



Alpha Chi Connection

Alpha Chi Chapter, Texas State Organization
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Mission Statement: 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

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SPECIAL EDITION

ALPHA CHI CELEBRATES ITS 90TH BIRTHDAY



Our 90th birthday celebration will be held at Le Sturgeon restaurant in Cottonwood Shores. **Dress up in your finest Clothes and a matching hat, if available**, as we spend the evening in genuine fellowship with our Alpha Chi sisters.

Bonnie Moore, our TSO President, and Genia Klein, our Area 7 Coordinator will be celebrating with us.

March Birthdays

Mary Gurno – Mar. 9

Denae Bates – Mar. 13

Joyce Craven – Mar. 14

Lois Laxson – Mar. 14

La Dawn Baker – Mar. 24

Your 2024-2026 Alpha Chi Officers:

- ❖ President – Dr. Alice Smith
- ❖ 1st Vice-President – Kim Timmons
- ❖ 2nd Vice-President – Jennifer Berry
- ❖ Corresponding Secretary – Cathy Frioux
- ❖ Co-Recording Secretaries – Linda Bundy & Susan Brown
- ❖ Parliamentarian – Bernice Rowland
- ❖ Treasurer – Lynda Jackson



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

- ❖ Bunny Doubrava
- ❖ Renee Fowler
- ❖ Sidonie Thornton
- ❖ Bonnie Wilson
- ❖ Meredith Young



WELCOME BACK – Sarah Scott

WELCOME TRANSFER MEMBER – Ashlee Nouri

GRANT RECIPIENTS:

- ❖ Burnet - Deanna Solis- Patsy Legacy Grant- \$1000, Emily Mendoza - Velma Elliot Memorial Scholarship - \$500
- ❖ Llano – Ashlee L. Nouri - \$1000
- ❖ Marble Falls - The Patsy Legacy Grant recipients are Heather Cotter and Jennifer Rose. They each received \$500.

CHAPTER RULE CHANGES: The following changes were voted on at our February local meetings.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section C. New Members

2. Recommendations - Recommendations for new members shall be submitted to the Membership Committee before the February meeting. (Chapter was deleted)
4. Selection of New Members
 - a. Selection for new members shall be at the February meeting. (Deleted chapter)

ARTICLE IX - CHAPTER MEETINGS

Section A. Meetings

2. Meetings will be held during September, October, November, February, and April. Meetings dates and times will be established by the executive board and published in the yearbook. Additional meetings/excursions may be scheduled as needed. (Eliminated January and added September)

ARTICLE XI - SPECIAL CHAPTER POLICIES

3. The registration fee, President's Banquet and Birthday Luncheon for the president, president-elect, and 1st vice-president, or chapter designees may be paid to the state convention. Additional expenses covered will be one hotel room with 2 beds and gasoline. Any other necessary expenses will be considered at the direction of the chapter. (Deleted "in even number years, and for the President and 1st Vice-President, or chapter designees, in odd number years")

REGIONAL AREA WORKSHOP – The Regional Area Workshop is Saturday, June 22nd at McNeil High School in Round Rock. This workshop is taking the place of our state convention. **Please let Dr. Alice know if you will be attending.** It is an all day workshop.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE APRIL MEETING – **The April meeting has been moved to April 15th the Marble Falls Church of Christ.**

Honoring Alpha Chi's Founders - Information prepared by Darlene Hargett and Ed and Nancy Newton.

Marion Smith Steves of Comfort, Texas was married to Henry Steves. She obtained a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas. She had quite an interesting life with much traveling. She and Mr. Steves divorced, and she moved to California where she married Venton Sisk in 1947. Marion passed away June 21, 1994, in Pagosa Springs, Colorado.

Jessie Dell McCrocklin Theis was born June 8, 1888. She was married twice, once to Adolph Phillip Theis who passed away in 1923. She then married August J. Theis who passed away in 1946. Jessie passed away July 16, 1984, at the age of 96 and was buried in Boerne.

Zuma Annie McNatt Weir was born December 16, 1882 in Blanco County. She was married to Luther Armon Weir, and they had one child, Landis Larry. Zuma taught at the Spicewood School (1926) and Hickory Creek School (1942-43) which later became Smithwick School and then consolidated with Marble Falls in 1945. Zuma passed away on June 23, 1964 at the age of 81 and was buried in Johnson City.

The twelve Founders represent our past. Let us strive to continue moving forward ever in the spirit of sisterhood of our Alpha Chi Founders.

ALPHA CHI FOUNDERS - Initiated March 10, 1934

Mrs. Leona Ward Ulbricht, Mrs. Lorena Draper Hughes, Mrs. Marian Smith Steves, Mrs. Sallie Churchill, Mrs. Christine H. Grace, Mrs. Jessie Theis, Mrs. Georgia Carver, Mrs. A.L. Nanney, Mrs. Velma Elliott, Mrs. L.A. Wier, Mrs. Jerry Blasienz, Mrs. Gail B. Kolberg

