberly Library on August 26th at 2:00 PM. Hope to see you and your prospective member at the Tea!

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**After several hours of debate and many amendments to amendments, to amendments , we are still “The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International”! Dr. Blanton would be proud!**

Invitation is still the only way to become a member. A member is still a member of all three levels – chapter, state, and international once she is **inducted**. An active member shall be a woman who is or has been employed as a professional educator at the time of her election. An active member shall participate in the activities of the society. Collegiate members shall be undergraduate or graduate students who meet certain criteria which will be in the Constitution.

Some of the above is the new wording which will be in the Constitution after it has been updated following the Constitutional Amendments at the 2018 International Convention.(Editor)

**ΔΚΓ** The name is a combination of the initial letters of three Greek words: Διδασκαοι— Didaskotikai meaning teachers; Κλειδουχοι— Kleidouchai meaning key;and Γυναικεζ— Gynaikes meaning women. Today we use DKG. “Society” designates the international.



Past International Presidents attending the 2018 Convention in Austin.  
Seated (from left to right) Jacky Cuppy, Carolyn Pittman, and Dr. Carol Mueller. Standing, l to r, Dr. Carolyn Rants, Dr. Beverly Helms, Dr. Jensi Sounders, Dr. Barbara Day, Evelyn Barron, and Dr. Lyn Schmid.  
(Picture courtesy Beverly Helms)



Cathy Daugherty, 2018-2020 International President  
“EMT - Evolution, Momentum, Transparency”



**Sandra and Loretta receiving the 1,000 Peace Cranes from Japan to present to the school.**



**Balloon bluebonnets used throughout the convention area.**



**Peace Cranes from Japan Presentation**



**Ready to take care of Convention business: Loretta, Nadyne, and Sandra. (not shown is Tanya)**



**Global Awareness Luncheon**



All ready for Celebration Banquet on Friday night: Nadyne, Loretta, and Sandra. Seems we all got the same memo! Interesting banquet – ask Sandra!



Benjamin Zander, Boston Philharmonic Orchestra and Boston Philharmonic Youth Orchestra Conductor, was guest speaker. Here he is with Shawna Denny, NM.

**Coming Events at Beginning of Nu New Year**  
 Mendez Elementary School, San Marcos, for presenting the \$2,500.00 ASTEF check to them. Date and time to be announced.

**Japan Peace Project Presentation TBA**

**Tuesday, September 11**, St. Mark’s Episcopal Church 3039 RR 12 San Marcos, TX  
 5:30 Dinner Meeting 6:00  
 Officers Hosting Salad Supper  
 \*Program Title: The Latest from State and International

**Saturday Sept. 15** 8:45-12:45 Area Workshop Patsy Sommer Elementary 16200 Avery Ranch Blvd Austin, TX

According to Revised 2016 Chapter Communications and Publicity Guidelines one of my responsibilities as editor is to: **emphasize and describe members’ professional works, classroom innovations, research, and creative pursuits.** The only way I can accomplish this important aspect of my duties is with your support and help. Please send me information of your activities regularly. **Nothing is unimportant if it involves our sisters.** News is compiled within one week of meetings.

Before we went to International Convention, we went to State Convention in Waco.



Ruth, Loretta, Nadyne, Tanya, and Sandra.



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**\$2,500 ASTEF WINNER! NU!**



**Tables were at a premium! Nadyne and “Charlie” used a trash can – Ruth chose the floor!**



**Ruth, Sandra, and Nadyne at 50+ year reception**



**Coffee time with Loretta, Ruth, and Sandra**

**ASTEF Strong at Area Workshops**

All Area Workshops will include a presentation on ASTEF and how you can connect to OUR Foundation.



ASTEF Directors will be present at all 18 workshops to present information on the Foundation and will update everyone on the Many Hats ASTEF wears.

Those in attendance will be among the first to receive the newly created brochure and bookmark highlighting the 2017-2018 funds provided to our three major areas: Scholarship, Leadership, and Projects. Many workshops will also have a break-out session on the Foundation. You won't want to miss your Area Workshop.

Be sure to be on the lookout for ASTEF related topics. See you there! (ASTEF UPDATE summer 2018)

**The Area Workshop will be  
Saturday Sept. 15 8:45-12:45  
Patsy Sommer Elementary  
16200 Avery Ranch Blvd Austin, TX**



**Risa McCann doing a fantastic job with membership!  
We need her for a chapter program!**



**2018 ASTEF WINNERS**



**Loretta and Ruth studying breakout sessions.**

**2018 Nu Scholarship Winner Katie Usry**



**Tonda will be waiting to collect the chapter dues at the first meeting. \$83.00 and arrangements can be made for multiple payments, if needed.**

Note from Sandra. "Wes & I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in July. We received special congratulations from President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania".



