

# Theta Lambda News

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Winter greetings, Theta Lambda,

February is here in all of its wintery glory we have come to expect at this time of the year in Texas. January set the stage for the cold, wind, rain and unexpected storms, here and there. Lest, we triumph and revel in the fact that it could be a **whole lot worse**. Considering temperatures in the Midwest during January and February generally have lows around -9°C. I think we are all not envious of that kind of cold weather.

As I sit here contemplating things like student retention, STEM education, charting courses for success, diversity in the Engineering field and yes, even funding opportunities, I cannot help thinking of the wonderful wealth of knowledge that we have through each other. Thank you all for being a part of the *small but mighty* Theta Lambda sisterhood.

Thank you Linsey Bovè for organizing the January social at Sandy McGee's on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. I hope that everyone had a wonderful time. I can't wait to hear all about the social at the chapter meeting.

Our February chapter meeting will be held on **Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>** at the lovely home of Sister Jane Meyer. I am looking forward to seeing everyone again. We have a full agenda and after the program we will discuss the "Got Sneakers" fundraiser, plan for a group Attack Poverty visit, and prepare for our annual auction. The ongoing initiatives are Change for Africa, and library books for Attack Poverty.

Area 18 is looking for representation on all **state committees**. Consider applying for state personnel or volunteering for a committee chair or committee. Are you interested in

**The latest edition of the Lone Star News is now online!**

### Come join us for Theta Lambda's February meeting!

Home: Sister Jane Meyer 5:30-7:30  
ZOOM: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6675747347>  
Hostesses: Jan Randolph, Miriam Watson  
When: Monday, February 13  
Inspiration: Sally Kubiak  
Music: Cheri Flick

**Program ~ "Safety in Today's Schools"**

**Presented by Julia Andrews, Director of Safe and Secure Schools Division, Harris County**

learning how to create newsletters, make Google forms, or design rockin' presentations? Registration is open for the **TSO Technology Conference** which will be held on **March 31<sup>st</sup> - April 1<sup>st</sup> in Cleburne, Texas**. The TSO Virtual Meeting will be taking place on **February 7, 2023**, do not forget to register. Get Ready! **The 94<sup>th</sup> TSO Conference will be held in McAllen, Texas** this year on **June 14 - 17, 2023**. Also, it's time to apply for grants and scholarships! There is lots going on with plenty of opportunities for you to get involved and even more connected with DKG. Teresa Toliver, the Area 18 Coordinator will be joining us at this month's chapter meeting. If you have questions about any of the events, conferences or joining one of the state committees, please reach out.

Wishing you all a Happy Valentine's Day! Alisha Procter, President, Theta Lambda



*For Each Meeting*

Linsey Bové's Personal Meeting Room

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6675747347>

Meeting ID: 667 574 7347.

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*NOTE: December Minutes will be distributed at the February Meeting!*

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**January and February Birthdays**

**JANUARY**

**Robin DeLaRosa – 4th**

**Catherine Hague – 5th**

**Michele Croft – 19th**

**Nancy Dobbs - 30th**

**FEBRUARY**

**Laura Downes – 3rd**

**Stacy Frenchwood – 15th**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



## Service Projects

### Attack Poverty ~ How Can You Contribute?

In December, Theta Lambda provided a generous donation of books for the North Richmond library. The staff was elated and so appreciative for the addition to their library. At our February meeting, we want members to share their service involvement. Are you currently volunteering or do you have plans to volunteer? Would you be willing to do a “one-time” event, such as storytelling, craft projects, or a literacy lesson? Would you be willing to serve on a committee to **plan** programs for both students and staff? Would you be willing to **facilitate** a program or **chair** a committee?

How can we serve? How can we make a difference? How can YOU serve? How can YOU make a difference?



## FUNDRAISERS

### Got Sneakers? We Are STILL Collecting!

We are continuing with the “gotsneakers?” fundraiser. Be sure to check with family and friends for athletic shoes they may wish to donate. Please remember we are only collecting athletic footwear. Here is the link if you would like more information: <https://gotsneakers.com/compensation-and-footwear-guidelines/>. Let’s do our part and help sneakers to be recycled, re-used, and out of landfills.





# ***MARCH MADDNESS????? NO, MARCH GLADNESS!!!!***

***What can I bring? What can I make?***

***It's SILENT AUCTION time!***

***What can I bake?***

***Perhaps I'll purchase a trinket , or two.***

***Easter, Spring, Summer, just a few ideas and themes to think about .***

***So, I'm giving a shout!***

***Let's make our Silent Auction a huge success!***

***Our March fundraiser can be the BEST!***





# TREASURER'S REPORT

## February ~ 2023

<b>Checking Balance Reported in</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>\$1,084.72</b>
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<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		<b>\$1,301.13</b>
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Nov. - Dec. Dividends	\$0.13
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Dec. Raffle	\$12.00
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Got Sneakers Fund Raiser	\$23.00
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Double Good Popcorn Sales	\$1,266.00
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<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
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<b>Current Checking Account Balance</b>	<b>\$2,385.85</b>
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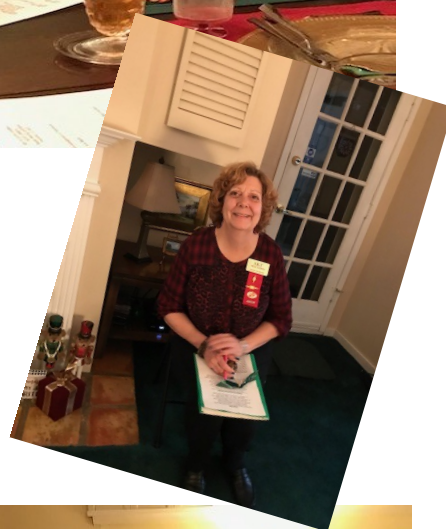
<b>Current Savings Account Balance</b>	<b>\$561.50</b>
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<b>Current CD Balance</b>	<b>\$1,647.64</b>
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<b>Total Assets of Chapter</b>	<b>\$4,594.99</b>
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# DECEMBER GATHERING



**Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide**



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## Book Recommendations

*\*New recommendations will be added to the beginning of the list each month.*

*Lessons in Chemistry*

*The Paris Library*

*The Summer Before the War*

*A Gentleman in Moscow*

*Rules of Civility*

*The Maid*

*A Man Called Ove*

*The Bodyguard*

*Jayber Crow*

*The Book of Lost Names*

*Free Lunch*

*The Train to Crystal City*

*Sensible Shoes*

*The Dressmakers of Auschwitz*

*The Children's Train*

*Think Again*

*How to Tell A Story:*

*The Essential Guide to Memorable Storytelling from the Moth*

Bonnie Garmus

Janet Skeslien Charles

Helen Simonson

Amor Towles

Amor Towles

Nita Prose

Fredrik Backman

Katherine Center

Wendell Barry

Kristen Harmel

Rex Ogle

Jan Jarboe Russell

Sharon Garlough Brow

Lucy Adlington

Viola Ardone

Adam Grant

Meg Bowles, et al





**2022 -2023 Theta Lambda Meeting Dates**

**February 13, 2023**                      ***Home of Sister Jane Meyer***

**March 20, 2023**                      ***Home of Robin DeLaRosa***

**April 17, 2023**                      ***Restaurant TBD***

**May 15, 2023**                      ***Home of Carol TenBrook***

**July Social – Date TBD**

**September 18, 2023**              ***Home of Jayati Sengupta***

**October 16, 2023**                  ***Home of Nancy Dobbs***