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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.***

## March Meeting

**When:** March 15, 2021 7:00 PM

**Where:** Home

**How:** Virtual via WebEx (6:45 PM)

**Program:** Book Discussion –  
The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek  
by Kim Michele Richardson

**Inspiration:** Lois Mayes

### For the March meeting:

Laura will send an email with the WebEx link to the meeting. She will open the link at 6:45 and the meeting will start at 7:00.



**Be safe...  
Stay healthy!**





# *A Letter from Laura*

*by Laura Packard*

Dear Eta Tau Sisters,

I hope all of you got through the snow and ice and the aftermath relatively unscathed. I hope we don't come anywhere close to that experience again. If you do have damage and need some assistance, remember that you can get \$500 from the International Emergency Fund. There is a request form on the International website.

Since several of our members were without power on the night of our February meeting, we decided to postpone everything until our March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. We had hoped that we would be able to go to a play at the Palace Theater in March, but since that is not a viable option, we will have our book discussion and business meeting instead. This should give everyone time to finish the book or reread it.

The Austin Coordinating Council met on March 1<sup>st</sup> and made the painful decision that we would cancel our Founders Day plans. The survey showed that only a handful of people would have bought a ticket if we were able to have a luncheon, and very few were interested in a virtual event. We're going to get on Chez Zee's schedule for May of 2023.

*Laura*





## ***Roses to.....***

All of our Eta Tau members... for being flexible and dedicated and showing up in these trying times.

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## ***Membership News***

### **Where have you been??? What are you doing???**

Please send your news to [dwslathar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dwslathar@sbcglobal.net) . Eta Tau members love to hear about others' travel adventures, stories of grandchildren and family, professional news, and anything else you'd like to share.

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## ***March Birthday Greetings***



*15<sup>th</sup> Patti*

*18<sup>th</sup> Margaret*

*19<sup>th</sup> Emily*



# ***Are you making your plans to attend the 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual TSO Convention?***



## ***What you need to know.....***

- ❖ **June 17-19, 2021**
- ❖ **Denton Convention Center – 3100 Town Center Trail 76201**
- ❖ **Hotel – Embassy Suites 3100 Town Center Trail [Register Now](#)  
844.684.9427 (Only king size rooms are available)**
- ❖ **Unifying Project – *CASA of Denton County* - Collecting gift cards**
- ❖ **Visit the *Convention Website* (<https://dkgtexas2021convention.weebly.com/>)  
for all the updated information including *The Key* – a newsletter designed to  
provide information about Denton and the convention.**
- ❖ **Start making your plans **NOW!****

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## ***Austin Sunshine Camps Wishlist***

At our March meeting, we will discuss how we would like to support Austin Sunshine Camps' Quiet Room project. They have created a great wishlist on Amazon. So please take a few minutes to look over their wishlist here:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/genericItemsPage/PEB1REA9X3KK?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/genericItemsPage/PEB1REA9X3KK?ref_=wl_share)

If the link doesn't open by clicking it, highlight it, right click, and select "open hyperlink" from the dropdown menu.

We can decide if we will make a group donation or donate individually or both.



## ***Looking for new members...***

A candidate for membership must be employed as a professional educator at the time of her election or retired from an educational position. Members can be invited at any time during the year. Note: Eta Tau has voted to reduce dues for new members to half price for the first year. Please **submit names of prospective members to Debbie Koehler, Eta Tau Membership Chair.**

## ***Upcoming Events.....Mark your calendars!***

**March 15, 2021** – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting

**April 19, 2021** – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting

**June 16-18, 2021** – 92<sup>nd</sup> Texas State Convention – Denton, Texas

**July 21-24, 2021** – International Conference – San Antonio, Texas

### **Chapter Officers 2020-2022**

President: **Laura Packard**

Co-First Vice Presidents: **Emily Farnsworth/Marion Horowitz**

Second Vice President: **Debbie Koehler**

Secretary: **Lois Mayes**

Parliamentarian: **Mary Wallace**

Treasurer: **Cathy Harris**

Past President: **Patti Groce**

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Send your Eta Tau committee reports and membership news to Donna Slathar. The deadline for the April newsletter is April 5, 2021.    [dwslathar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dwslathar@sbcglobal.net)