**September**  
Rece B. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sue T. 8<sup>th</sup>  
Laura Z. 8th  
Martha H. 29th

#### Highlights from July 31, 2018 Planning Meeting

Officers for 2018-2020 were reviewed.  
Committees were established with chairs.  
Presentation of ASTEF check to Mendez will be the week of August 13.  
DKG Nu chapter will have a table at SMCISD Convocation to promote membership. Would also like to include other districts in this membership drive.  
Area Workshop is scheduled for Sept. 15 at Sommer Elementary,  
Calendar with programs and events was established for the year.

#### **Raffle Baskets for Special Funds**

September—Leadership Seminar (Social Committee)  
October—Eula Lee Carter Memorial Fund (Music Committee)  
November- World Fellowship (Global Awareness Committee)  
December—Schools for Africa (Scholarship Committee)  
February—Nu Scholarship (Members)  
April-ASTEF (Ceremonies)  
May—State Scholarship (Legislative Committee)

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**Upcoming events: A table at SMCISD Convocation for membership drive on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed (7:30 AM-9:30 AM) Potential new member Tea at Wimberly Library on the 26th at 2:00 PM.**

Help still needed!! We are still needing help for the San Marcos convocation. Volunteers are needed to set up and man a table for Nu at San Marcos High School Convocation. It is Tuesday, August 14 from 7:30am until 9:30am. They are providing a table. I have brochures, information and candy to give out to teachers and staff. If there is any way that you can help please contact me. I will have to be at my school that morning by 7:30 so I am unable to help but I will get everything to you ASAP!

Work 512-393-6670 or mobile 409-781-1941

Thank you so much!!

Best regards, Tanya

#### **First meeting of 2018-2019**

**Tuesday, September 11, 5:30 Dinner Meeting 6:00**

St. Mark's Episcopal Church 3039 RR 12 San Marcos, TX

Salad Supper: Chapter Officers hosting

Inspiration: Sandra Morales

\*Program Title: The Latest from State and International

Program Purpose: To inform members of purposes of NU, TSO, and DKG

Annual Chapter Project: School supplies for sisters still in classroom

Society Purpose: 1, 2, 5, 6, 7,

Music: "Getting to Know You" Sandra and Loretta

Raffle Basket: Leadership Seminar (Social committee)

## 2018-20 Nu Chapter Officers

### Officers for 2018-2020

President: Tanya Rhodes  
1st VP: Loretta Eiben  
2nd VP: Karen Franco  
Recording Secretary: Cheryl Blake  
Corresponding Secretary: Carol Plassmann  
Treasurer: Tonda Frady  
Immediate Past President/Parliamentarian:  
Sandra Morales  
Nominating Committee:  
Gracie Rocha, Chairman  
Clem Cantu  
Connie Martin-Thompson  
Contact Information in Nu Yearbook and  
on Nu Chapter Website  
[www.nuchaptertxdkg.weebly.com](http://www.nuchaptertxdkg.weebly.com)

Information from our Committees should be in  
this space!

Information from our members about their  
activities and creative endeavors should be in this  
space!

If you see something or hear something which  
you think would be of interest to someone else  
send me the information, and we will share it!

## Committees

### Society Business:

Achievement Awards: Dr. Evelyn Barrett, Jenny  
Turney

Archives: Sandra Morales, Cheryl Blake,

Ceremonies: Gracie Rocha, Janis Brown, Karen  
Franco

Chapter Rules: Ruth Spear, Peggy Hilburn, Nadyne  
Gartman

Finance: Carol Grimm, Wanda Frix, Virginia Williams

Membership/Necrology: Connie Martin-Thompson,  
Clem Cantu, Robin Estepp

Nominations: Gracie Rocha, Clem Cantu, Connie  
Martin-Thompson

### Educational Excellence Committees

Music: Sandra Morales, Kathy Martinez-Prather,  
Jenny Turney

Personal & Professional Enrichment: Brenda Butler,  
Dr. Sue Thompson, Connie Martin Thompson

Programs/Services: Loretta Eiben, Dolores Cruz, Rece  
Barr

Scrapbook: Carol Plassmann, Delia Cruz-Hernandez

Social: Tonda Frady, Bonnie Flammang, Peggy Parker  
Yearbook: Nadyne Gartman, Debra Zupancic

### Education Services:

Newsletter/Communications: Nadyne Gartman, Debra  
Zupancic, Lydia Johns

Legislation: Karen Franco, Barbara Hollis, Clarissa  
Talbert

Scholarship: Cheryl Blake, Connie Martin-Thompson

Technology: Nadyne Gartman, Debra Zupancic

Global Awareness/World Fellowship: Janis Brown ,  
Alice Castillo, Laura Zunker

Ex- Officio Member except Nominations: Tanya  
Rhodes

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