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# KAPPA THETA KEYNOTES

# LEADING WOMEN EDUCATORS IMPACTING EDUCATION WORLDWIDE



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#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Monday, Dec. 6, 2021

**Christmas Party** 

On the Border Restaurant Lewisville, TX

In Person: 6 p.m.

Virtual: 6:00 p.m.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings, Kappa Theta Sisters!

It's November and you know what that means...it's holiday season. Busy, Busy, Busy! Our November chapter meeting was amazing, and it was such an honor to have our TSO guests with us: Shalan Inmon (TSO President), Judy Evans (TSO Bylaws and Rules Chair), and Mandy Story (Area 16 Mentor and TSO Parliamentarian). There was a lot of information covered in the meeting, and my tip is to schedule a time to cover each one. Schedule a time to drop by Dowanne's house for your CCA donation or browse the CCA

Amazon Wish List. Schedule a time to go through your jewelry and your miscellaneous drawers of random things—items you buy but never use them or think, "I can use this in the future!". Then schedule a time to stop by Cheryl Crawford's or Cindy McLuckie's houses and place your contribution in the collection boxes. Let Carla Oliver know - right now or ASAP if you are attending the Christmas Party at On the Border on Dec. 6th at 6pm. Then schedule a time to send Judy Kemler your \$20 dinner fee. You don't have to schedule this but start thinking about what you might bring for our annual Chili Supper in January.

If you would like to order a name badge and ribbon for your membership pin, please email me at odomsa@lisd.net. I will add you to the list of ladies who are interested in purchasing one. Thank you to all the members who directed me to lota Omicron's name badge fundraiser being held by Mandy Story's chapter.

Lezli Collins, our Area XVI Coordinator, will be joining us for our Christmas Party in December. Did you also know she is also Denton lota's Chapter President, too? She let me know that lota is in the process of planning our Bi-Chapter meeting and dinner which will be held in February. More details to come soon about this fun event!

Please keep Patsy Roe and her family in your prayers and thoughts.

I hope you all have a great start to your holiday season! Gobble, gobble!

Alisha Gail Odoms



#### **NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order.** President Alisha Odoms called the chapter hybrid meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. Some members were attending in person, and some were attending via Zoom.

**Meditation.** Amy Bailey read a poem, "I am thankful for..." by Nancy J. Carmody. It is a reflection about all the little things in life that show our blessings.

Program. TSO President: Shalan Inmon

- Shalan was introduced by Alisha. Shalan shared her experience but also called us to look to each other to find out mentors. She shared the connections with our chapter and how many of our own members have been such great mentors, not only to our chapter, but across the state! We have leaders like Juanita Harmon, Cindy Neander and Cheryl Crawford. She then had us play a card game with letters. N- nurture yourself and members. S- serve ourselves and our members. E- educate ourselves and members as well as those outside of our organization. W- Wonder what if...
- Shalan charged us with the to look for one person to nominate into DKG and then mentor them for a year. Bring them to convention!
- Share a day in the life of from all our active teachers, and for those of us not in the classroom anymore, reach out to your sisters because we can help each other! (Even if it is a Route 44 Dr. Pepper...)
- · Alisha and Patricia Presented Shalan Inmon, Mandy Story, and Judy Evans with thank-you gifts.

**Birthdays.** November birthdays were honored: Martha Thetford, Sherry Thompson, Jan Collinsworth, Rosemary Odoms, Carolyn Harvey, Sheri Schmidt, and Cindy Neander.

#### **Business Meeting.**

Quorum. Alisha Odoms called for a quorum; quorum was met.

**May Meeting Minutes.** The minutes were approved as written in the October newsletter, with Cheryl Crawford moving, and Patricia Bode seconding the motion.

**Treasurer's Report.** Judy Kemler presented the Treasurer's Report as follows. Checking Account: \$3147.43; Regular Savings available for chapter scholarships: \$4638.61; Grant-in-Aid Fund: \$112.51; Marjory Vickery Inheritance Fund: \$2506.62; Total: \$10405.17.

**President's Report.** Alisha Odoms presented the need for prayer for Patsy Roe and the passing of her husband. Tomorrow, November 2nd is Election Day! Votedenton.gov will take you to the correct page to find where you vote. For members who want to order a name tag with ribbon for \$15, a sign-up sheet is in the back of the room. Sherry Thompson has published the yearbook and it has received the Early Bird Award! Road/Rose Buddies, reach out to your person!

#### Committee Reports.

**CCA & Pediplace:** Nancy King and Carla Oliver presented about items needed by the CCA for Christmas. Dowanne Jones will be accepting donations through Thursday the 2nd of December. Please call her at 972-539-7427 or 972-742-7113 if dropping off items. Her address is 4817 Lloyd Ct., Flower Mound, TX 75028. If writing a check, make it out to CCA and in the memo please write, "Christmas gifts for teens".

**Stilwell:** Cheryl Crawford is asking for new or gently used jewelry donations to Stilwell. She prefers jewelry that can be sold in their store, not big items. Items need to be dropped off by November 13th to either Cindy McLuckie at 217 Glenmere, Highland Village, TX 75077, or Cheryl Crawford at 1633 Crosshaven Lewisville, TX 75077. Also, please bring cards with general greetings like, "Thinking of you."

**Chili Supper.** Cindy Neander and Cindy McLuckie presented about how the Chili Supper will look different this year. There will be Chili, veggie trays, crackers and cheese, and desserts. Desserts need them to be grab and go items, like 2 cookies in a zip lock bag or a cupcake.

