

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

ZETA DATA MISSISSIPPI

*Our Mississippi Delegation
The 2018 International DKG Convention*



Our State was well represented with 50 Zeta State Members in attendance at the 2018 International Convention in Austin, Texas.....Headquarters of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International!

It was a great experience..... from being welcomed by the great Texas delegation at Registration, touring our Headquarters Building filled with our history and with the present workings of our Society, our voting on MANY proposed amendments.... to saying our “goodbyes” to those special friends.

Our 50 experiences were as varied as they can be, but we were all proud to be there and to participate in this historic experience! Many of our members contributed at the convention;- using their special talents.....Marlynn Martin, Pi, and Kim Gregory, Beta Beta, played beautiful piano preludes for General Sessions, Nancy Jay, Alpha Theta and Angie Quinn, Alpha Psi, presented Breakout Sessions and our own Stephanie Jones, Alpha Lambda, was named at the Southeast Regional Breakfast as our Mississippi Star. Attending this Convention makes you a “Cheerleader” for our next Southeast Regional Conference in Ashville, NC on June 27 -29, 2019, and for the 2020 International Convention! Let’s do some cheering!



Thanks for the Memories! Our first year!

Zeta State President
Linda Hollingsworth

Where does the time go! As apprehensive as I was to become your State President, I have been so blessed by meeting our members from across the state and what they are doing within their chapters.

One never feels like she is ready to do a special job, but a little Hummingbird told me about the “Can Do” Spirit within all of us and with that inside.....you can do anything!

I can never thank all of you for the support you have shown me during my first year of this biennium.....cards and emails of support began almost immediately after I was installed, gifts with notes of support came to my door and phone calls.... just to say, “Whatever you need”! It has been amazing, and I have been touched to tears..... all of you know how easily those flow with me!

In early May 2017, I began asking members to serve in leadership positions and on committees at the state level.... what a wonderful experience.....not one person said, “No”!

Giving the Leadership Challenge speech at the 2017 Leadership Management Seminar, visiting 15 Chapters over this past year, participating in a wonderful Coastal Chapters Joint meeting, the experience of conducting the 2018 ZS Executive Board meeting, participating in the 2018 Chapter Leader’s Retreat, experiencing the 2018 DKG International Convention as a State President.....are just a few invigorating and amazing times that fill my heart with joy for our future!

And our second year continues our Hummingbird Journey.....thankfully we do not have to fly thousands of miles to fulfill it.... let us work hard at staying in touch with each other always offering support as needed in all situations, continuing our member recruiting with diversity, fulfilling our deadlines for when things are due, working toward our Honor Chapter, pushing our members to attend the 2019 Mississippi Zeta State Convention April 5-6 and the Pre-convention Seminar on the morning of April 5th.....as we do all of these things.....let us remember....

.....To always lead with our heart, put others before ourselves, draw our members in to the closeness of a caring chapter and push them to always see the good in our world and to step outside and take a chance on things we may not know “everything” about! Hummingbirds take chances on the unknown and find blessings and the sweetness of life there!

Now.... let’s keep “humming” along



“Can Do” Spirit is Ageless!

Linda Hollingsworth

As State President, you get calls, emails and letters from individuals about numerous things. Some can be answered relatively easily while others may take some pondering and some, may even need detective work!

Well, that is just what happened last fall. I received a letter from a dear lady named Mrs. Irene Cook! She introduced herself and proceeded to tell me her plight! As I read, my heart just broke for this sweet lady and her plight became clear! In 1973, she was initiated into Chi Chapter in Vicksburg, which is now dissolved. She told me that she was proud to be part of DKG and was writing a history of her life. She wanted to include her part in Delta Kappa Gamma but, there was a problem.....

.....her home had burned. She had lost all of her DKG papers, certificate and her most prized thing.... her key pin! As her letter progressed, she asked that if I could possibly help her recover or find a way for her to recoup these prized possessions of hers! Was this impossible? Not for a Hummingbird! Being the Hummingbird that I am, “Can Do” Spirit and all, I contacted International with her information and it wasn’t long until I found out her initiation date and the



International President during that time. I could even get a Society Initiation certificate with that biennium president's signature on it! Woohoo! I was on a Roll!

With the help of Carol Rigby (a former member of Chi Chapter), I was able to find out the Chi chapter president during the 1973 biennium!

Now, Mrs. Irene's address was in the area of Omega Chapter, so I called Mary Berry to help me! She has known this sweet lady for a long time and it was delighted to tell Mrs. Irene that the task that she had given us to do was accomplished! What a great feeling!

Well, the rest is history! On September 15th, Omega Chapter invited Mrs. Cook to their chapter meeting to make the presentation of her new certificate and key pin. I was honored to be able to pin it on her and give her a hug. Would you like to hear the rest of the story? It was her 89th birthday! She wrote a check and was reinstated into DKG....at 89! Now, that is what I call "Can Do" Spirit! Way to go Mrs. Irene!

