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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.

October Meeting

When: October 18, 2021 7:00 PM

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

Where: St. John's United Methodist Church
5904 Wynona (middle of the block across from church)
Austin, Texas

Program: Charcuterie Boards
Cathy Nguyen and May Le

Inspiration: Marion Horowitz

For the October meeting:

Don't forget to let Emily know if you are attending the meeting. You will need to bring a **KNIFE** and **CUTTING BOARD**.





A Letter from Laura

by Laura Packard

Dear Eta Tau Sisters,

At long last (20 months to be exact) Eta Tau Chapter will meet in person on Monday, October 18th. Have you let Emily know that you'll be there so that our program presenters will have your ingredients to create a fabulous charcuterie board? It should be a very fun and creative program, and it may inspire your Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner plans.

Don't forget that we're planning for our November meeting to be in-person also, which will mean that we can have our Silent Auction this year! This is always one of our favorite activities of the year. Food items always inspire lots of bidding, but we are open to anything that you want to bring to raise a little money to pay for our meeting space and cover our donations to various DKG causes.

Love you all,

Laura





Roses to.....

Marion Horowitz and Emily Farnsworth... conducting the September meeting in Laura's absence.

Donna Slathar...for the inspiration on lessons we can learn from our dog at the September meeting.



Membership News

Laura Packard's husband, Robert, passed away on September 22, 2021. A celebration of his life will be scheduled at a later date. Our deepest sympathy and prayers are extended to Laura and her family during this difficult time.

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

Please send your news to 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.

October Birthday Greetings

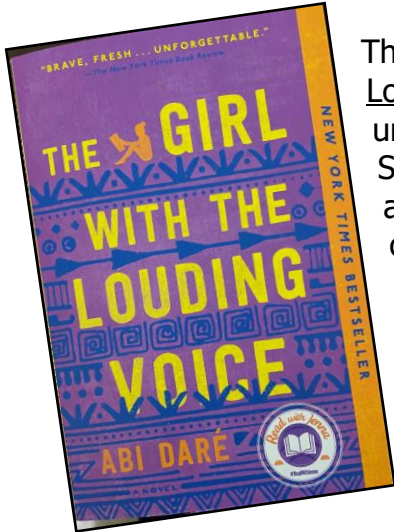


9th - Lola Carter

16th - Debbie Koehler

24th - Susan Harmon

Get **READY** to **READ!!**



The book for our discussion at the January meeting is The Girl with the Louding Voice by Abi Daré. This is Abi Daré's debut novel. It is an unforgettable story of a teenage girl growing up in a Nigerian village. She longs to get an education so that she can find her "louding voice" and speak up for herself. Adunni never gives up hope to escape her life of poverty. Her story is an inspiration for all of us to reach for our dreams.

Enjoy the **read** and be **ready** to discuss and share your thoughts and wonders at our January meeting.

Control and click if you would like to order the book from Amazon.

<https://amzn.to/3089eTP>



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month - an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease. You are very fortunate if you, a friend, or a family member has not been affected by breast cancer. Here are some ways you can help women in need this month:

- Make a one-time or monthly donation to support one of the programs that provides access to screening, treatment, or support.
- Educate yourself and others – not all breast changes indicate cancer.
- Volunteer to join virtually in *Helping Women Now*.
- Proudly wear a pink ribbon during October.

For more information : <https://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/breast-cancer-awareness-month>





Fall Stewardship Campaign

Together We Win

October 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

Fact #1: All TSO members are automatically ASTEF members.

Fact #2: ASTEF accepts contributions to the Scholarship, Leadership, and Project Funds. The IRS status of ASTEF is a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Public Charity. All contributions to ASTEF are a tax deduction.

Donations made for honorariums and memorials need a form and check mailed to TSO Headquarters and made payable to ASTEF.

Contribution Form...<https://bit.ly/3oL9gLy>

To donate on line...<https://www.astef.org/>



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!

October 18 – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting – St. John’s United Methodist Church
November 15 – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting – St. John’s United Methodist Church
January 17 – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting – Virtual
February 21 – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting - Virtual
March 13 – Performance at Palace Theatre in Georgetown
April 18 – Eta Tau Chapter Meeting – Location TBD
May 1, 2021 – Founders Day Luncheon – Chez Zee
June 14-18, 2022 – 93rd Texas State Convention – Lubbock, Texas
July 12-16, 2022 – International Convention – New Orleans, LA
June 14-17, 2023 – 94th Texas State Convention, McAllen, TX

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 November newsletter is November 1, 2021. dwslathar@sbcglobal.net

Draft

Delta Kappa Gamma International
Eta Tau Chapter
September 20, 2021

The meeting was held virtually on WebEx. There were 9 members present. A salad supper was eaten during the meeting.

Call to Order

Marion Horowitz called the meeting to order at 7:04.

Inspiration

Donna Slathar explained how much we can learn from dogs. She also shared "You are a teacher."

Member News

Donna Slathar and Lois Mayes visited with LaVonne Rogers on the phone. She is still having vision problems and has difficulty walking.

Donna said that Lola Carter's phone has been disconnected.

Minutes

The minutes of the April 19, 2021 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Cathy Harris reported a bank balance of \$3,143.41.

Committee Reports

Programs

Emily Farnsworth presented the programs for 2021-2022.

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| September 20 | Virtual Salad Supper |
| October 18 | Charcuterie Board St John's UMC |
| November 15 | Silent Auction St John's UMC |
| January 17 | Virtual book discussion <u>The Girl with the Louding Voice</u> by Abi Daré |
| February 21 | Virtual craft project with Greg Rohde |
| March 13 | Palace Theater, Georgetown, "9 to 5" |
| April 18 | Birthday celebration, Installation of Officers, Honor Founders |

The meeting dates were approved by the members present.

Membership

Debbie Koehler encouraged members to continue to make contact with prospective members. Several have talked with possible candidates.

Web Watcher

Donna Slathar shared information found on the Web.

International: There is a video promoting the International Convention , New Orleans, July 12-16, 2022.

There is a Go Ahead Tour from New Orleans to Memphis, July 17-21.

A new video will be released for each decade, "DKG Centennial Celebration."

The 1930 Era is now playing.

The store is now closed for renovation.

Bulletin Journal submissions are due October 1st.

State: *Lone Star News* is now only online.

The sale of the headquarters building was final September 1st. DKG will occupy it for 6 months after the sale. DKG will lease office space after that.

STAR 2022 registration is open, January, 14-16 at Camp Allen.

TSO Convention News: Photo Gallery is on display. Handouts from break-out sessions can be downloaded under Resources tab. Members donated \$6,150 for gift cards for CASA. Members collected \$4,821.35 for the Emergency Fund. Shalan Inmon is the new State President. Her theme is JOURNEY: Which way will you go?

Nominations

Patti Groce encouraged members to make suggestions for chapter officers for 2022-2024 or to volunteer to be placed in nomination.

Yearbook

Mary Wallace is working to complete the yearbook.

Program

The members shared about the salad each made.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:40

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Mayes