



# Movin' Mu Kappa

Mu Kappa (298), Area 15, El Paso, Texas

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Texas State Organization

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



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi ladies!

Our March Meeting continued with the *Women in the Arts Committee* theme to *celebrate the accomplishments of talented members in the arts*. Our very own Patsy Launspach guided us to create a bracelet almost like the ones she wears! I must admit, it was a bit overwhelming for me, but I challenged myself, as did some of you to complete the project. Patsy brought all her bead collections, prepared beading mats with a very skinny needle that allowed us to bend it this way and that. We worked on them to “get the hang” of what we were doing!!! Our gracious Patsy hosted 3 beading sessions at her house to help members finish. Thank you so much Patsy! See some of the finished products on our website!

Rebecca Roy, Nomination Committee Chair, presented the names for our new slate of officers for Mu Kappa 2024-2026. We had a quorum to hold elections and vote. The slate of officers was unanimously voted by acclamation. Yeah! Congratulation ladies, we are confident you will lead Mu Kappa to **SOAR to New Heights!**

In other business covered, a motion to use the monies in our budget to send outgoing chapter president and incoming chapter president to State Convention be used to encourage chapter members to attend the Regional Area Workshop in Odessa on June 22, 2024. Registration and hotel accommodations will be paid for those members with these funds. Hotel information (with maps) was shared so that members could make their reservations. The Registration Form will be completed at our next meeting so that Patsy can send in the form and check before the May 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

Our April meeting will find us celebrating our 35<sup>th</sup> Birthday! We will meet at Trattoria Bella Sera on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. (Please note the time!) **It's time for some celebrating!!! Mu Kappa style!!!** See you next Saturday!

Connie

## Mu Kappa Chapter Officers 2024 - 2026

- President – Kathy Newport
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President – Rebecca Roy
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Melissa Mathews
- Recording Secretary – Lynn Dickie
- Corresponding Secretary – Charlotte McMicken



**Our April Meeting**  
**“Mu Kappa’s 35th Birthday”**  
**Saturday, April 6, 2024**  
**\*\*\*12:00 p.m.**  
**Trattoria Bella Sera**  
**3512 N. Yarbrough**

[funimada.com](http://funimada.com)

- Inspiration** – Melissa Mathews
- Door Prizes** – Connie Hernandez
- Community Service Project:**  
**All I Need!** Members will granola bars or oatmeal to the UTEP Food Pantry.

*Mu Kappa Newsletter Editor:*  
*Connie Hernandez [cherman57@yahoo.com](mailto:cherman57@yahoo.com)*

	<b>Dues Reminder</b>	Date to Remember <u>May 31, 2024</u>	Form 123
Please Pay	<u>Mu Kappa Chapter</u>	Chapter, AMT	<u>\$88.00</u>
Your Dues to			
Treasurer	<u>Patsy Launspach</u>	<u>7913 Edgemere 79925</u>	
	(name)	(address)	
For	<u>professional/lover or a key woman educator</u>	<u>Awesome Mu Kappa Member</u>	
	(member name)	5/2013 CK P/W/I	

## Dues Are Due!

It is that time of year again! Mu Kappa dues of **\$88 are due no later than May 31.**

Please mail your check to:

Patsy Launspach 7913 Edgemere 79925

Make the check payable to: **Mu Kappa Chapter.**

\*\*\*All membership dues data must be entered into the treasurer’s online system by June 30. Chapter checks for member dues must be mailed to International and State by June 30.

**Directions to: Trattoria Bella Sera**  
3512 N. Yarbrough From the East:

**From the West & East via I-10:**

- Take I-10, Take exit 28B Yarbrough Exit
- Continue on north on Yarbrough
- Pass Montwood, Pebble Hills and Edgemere Dr.
- Continue on Yarbrough for about 3 blocks
- Restaurant will be on the right

**From the West & East via Montana:**

- Take Montana heading East
- Pass Hawkins Blvd., McRae and Wedgewood Dr.
- Turn right on Yarbrough
- Make a U-turn at Shannon Pl, turn right
- Restaurant will be on the right

**From the Northeast:**

- Take US-54 W, Take exit 24B for Spur 601 E
- Merge onto TX-601 Spur/Liberty Expy
- Take exit 25 for Global Reach Dr/Old Ironsides Dr
- Keep right at the fork, turn right onto Global Reach Dr
- Continue to Montana and N. Yarbrough Dr
- Pass by Pizza Hut (on the right)
- Make a U-turn at Shannon Pl, turn right
- Restaurant will be on the right



*Happy Birthday to You!*

Rebecca Roy April 30.