*Stephanie Jones, Alpha Lambda.....
2018 Mississippi Star of the Southeast!*

Linda Hollingsworth

This tribute to Stephanie was read at the SER Breakfast at the International Convention naming her our Mississippi Star. The criteria for this honor are... this person cannot have served as the state president, she serves and does many things behind the scenes while ready and willing to serve in any way she can...many times volunteering as she sees needs arise! It was my honor to award Stephanie this honor as she is most deserving!



Congratulations!

Today is Your Day!

You've done some great things...
all along the way!

Not a Slacker, for sure, with those brains in your head....

In your Chapter, you really have led!

Serving *Bylaws, Research & EEC,*
*Chapter Rules, Membership & Finance....*you see!

In chapters, things happen..... they frequently do....to
people as brainy and selfless as you!

They said, be *Yearbook Editor, Secretary, First VP* and *more,*
Chapter President was next, so you served there for four!

Wherever you Fly, you'll be the best...

with quiet confidence you lead, no matter the quest

You *present programs, workshops, facilitate,* too

A Servant's heart, so dependable..... oh yes, that is you!
Leadership Seminars, Membership, Leaders' Retreats....

We can count on you whenever ZS meets!

On to *Conventions* and *Districts,* you go....

A *ZS Woman of Distinction,* you know!

Oh, the things you have done and the places you'll go....

No waiting around..... There's too much to know!

Sometimes it's been hard.... you have never complained!

You kept on your adventure... lots to be gained!

So, off to those *Regionals* and *Internationals*, Wow!
 You've missed hardly a one, you're determined and how!
 You are loved in Zeta State.....Oh my, yes you are!
 Your genuine kindness makes you a Star!
 Now, I mean what I say, and I say what I mean.....
 You do succeed, Oh my! Yes, indeed!
 98 ¾ % guaranteed!
 Today... you're 100% our Mississippi Star!
 Zeta State Recording Secretary
Stephanie Jones

2018 International DKG Convention

A personal experience....

Brenda Batey, Alpha Upsilon

Insightful, Inspiring, Interesting: adjectives which accurately relate my experience in Austin, TX, July 16-20, for The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International's International Convention! Yes, I cut it close, considering that I booked my flight July 15th due to the unreliability of my "gimpy knee," but I chose wisely. I was proudly among 50 Zeta State attendees and 2,000 Conventioneers from the USA and abroad! I have been to mega-conferences before; however, that many women educators in one space for one purpose is quite the unique venue, as anyone should say, educator or not. The Texas Delegation added a surprising personal touch: individual handwritten notes to the 2000 DKG attendees! Mine included name, chapter and her Texas home address, as well.

Any topic related to learning--from early childhood to adult education, from pragmatics to aesthetics, A to Z, on the classroom level to the world stage and beyond--you could find it! The CONVENTION PROGRAM consisted of a bound booklet with 128 pages! Among the many sessions, we are proud of two MS Presenters: Angie Quinn and Nancy Jay. Angie Quinn, participated in the Break-out Session, "Get to Know Your Personality Type and Unlock Your Superpowers." She was among five presenters from five different states in her group. Our second Zeta State presenter was Nancy Jay, whose session title was: "Be Awesome on Paper," (hints to aid one in projecting a winning image to achieve one's goal and "get what you want," whether seeking a job or influencing students.) Nancy's co-presenters included four ladies from four different states and one from Iceland. How proud we are of Nancy Jay & Angie Quinn!

We were entertained by Benjamin Zander, renowned speaker and conductor of the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra and the Boston Philharmonic Youth Orchestra. Maestro Zander shared his philosophy of motivation and success.

We were inspired and moved by Nadia Lopez, founder and principal of Mott Hall Bridges Academy in Brownsville, Brooklyn, New York City. She was my favorite speaker as she took us through her childhood challenges and the obstacles she faced growing up in one of New York's impoverished and crime-ridden neighborhoods. She chronicled the greater struggle of maintaining a school in this situation, of opening, funding, and maintaining an elementary school in that same locale. Her students consistently score above average on mandated testing.

And, we voted, and voted, and voted some more! The Executive Board, being forward-thinking, furnished each of us 2000 voters with electronic devices which instantly displayed the voting results for members to see "on the big screen" in the Convention Hall. Could you ever guess our first vote?...changing/modifying/clarifying our NAME, The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International! That discussion dragged on for days but made no progress!

Oh, attractions in Austin...the BATS, 1.5 million Mexican free-tailed bats (the largest urban bat colony in the world) emerge from the Congress Avenue Bridge from March-November at dusk each day in pleasant weather. Probably the most anticipated attraction was our DKG Headquarters, which we were able to tour through-out the week. No Zeta State attendee will forget the lovely dinner which Linda Hollingsworth, our ZS President, arranged. Nor will anyone forget Linda's singing of the Blessing at the Impacting Education Worldwide Luncheon on Tuesday. She made us proud to be part of Zeta State and its tradition of strong women educators since 1934. Suffice it to say, it was worth the effort and expense! Our Delta Kappa Gamma gatherings are worthwhile, some more than others; however, an International Convention is a unique experience whose memories I will cherish forever.