#### New Business.

#### **Upcoming Business.**

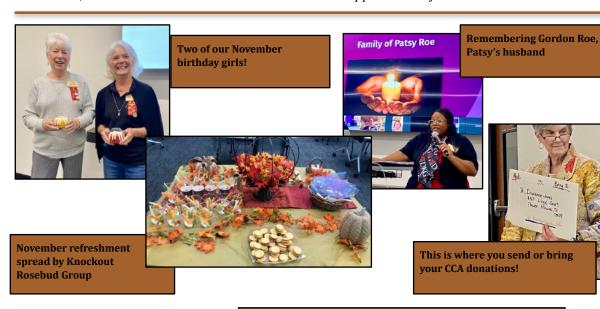
**Christmas committee:** Carla Oliver said that our Christmas party will be December 6th at 6pm at the On the Border Restaurant, located at 1890 S. Stemmons Freeway. The cost is \$20 and can be mailed to Judy Kemler by the 15th of November. Please email Carla if you are able to go. Olivercarla577@gmail.com

Thank-you. Alisha Odoms thanked the Knock Out Rosebuds for the refreshments.

#### **Announcements and Reminders.**

**Jubilee Moments.** Amy Bailey's son made the district and all region bands! Nancy King's grandson, Jonah, is in the Marcus Band and will get to go to state and then Indianapolis. Nancy King's granddaughter, Charlece, graduated on May 14, got married on May 8, and then was offered a job in Jessieville, AR. She is now teaching second grade! Cindy Neander thanked Alisha doing such a great job on the flowers. Rebecca's daughter passed her music jury! Patricia Dawson has been asked now 3 times to present her research around the nation and has been asked by the state to be a consultant for the dual language certification in Texas. She is looking for two language acquisition specialists. Alisha Odoms is excited because she is back in her room and kids are loving music again!

Adjournment. After the singing of The Delta Kappa Gamma Song, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.





Donna participated in a compass activity presented by Shalan Inmon.



# **NOVEMBER MEETING PHOTOS**





Alisha provided goodie bags and a passport for stamps for each meeting.

Zoom meeting attendees

TSO President, Shalan Inmon, spoke to members about DKG mentors and leaders.



not to forget their Rose/Road Buddy!



Alisha presented our guests with thank you gifts.



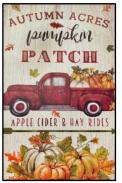
Jaunita, Shalan Inmon, Judy Evans, and Mandy



The two Cindys gave members information about the annual chili supper.







## **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!**

Martha Thetford	November 5
Sherry Thompson	November 7
Jan Collinsworth	November 9
<b>Rosemary Odoms</b>	November 12
Carolyn Harvey	November 21
Sherry Schmidt	November 25
Cindy Neander	November 27

# FROM THE CCA/PEDIPLACE COMMITTEE...

A big THANK YOU to those who donated to CCA at our November Kappa Theta meeting. You donated a total of \$268 for CCA's Christmas Giving Tree, and your donations will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for teens in our community. If you could not attend Monday's meeting and wish to give, please read the information below regarding requested donations for this project. I will be collecting donations from Kappa Theta members through Thursday, December 2.

Kappa Theta's CCA/PediPlace Committee is asking you to please donate generously to help CCA with their Giving Tree Christmas outreach program. Their greatest needs this year are money (checks are fine...make out to Christian Community Action with "Christmas Gifts for Teens" on the memo line), gift cards (Walmart, Target, Old Navy, Big Lots), or items from CCA's Amazon Wish List. Please, do not give gift cards for dollar stores. Please mail or bring donations to me at the following address by Thursday, Dec. 2 to Dowanne Jones at 4817 Lloyd Ct. in Flower Mound, TX 75028. If you plan to drop off a donation, please call before coming to be sure that I am home. My numbers are 972-539-7427 (home) or 972-742-7313 (cell). Here is the link to order from the Amazon Wish List. If you order from the Amazon Wish List, the link is <a href="https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/LFN37HV27R1Y?ref\_=wl\_fv\_le&pldnSite=1">https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/LFN37HV27R1Y?ref\_=wl\_fv\_le&pldnSite=1</a> You may bring the Amazon Wish List item to me to be delivered with the other Kappa Theta donations, or you may have it sent to CCA at 200 S. Mill Street in Lewisville, TX 75057. Thank you so much for your generosity!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS...**

- \*Thursday, November 11 Veterans Day
- \*Mon., Nov. 15 Deadline for reservations/\$20 check for Christmas Party to Judy: 821 8th St. in Argyle 76226
- \*Thursday, November 18 National Princess Day Rock your diva crown!
- \*Nov. 22 Nov. 26 LISD Thanksgiving Break
- \*Thursday, November 25 Thanksgiving
- \*Monday, Dec. 6 Christmas Party On the Border, Lewisville 6:00 p.m.

KT is again collecting gently-used jewelry and small re-giftables for our friends at Stilwell. In order to get them to Waco in time for early Christmas shopping, there will be collection boxes at Cheryl Crawford's house at 1633 Crosshaven (LV) and

FROM THE STILWELL COMMITTEE...

Cindy McLuckie's at 217 Glenmere (HV) for two weeks. When you leave your donation, please text Cheryl at (972) 743-0073 or Cindy at (469) 233-1128. Thank you in advance for your participation in this chapter project!

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