*Have a wonderful day!*

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*Just a quick reminder!* The Spring Edition of the LoneStar News is now available online. Website [https://www.dkgtxas.org/uploads/4/2/8/3/42835841/spring\\_2024\\_lone\\_star\\_news\\_corrected.pdf](https://www.dkgtxas.org/uploads/4/2/8/3/42835841/spring_2024_lone_star_news_corrected.pdf)

**Keep an Eye out for Women Educators!**

**NEW Prospective Members!**

Share with them all the FUN we have at our meetings and the Great things we do! Remember our Chapter Rules say that we can induct in the fall and spring!



creazilla.com

**Going Green Prize!!!**

How many Mu Kappa Sisters can you fit into your car? Be the ones with the most people in one car that come to the meeting and **win a Prize from the Green Bucket!!**

**Websites**

\*\*Mu Kappa website <https://mukappatexas.weebly.com/>

Texas website <https://www.dkgtxas.org/>

**TSO 2024 Regional Area Workshop**  
**“SOAR with ASTEF: Invest in Education”**  
**Areas 13, 14, 15**  
**Saturday, June 22, 2024**  
**8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
Westminster Presbyterian Church  
4901 Maple Street, Odessa Texas

*Join us! It's a Road Trip!!!*



*(Taken from Lone Star News Spring Edition 2024)*

**Southwest (Areas 13, 14, & 15)**

The Southwest Regional Area Workshop Steering Committee looks forward to welcoming all members of Areas 13, 14, and 15 to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4901 Maple, Odessa 79762, on June 22, 2024.

Your registration fee will cover a continental breakfast, a catered lunch, and break-out sessions providing information for every member.

We will honor 50+ members, announce

Achievement and Golden Rose winners, and award ASTEF Project Stipends. The Fairfield Inn is one block from the church and is offering \$99.00 rates for those of you traveling from a distance who would like to enjoy a DKG slumber party.

**SOUTHWEST R.A.W. HOTEL INFO** 

**SOUTHWEST RAW**  
SAT - 06/22/24 - 8AM-5PM  
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN  
4901 MAPLE AVE, ODESSA

**HOTELS:**

FAIRFIELD SUITES (\$99/NIGHT) (432) 363-1900	HAMPTON INN (COST UNKNOWN) (432) 363-2900
BOTH HOTELS ARE A BLOCK AWAY FROM THE MEETING SITE - WALKING DISTANCE	

**2024 International Convention**

July 9-13, 2024

National Harbor, Maryland

Gaylord National, D.C. Area

**Mark Your Calendars for our May meeting**

May 4, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Founders' Day Tribute & Installation of New Chapter Officers  
OLLI Institute at UTEP Miners Hall Suite 209



*Vision Statement*

*Leading Women Educators  
Impacting Education Worldwide*



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  
**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA**

# Happy 35<sup>th</sup> Birthday Mu Kappa!!!



*Mu Kappa Chapter  
of the  
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
was organized by  
Mrs. Carolyn Larrison  
and assisted by  
Miss Dorothy Stallings and Mrs. Ruth Hull  
on April 15, 1989.*



## **Charter Members**

Doris Angell\*\*  
Mitzi Bond\*\*  
Lona Kewley  
Donna Sharp\*  
Gay Stewart

Arleen Belaire\*\*  
Dee Cramer  
Alicia Loya\*  
Tycha Stading\*  
Helen Tornatta

Karen Blough Stott\*\*  
Carolyn Grantham  
Karen Morrow\*  
Elizabeth Stewart  
Betty Wilkinson

\* *Inactive Charter Members*  
\*\* *Deceased*



As we celebrate Mu Kappa's 35<sup>th</sup> Birthday,  
we honor our *Charter Members*,  
15 Key Women educators who had a vision to expand the  
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International in the El Paso  
area and gave birth to our chapter on  
April 15, 1989.



We remember our "special angels"  
who are no longer with us,  
but remain in our hearts.

To those members who are still with us,  
we thank you for your  
guidance and leadership  
as we continue to make  
Mu Kappa a strong vibrant chapter.





# Pretties with Patsy

Mu Kappa members were busy creating by beading their own bracelets. Patsy brought finished examples for members to see. Members chose two colors they wanted to use and began beading. Below are some of the finished products. Patsy brought "special door prizes" which were necklaces and earrings she had created.