2018 DKG Convention! Voting!

Linda Hollingsworth

It was wonderful to participate in the 2018 DKG Convention with 50 Mississippi members! Wow! What a great group to see “history in the making” and be part of this outstanding convention. It was the first time that we used electronic voting devices so that the results could be seen immediately!

By way of clarifying some information.....please remember that Chapters have *Chapter Rules*, our State has *Bylaws and Standing Rules* and the International is our *Constitution and International Standing Rules*.

Here is information on number adopted and note adopted:

- Ninety (96) amendments were adopted
- Eighteen (18) were not adopted.

Not adopted were: C-1; C-7; C-11; C-41; C-48; Group III bundle 1; ISR 23 and 24; Group IV bundle 2.

- Refer to the booklet sent by International for specific information on all amendments and ISR adopted and not adopted - C (Constitution) ISR (International

Standing Rules)

- Eight (8) Constitution proposed amendments were deleted by their proposers
- Eight (8) ISR were deleted by their proposers

Briefly.....here are a few of those adoptions.....more information will follow:

- Our Name change was **not** adopted and remains the same
- State names will be Geographical
- Communications & Publicity Committee changed to Communications & Marketing Committee
- Eliminates International portion of initiation fee & distributes to chapters
- Undergraduate & graduate education degree students may be invited to join DKG (Collegiate Membership) (more information on this later)
- Membership remains by invitation
- “Initiation” was changed to “Induction” to sound more professional
- The Golden Gift Committee remains its own committee
- International Committees will continue to have representatives from all regions instead of by proportionate representation
- Voting for International officers will remain as it is
- The DKG Constitution can now be amended every two years (instead of 4
- Member dues and the fiscal year will be aligned with time to inform and educate treasurers

Please go to our Zeta State website www.zetastatedkg.org to read all of the new 2018 Amendments and International Standing Rules to our International Constitution. If we, at the state level, can assist you in any way with these amendments, please let us know.

Our Zeta State Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee will be aligning our State Bylaws and Standing Rules with the changes in the amendments we adopted. Voting on these will take place at the 2019 Mississippi State Convention, April 5-6! Please be there!





Zeta State Members Dining Together at Convention!

Zeta State Members dined together at the Osteria Pronto Italian Restaurant at the Marriot in Austin for a special time of fellowship! We were 50 strong and dined in family-style Italian in a private dining room! It was just a great time being together and the food was delicious!

Because of the hectic schedule that everyone has at conventions and conferences, it is always wonderful when we can come together as one harmonious group..... relax and fellowship! (More pictures at our website!)

Some Personal Comments about attending the 2018 DKG International Convention.....

Stephanie Jones, Alpha Lambda.....

It was a wonderful experience! It was a special week filled with fellowship with both Zeta State members and new friends from around the world. By the time the week was over, and we had heard all of the proposed amendments we all knew more about parliamentary procedure and our Society. Both of the keynote speakers were amazing!

Chris Wall, Pi

Exciting and interesting convention! It was a great time to renew and strengthen friendships with my DKG sisters.

Betty Oswald, Alpha Lambda.....

As a 57-year DKG member, our recent International Convention in Austin, TX was the most unusual one for me. I remember earlier years when International DKG Conventions meant members attending were mainly from the U.S., Canada & Mexico (mainly near US borders). Learning about these neighbor countries was easy. Now, in 2018, our DKG membership includes educational members in 17 countries.

What was "so inspiring" to me was, on opening night, when each of the 17 countries flag & flag bearers (many dressed to represent her country) were introduced to the 2000 DKG attendees. It was a beautiful sight.... but how much do we know or should know about each of these countries?

That's the 'big' question! My answer begins with each USA-DKG State devising a plan for each of their chapters to find out about education & teaching in a DKG country chosen.

Reba Greer, Beta Beta.....

Highlights include:

National Register Status of Headquarters

Evidence of Annie Webb Blanton's elegance, grit, and commitment to women educators

Signage which encourages courage, service, keeping to simplicity, and being progressive.

Betty Oswald's Golden Gift Leaf

Ben Zander and "possibilities" yet to be discovered.

Bonding with Alpha Delta and Beta Beta sisters

Ease of talking with strangers

The sister from Florida who gave sea shells to sisters she observed in an act of kindness

The youth and diversity in Austin

Marsha Shaddock, Alpha Delta....

One of the highlights of the convention for me was going to Headquarters! Being in Dr. Annie Webb Blanton's room was so beautiful and heartwarming ☺

Marlynn Martin, Pi

As a "1st timer" at the DKG International Convention I was most impressed. It was exceptionally well organized, and everything flowed in a smooth and timely manner. The business meetings were lengthy, but I appreciated affording the attendees the opportunity to speak on DKG decision making. The sessions I attended were very informative and presented in a very professional manner. The highlight was the 2 plenary speakers who through their presentations reminded us why DKG is important and why we do what do. My knowledge and understanding of DKG was deepened. I will encourage all members to attend an international convention.

