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A Note from the Editor

WOW!! It is still June and some of our Sisters have been very busy with vacations! Enough to make many of us jealous! Of course, it is really too hot to do too many things - especially if you are outside!

The May and June Treasurer's Reports were sent by Mona Bonds.

Enjoy living vicariously through our Sisters!

Have a blessed and safe summer!
Brenda J. Clem, Gamma Nus
Editor



Red Roses to:

- the Sisters who sent stories and pictures of their vacations!
- the Sisters who made contributions to the Go Fund Me account. She passed away in early June and her husband is in need to financial assistance. He has many medical bills from her illness and passing!

Happy Birthday to You!



June

- 8 Brenda Hastings-Gongora
- 10 D'Ann Haberman
- 24 Christine Beck
- 30 Karen Stephens

July

- 2 Wynona Montgomery
- 4 Independence Day -
Happy Birthday, USA
- 7 Lori Janick
- 15 Karen Thomas
- 19 Kristal Ramos
- 30 Lea Ann Gardner



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Grace Notes and High Notes

❖ Grace Notes

- Prayers for **Pam Ansley's** son who has been experiencing some health problems. May they provide a speedy and complete recovery.
- Prayers for **Chris Steed** as he begins his journey without our Sister, Wanetta Steed.

❖ High Notes

- **Christine Beck** as she awaits the arrival of her first grandson!
- **Brenda J. Clem** is rejoicing with the success of her left shoulder replacement! Prayers, patience, and love have been instrumental in her recovery!

Summer Happenings!

Jody Holzaepfel and her mom went on a cruise to Cozumel!! They were celebrating Jody earning her Master's Degree in School Library and Information Science! Congratulations Jody!!!



More Summer Happenings!

Christine Beck - Her summer has been very eventful! She has a new job as the Director of Health Services in Judson ISD where her husband, Don, is the new Superintendent! They sold their home of 13 years in Baytown and moved to San Antonio. They are living in an apartment while building a new home in Marion, Texas - about 15 miles from New Braunfels. She attended both of her sons' graduations - Andrew USNA c/o '22 and Chandler RSS c/o '22 on the same day in May in two different states!!! She has been to Hawaii where she went skydiving off the coast of Oahu! She is working at a summer camp in East Texas for the 12th year with her youngest daughter Eryn who will be a Freshman this year. In July she will take her high school senior on his senior trip to Oregon. She recently found out her oldest daughter, Bailey, and her husband will be having a baby boy in December and make Christine a Grandma! Her oldest son, Andrew, surprised his girlfriend, Amelia, with a marriage proposal on a hiking trip in the Swiss Alps! And she said, "YES!" so Christine is gaining a daughter!



I don't know about you, but I am exhausted from just writing her story! But congratulations are in order for exciting and memorable activities!!

Keep going - there is more!

Now for a Glimpse at the TSO 93rd Convention!



Kathryn Wright, Epsilon Psi, and Pam Ansley, Gamma Nu at the Texas State Organization 93rd State Convention. They enjoyed the Presidents' and Founders' Banquet, in Lubbock, Texas.

"Let the Wind Guide Your Journey" was the theme of the 93rd TSO Convention. TSO President Sharon Inmon picked the perfect theme. The wind was certainly blowing in Lubbock June 15-18, 2022!

President Inmon opened the convention on Thursday night, in the Lubbock Civic Center Theater. Over 650 members and guests were welcomed to Lubbock. The keynote speaker was Bear Mills: nationally recognized teacher, consultant, podcaster, and author. Recognitions and Awards followed. Gamma Nu was recognized for Five Star Newsletters, Eula Lee Carter Fund, Tutor Rose Award, Exemplary and Early Bird Chapter Yearbook, and DKG Compliant Website.

The Civic Center was the location for an exciting 4 days. Texas members attended Leadership Seminar Reunions, Leadership Development for Chapter Presidents, CPE Breakout Sessions, Committee Training Sessions, the ASTEF Online Auction, and Business Meetings (TSO and ASTEF). They also made new friends at the Birthday Luncheon and Founders'/Presidents' Banquet and reconnected with sisters from all parts of Texas. And, of course, the convention was adjourned with the singing of The Delta Kappa Gamma Song.

It is not too early to start planning for a road-trip. Mark your calendar for June 14-17, 2023. You are ALL invited to McAllen, Texas for the 94th TSO Convention.



Brenda & Ricky Clem celebrated their 26th Wedding Anniversary on June 29th with a trip to Galveston and their favorite restaurant - Benno's! They have been known to eat at Benno's for lunch and dinner on the same day!



This is my sad face!

*I had hoped to have more pictures and stories of the travels of our Sisters.
I will publish another Gamma Nus if you will send me your stories and pictures!*

Help turn my sad face into a glad face!



Summer Happenings!

Karen Stephens - Mark and I will be starting vacation by riding the Durango-Silverton train in July. We rode this with our three kids when they were little. We are now excited to take two of them back with their spouses and the 6 grandkids. Then we will go hiking in the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone. The 6 cousins are so excited to be vacationing with each other. Pictures to follow after the trip.

Carolyn James - We had our first great grandchild born May 16. Alister James Newman weighed 9.4 pounds and was 21 inches tall. Mom, dad and baby are doing well. They live in Conway, Arkansas.

Sherry Smith - I want my sisters know I have a new position next year as Assistant Principal at Lee HS!! I am so excited to start a new chapter in my life!



Melissa Lindsey - Lance and I are taking an RV trip for our 30th anniversary. We will check off a few more of the 50 states and spend a little extra time in LOVELAND, Colorado! Our anniversary is August 9th, which is after school starts, so we are going in July.

Pat Thomas - Hey— wish I had some summer plans to send to you! All we have planned are Gary's visits to MDA every 28 days for his clinical trial appointments. Plus, a little "grand dogs-sitting" for you-know-who!



Brenda J. Clem - Ricky and I will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary on June 29. We are having a Vow Renewal Mass with members of our original wedding party. Afterwards we are sharing dinner. To make this celebration last a little longer, we are spending four (4) days in Las Vegas sightseeing. We are going to the Ethel M Chocolate Factory for a chocolate tasting, an evening at Cirque de Soleil, Ricky will Fly Line down Freemont Street and of course the North and South Outlet malls. We will definitely have breakfast at The Blueberry Hill Café and dinner at The Pepper Mill Restaurant! As you can tell, gambling is not our thing, but we definitely love exploring. And we may have to take a return visit to Rick's Restoration and the Container Park where all the stores are made from shipping containers!