Capitalize International Convention

Linda Lightsey, Alpha Upsilon.....

It was wonderful to have the opportunity to tour our International Headquarters building and to see how & where much of the administrative work of the Society is done. The Texas ladies did an amazing job facilitating those tours.

Seeing the parliamentary process in action in our business meetings was mostly amazing, though at times the process itself seemed bewildered. Regardless, we forged through. Use of the voting devices provided us instant feed results and freed us from moving through "voice vote" to "stand-up vote" to a "headcount vote." We saw not only the actual number of votes for & against proposals but also the percentage each number represented.

A reinforcement of something I already knew: Do not plan to put more into a meeting than the allotted time allows. Don't ask someone to prepare a presentation of any kind for a particular session & then not have time for that presentation. I think this is an imperative not only for those planning conference & convention sessions but also for those planning chapter meetings. Respect time constraints.

Gifts totaling \$32,041.19 for our International Emergency Fund reinforce our commitment to each other.

As is always the case, the reconnecting, the fellowship was the "best-est" part of our gathering.

Brenda Batey, Alpha Upsilon.....

Was it worth the effort, time, and expense? You bet it was! Two thousand one women from the U.S. and abroad, in one space for one purpose, EDUCATION! Most inspirational speaker: Nadia Lopez, of New York. (Let's have her here in MS!) Most beneficial results: new acquaintances; participating in the Business Meetings & Breakout Sessions and sharing among our 50+ Zeta State delegation! A Plus, shopping at the convention Marketplace!

Linda Hollingsworth, Pi

Attending the International Convention as Zeta State President was a special experience! It was amazing to be a part of the Administrative Board Executive Meetings. Being in the room with all of the Society State Presidents and meeting them personally was especially exciting! Just being up close and personal with the business of our Society was informative and daunting at the same time! Not dull for sure!

I was glad that I had read and prepared for the process of listening to all of the proposed amendments and then voting.....I knew more about this process than I thought and learned much more about our Society and the members who are part of it! Just listening to Helen Popovich (now our new International Parliamentarian) explain some proposals and hear everyone give a sign of relief when she finished...like "Oh, that's what it means"! What a great lady!

Sharing this convention with 50 Mississippi members was perhaps the greatest joy that I had while I was there.... I was so proud of everyone and proud to tell others how many we had in attendance! Thank you so much for being a part of this historic convention!

I appreciate all of you participating in our Zeta State Dinner at the Osteria Pronto Italian Restaurantit was a great meal and the fellowship was even better! I was elated to watch as Marlynn Martin and Kim Gregory played piano preludes for our General Sessions and Angie Quinn and Nancy Jay presented sessions. What talent we have in our state!

Watching Stephanie Jones' face as she was named 2018 Mississippi Star of the Southeast at the Regional Breakfast was priceless! I wish I could do that again!

Mississippi was well represented, and I was a very proud State President! Thank you for being there for this convention!

Saturday, August 25thKicked off another year!

About 33 Zeta State Officers and Committee Chairs gathered for lunch, Hummingbird cake and state planning for the last year of this biennium! It is so hard to believe that we are in our second year! Time flies, as they say, "When you are having fun"! A huge "thank you" to all of those who attended this very important meeting!

We have lots of great things in store as we plan this next year and as our chapters, headed by new presidents, get into the swing of their meetings. There will be great things down this wonderful road.....looking forward to great chapter successes, recruiting of new members, a fantastic State Convention where we will install new officers and kick off a new biennium! Wow...what great things we have in store for all of us!

We want all of you to be part of all of this! Start your planning now!

Why Attend the 2019 Zeta State Convention?

Zeta State Convention Chairman

Karen Rhodes

Fellowship, personal and professional development, and just plain fun is my experience when I attend the Zeta State Convention. The Convention is set for April 5-6, 2019 at the Hilton Hotel on County Line Road, Jackson. We have already begun to make some preliminary plans with the hotel and with our state committees. So, you may ask, why should I be making plans to attend the convention? Well, let me share with you some reasons:

1. The convention will be offering CEUs for those who attend the convention beginning Friday morning through Saturday afternoon. Many school districts grant professional leave for educators to attend events that offer CEUs
2. The Convention hotel room rate is \$109.00 a night but only until March 18, 2019. Rooms have two queen beds and may be reserved now. The information on how to reserve a room is at the end of the article.
3. The food and refreshments are especially prepared for each event.
4. Workshops are planned in areas of interest to grow both personally and professionally.
5. The opportunity to network with educators from around the state.
6. Time to just have fun! Take my word for it..... once you make connections with new "sisters" around the state, you are friends for life.

Group Name: Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Group Code: DKG4
Rate: \$109.00

Check-in: 04-APR-2019
Check-out: 07-APR-2019
Closing date: 18-MAR-2019

Hotel Name: [Hilton Jackson](#)
Hotel Address: 1001 East County Line Road
 Jackson, Mississippi
 39211
Phone Number: 601-957-2800



Love to Read, Read to Share!

Coordinator
Aleta Sullivan

Once again, sisters of Zeta State DKG have the opportunity to share favorite books at Zeta State Convention. Participating members will display (on tri-fold boards) information about a special book at Convention. As teachers, we read for many reasons: professional growth, places to travel, to preview classroom books, or simply to escape the daily grind. Choose a book you wish others would read. Then convince us to read it with your display.

To participate, simply click on the link below and complete the online form:

<https://goo.gl/7CgXKy>

...or email your name, name of book, and author to aletasullivan@gmail.com

A  *from your EEC Music Representative*

Music Representative
Kim Gregory

This biennium has been all about the hummingbird, but now I'm on the lookout for SONGbirds! I am so excited that we are bringing ladies together from all across our state to form our Zeta State Choir. From my own experience at district meetings and convention, I have heard so many beautiful voices! Now is your chance to sing with other ladies at our State Convention in April. If you would like to join the choir, please email me at choirgrl36@yahoo.com or text/call me at 662-414-8493. I look forward to making beautiful music together!

Calling all of Zeta State Artists!

Arts and Humanities Liaison
Betty Oswald

Wherever your talent lies.....writing poetry, painting, mosaics, photography, crocheting, knitting.....and this list can go on and on, please think about having one of your artistic items in our Arts and Humanities display at our 2019 Zeta State Convention, April 5-6th, at the Hilton, in Jackson!

There will be more information forthcoming in our Winter Zeta Data! You can get busy on your project.....now! If you have questions, contact Betty Oswald (bettyoswald28@gmail.com).

Congratulations to these Amazing Members!



Fonda Dickinson, Pi Chapter

\$104,000 awarded for graduate study!

The May 2018 DKG Newsletter released several names of members from Alaska, Mississippi, Tennessee, New Jersey, Texas, South and North Carolina, Oklahoma and Florida who have received \$6,000 or \$10,000 international scholarships for the 2018- 2019 year. Receiving a \$10,000 scholarship for her doctoral study is our own.... Fonda Dickinson!



Dr. Elizabeth Mahaffey, Tau Chapter

The Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (OADN) is proud to celebrate Dr. Libby Mahaffey, the inaugural recipient of the Accreditation Commission in Nursing Education's (ACEN) **Lifetime Achievement Award for Service**. Dr. Mahaffey was presented the award at the first ACEN Conference during the opening ceremony on July 12, 2018. The ACEN instituted the award to honor extraordinary individuals who have made indelible contributions to nursing education, nursing practice, and/or accreditation over a sustained period.

She has demonstrated outstanding contributions to the field through her leadership and enduring commitment to excellence in nursing education," says OADN President Dr. Christy Dryer. (To read more, go to Newswise.)



Dr. Sharon Enzor, Alpha Psi Chapter-

From a group of more than 40 nominees, nineteen women were chosen as **"Influential Women"** finalists by *Mud and Magnolias Magazine*. Sharon Enzor, Alpha Psi chapter, was one of the chosen finalists. According to *Mud and Magnolias Magazine*, "Dr. Sharon Enzor is the chief academic officer at Blue Mountain College, serves as academic dean of the faculty, is a member of the President's Cabinet and advises the President on academic affairs. She has also participated in a number of international, regional, state and local events with The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International in the 44 years she has been a member. Additionally, Sharon is a volunteer peer evaluator with the Southern Association of

Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. She led the completion of the 2015 Compliance Certification for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for which the College had no recommendations."

- ❖ If you have members in your chapter who have received awards or accomplished something extraordinary.....please let us know! Contact Toni Cook, Webmaster, and Linda Hollingsworth, Zeta State President!

Growing a New Chapter.....

Greetings from Mississippi's newest chapter, Beta Beta!

What an exciting time for us!

Beta Beta President

Kim Gregory

The need for a chapter in the Oxford area was first recognized by Sandra Roy and Reba Greer, but it would take a DKG "army" of women who would bring that dream to fruition. Eight ladies from the Oxford area were members of the Alpha Delta Chapter in Hernando, and those eight ladies recruited seven new members to be a part of the new chapter. Without Alpha Delta's help and support of expanding their chapter to create Beta Beta, our already daunting task would have been even more difficult. Janet Conley, Linda Hollingsworth, Chris Wall, and several other ladies from Zeta State and International were instrumental in helping us navigate the waters of expansion.

Now that Beta Beta is a reality, the real work has begun! We have fifteen strong, intelligent and innovative women who are super excited and incredibly terrified about all of our new roles as officers and committee chairs. It is quite overwhelming! The great thing that we've all realized is that we're in this together, we're all learning together, and when we make mistakes we will just say "That was a wonderful learning opportunity!" Our theme for this year of programs is "Teaching and Learning Outside of the Box." Each program is being led by one of our own members. We are going to learn about growing school and community gardens, defining what "the box" is and how we go about teaching innovative lessons, teaching school in rural Alaska, and teaching and mentoring inmates in prison. Talk about teaching outside of the box! These ladies have done it all! We are also operating on the "each one, reach one" idea of recruiting new members from the four counties we serve: Lafayette, Panola, Yalobusha and Calhoun. Our goal is to not only do a local project, but to do one in at least one of the other counties and to reach out to new teachers in these different school districts.

I want to encourage other large chapters to think about expansion and growing a new chapter. It's not a division, it's a multiplication! The old saying about "bloom where you are planted" rings true. If you think of expansion as growing a

chapter, you are essentially planting seeds in other areas of our state. Those seeds will grow and blossom and make their part of the world a more beautiful place by supporting the children and educators there. Yes, expansion is scary and a lot of hard work, but it's all about your perspective. I feel that our goal as members of Delta Kappa Gamma is to expand our territory and make the greatest impact for education in as many places as we can. If we view expansion in a positive light, then the possibilities are endless!

Wanted: Chapter Yearbooks!

Zeta State First Vice President
Joanna Alston

It's that time again: fall is in the air, chapters are meeting, and yearbooks are being distributed to members. Why? What is the big deal about a yearbook? According to the 2016 *Go-To Guide for Chapter Members, Handbook of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International*, a yearbook is indeed a "big deal." Take a look at these points found on pages 12 and 13:

- A chapter yearbook provides a **ready reference of important facts** concerning Society business, a **calendar of events**, and the **contact information** of each member and may include state officers, committee chairmen and International officers.
- A yearbook provides members **information about meetings, activities, deadlines**, and may include state organization and international personnel contact information.
- A chapter may include its **chapter rules** in the yearbook.

Sounds like a pretty big deal, right? That's one reason there are **two** Zeta State Honor Chapter Criteria regarding yearbooks—one being that the yearbook is reviewed with members at the first meeting; the other that it is mailed to select Zeta State officers by December 1.

Since yours was already printed for the first meeting, go ahead and put it in the mail! *Remember to include a completed copy of **Form 25** for the First Vice President.*

Calling All Members 50+ Years – Our Mississippi Stars!

Membership Committee Chairman
Chris Wall

At the 2019 Zeta State Convention, the Zeta State Membership Committee will present previously recognized Mississippi Stars, as well as those who have reached this status in 2018. In January, a letter and personal information form will be mailed to these precious members for them to complete and return with a digital or original photo. Their chapter presidents and membership chairs will be notified by email and asked to contact their 50+ members to insure they received the packet and to assist their Mississippi Stars with mailing the completed forms and photographs to the State Membership Committee. Also, we will be encouraging chapters to sponsor their Mississippi Stars by paying the convention registration fee and Celebration Luncheon meal ticket cost. Family members are welcomed to attend, but they will be required to purchase a luncheon meal ticket. These special acts of kindness would be most appreciated! For questions and further information, please contact Chris Wall at chris.wall50@gmail.com or by telephone at (601) 613-2230.

SEE Project is the Way to GO and GROW!

Membership Committee SEE Representative

Lauren Olson

Be sure to encourage chapter members to become involved in your chapter's SEE project in 2018-2019. It's an exciting way to support mentoring and educate and involve new teachers in DKG. Mentees should always be considered as prospects for membership. Mentors have the opportunity to support, encourage and inspire new teachers, which should benefit the children in their classrooms, their parents and other educators. In February 2018, Zeta State chapters reported a total number of 4,880 volunteered hours for the SEE Project. Let's gather our forces again and challenge our members to increase the number of volunteered hours to 5,000 in 2019!

Note: Chapters will be requested to submit a completed SEE State Report Form (Form 22 - Revised May 2018) by February 1, 2019 to Lauren Olson, State SEE Representative.

How Important is DKG Membership to You?

Membership Committee Chairman

Chris Wall

Our greatest challenge as a Society is recruiting and retaining members. Each of us is qualified to recommend potential members and hopefully motivated to mentor current members who are not actively involved in the activities of our chapter. What does it take to make these actions a priority in our chapter and with each member? It takes planning, time and a willingness to communicate with other women educators. It is the responsibility of the Chapter President and Membership Committee to determine the plan for recruiting and retaining members and encouraging each member to become a mentor to ALL members, as well as to early Career Educators (ECE), but it takes each active member doing her part to grow the chapter.

For any plan to work, team members must understand their role, have tools and resources ready to use, and possess a positive attitude! The women educators in DKG and Zeta State are knowledgeable, experienced and dedicated leaders who are always ready to accept a challenge and get the job done!

Consider the following reminders and suggestions:

- To recruit new members – remember that “prospects” are not always employed on a school, college or university campus. They can be employed in business and industry, hospitals, medical clinics, churches, consultative organizations, museums, zoos, government offices, etc. A “professional educator” is one who is employed or retired from an educational position. The perfect tool for recruiting members is the DKG marketing brochure, *Journey for Life*, which offers a brief summary of the value and benefits of DKG membership. Members should be encouraged to have copies available to share with potential members at work, in the teacher's lounge, medical offices, libraries, etc. Another resource to utilize during the recruitment process is the DKG Recruitment/Membership Plan. It was written to guide officers through the recruitment process and provide letters and forms to document each step. Logon to the Zeta State website at www.zetastategkg.org to locate the DKG Recruitment/Membership Plan. Also, be aware of other helpful documents created by International located on the website at www.dkg.org under Tools, then click on Chapter Tools. Local newspapers, educational bulletins, and business and industry publications are excellent resources to assist with identifying prospective members. Outstanding and highly qualified educators will be recognized for their efforts and we should be bold enough to recognize them and introduce them to the benefits of DKG.
- To retain members – every member must feel welcomed and needed in her chapter. Take time to encourage members to support one another through personal contacts and recognition at meetings for their participation and service. By focusing on building strong relationships through communication and personal recognition, a chapter will grow in numbers, as well as produce amazing leaders. Get to know each member by reviewing her Recommendation for Membership Application (Form 26) to discover special talents, hobbies and personal interests that could provide opportunities for service. Your chapter newsletter is a great way to spotlight new

members and recognize the professional and personal accomplishments of current members. Ask “newly inducted” members to serve as greeters at chapter meetings, make announcements, distribute program materials/handouts, set-up laptops/projectors/screens for program presenters, serve as a meeting hostess, and serve on chapter committees. By involving every member, we encourage strong relationships that will become friendships and provide valuable opportunities for communication.

Ladies, we believe that you are ready to meet the challenges of membership with an extraordinary ‘Can Do’ DKG Spirit! Also, we believe each of YOU values your membership in DKG and wants to serve and lead in any way possible to increase your chapter membership. Zeta State, are YOU ready? Let’s give it All! We have GOT to significantly increase our membership role in Mississippi!

Can You Find Your Chapter’s Name in This Article?

Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee
Dr. Gail Hammond

Our committee has partnered with the following members to review their chapter rules:

Northern District -- Betty Owen (Upsilon) and Sharon Enzor (Alpha Psi)

Central District -- Aleta Sullivan (Delta)

Southern District -- Kay Young (Psi), Ann Nelson (Alpha Gamma), Carol Rawlings (Alpha Theta), and Stephanie Jones (Alpha Lambda)

We worked together to reach a fruitful conclusion. Hurrah! These rules won’t be under review again until 2022.

Chapters with rules approved during the last biennium are due in 2020: Alpha Kappa and Xi.

Chapters with rules due **in autumn of 2018**: Pi, Rho, and Alpha Upsilon.

Chapter rules must be reviewed every four years by the Zeta State Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee. If your chapter is not listed above, your rules are past due for review. Contact Dr. Gail Hammond at ghammondphd@gmail.com for a copy of the *Sample Chapter Rules*. This document will be very helpful to you. You may submit your chapter rules to that same email address. We look forward to working with your chapter to put the stamp of approval on your rules.

Leadership Wants You!

Leadership Development Committee
Angie Woodcock

Greetings from the Leadership Development Committee.....

We had such a good time getting to know many of you at our Chapter Leaders’ Retreat at Copiah Academy, June 9th! It was so wonderful to have 34 out of our 36 chapters represented at our CLR! The training offered was for our new 2018-2020 Presidents, First Vice Presidents (Program Chairs), Chapter Membership Chairmen, Chapter Treasurers and Communications Chairmen. We had a great day and received very positive evaluations about all training!

We are poised for this to be our best year yet! Speaking of the best, there are two things our committee is looking forward to in the upcoming months. The first, of course, is the 2019 Zeta State Convention at the Hilton, in Jackson! The convention is always a fun and informative time, so we hope to see everyone there, especially our chapter presidents at the Presidents’ Session on Friday afternoon. We had such a good time in our presidents’ session at CLR, it will be great to “get the band back together!”

The other “best” thing we are looking forward to is our Zeta State Leadership Management Seminar which will be June 10-12, 2019, at Eagle Ridge Convention Center. This empowering seminar is life enriching and life empowering! Our goal is to have a nominee from *each* of our Zeta State chapters. Our committee will email all chapter presidents with the information they need to begin encouraging their chapter members to apply. We can promise you that the 2-1/2 days you give up..... will be worth every single minute!

The 2019 Zeta State Achievement Award

Awards Committee Chairman
Jean Ricks

Chapters should be thinking about recommendations for the Zeta State Achievement Award. Recommendation for the award must be made by chapters, not by individual members. The Achievement Award Recommendation Form is Form 1 in the Chapter President's Notebook.

The form must be submitted to the Committee Chairman and be postmarked by February 1, 2019, in order to be considered for the award.

More information will be forthcoming in the Winter issue of Zeta Data. Just remember that the person recommended must have been an active member with at least 7 years of active membership.

Recommendations for 2019-2021 Officers and Related Personnel

The Zeta State Nominations Committee will soon be compiling a slate of officers for the state 2019-21 biennium. Chapters and chapter members are encouraged to submit recommendations for the elected positions of: president, first vice president, second vice president, recording secretary, northern district director and northern district assistant director, central district director and central district assistant director, and southern district director and southern district assistant director. In addition to the pre-mentioned, the committee will accept recommendations for the State Nominations Committee, which consist of one elected representative from each of the three districts.

Pages 39-40 in the Chapter President's Notebook provide additional information about candidates' qualifications and about the election process. An official "Recommendation for Zeta State Office" form (Form 16, revised May 2018) must be completed for each member recommended and postmarked or emailed no later than Monday, October 1, 2018 to:

Chairman of the Zeta State Nominations Committee
Cynthia Colburn
123 High Point Dr.
Tupelo, MS 38801
crcolburn55@gmail.com

Chapter presidents may want to refer to the revised Honor Chapter Criteria and the recommendation by chapter for state officers. Thank you for submitting names.

We want to "Communicate" With You!

Communications and Publicity Committee
Cheryl Saffle

Greetings Zeta State members....

Your Zeta State Communications and Publicity Committee met on Saturday, September 8th, at Zeta State Headquarters for a planning session for 2018-19. We are excited to be able to serve each Zeta State District and local chapters with a "Can Do" spirit. Our committee is encouraging each chapter to submit at least two publications to meet the criteria set for Honor Chapter and to share your newsletters with sister chapters. Your publications from this past year were exceptional and each chapter would benefit from being able to have a consensus of what is happening in other parts of our state. Keep up the great job!!

We are available if you have any questions or need any type of assistance with your newsletters.

Have a great year,

Cheryl Saffle - Communications & Publicity Chair

Derricka Thomas

Diane Warren - Zeta Data Editor

Kim Fandel

Klancey Phillips

Stephanie Garland

Toni Cook - Webmaster

Fonda Dickinson - Consultant

World Fellowship.....Impacting Education Worldwide!

World Fellowship Committee
Fonda Dickinson

The World Fellowship Committee (WF) serves as a link between the International World Fellowship Committee and chapters within Zeta State. Our committee will be contacting your chapter to foster an interest in WF.

Communications with your chapter about WF will be sent through emails suggesting ways to raise money for such a worthy cause. Our International Website has information about our WF Recipients that might be of interest to your chapter members and where they are studying in the US and Canada.

My contact information is fondamomma@yahoo.com or 601-847-2209.

Be First with your Red Rose and Grant in Aid!

Professional Affairs Representative
Jenetta Waddell

I encourage your chapter to participate in these activities designed to improve the professional status of women educators. I will be emailing/ mailing the forms to each chapter Professional Affairs Representative. Jenetta Waddell (EEC Professional Growth Representative)

- **Red Rose Award (Form 20)** – The Red Rose Award honors a woman who is a non-member of the Society who resides and/or works in the chapter area and whose accomplishments have benefited education and the status of women in education leadership roles. Due Date: February 1, 2019.
- **Zeta State Grant-in-Aid Award (Form 10)** – A Grant-in-Aid award of \$500 is presented annually. There are several criteria for eligibility:
 - A female resident of Mississippi
 - A college student **who will be an incoming senior for the fall 2019 semester**
 - Exhibits an aptitude for and desire to pursue a career in the field of education
 Due Date: February 1, 2019
- **Chapter Grant-in-Aid Report (Form 11)** – Chapters whose grant-in-aid recipient does not meet the Zeta State Grant-in-Aid Award criteria will submit the Chapter Grant-in-Aid Report. Due Date: February 1, 2019

Zeta State Pre-Convention Seminar

“Mississippi’s Mansion and First Lady, King Edward Hotel and the Old Capital Museum”

The Pre-Convention Seminar is scheduled for Friday, April 5, 8:30-2:00. Join us for an interesting, enjoyable, and cost-effective seminar focused on Mississippi AND Zeta State historical past. More information, including the registration form, will be posted online by October 1. You will need to attend this for CEU credit. *The fun will be limited to the first 60 who register!*

Scholarship Wants You!

Zeta State Scholarship Committee Chairman
Dr. Angela Quinn

The Scholarship Committee is looking forward to another great year! We have been working to organize and digitize files and are preparing to receive deserving members’ scholarship applications this February. We anticipate honoring two more women educators who are seeking advanced degrees and finding time to give their time and talents to our organization. Stacy Baudoin and Christy Sheffield from Southern District, Angie Quinn and Cynthia Colburn from Northern District, and Paula Wimbish from Central District with Consultant, Aleta Sullivan from Central District offer great thanks to all who applied for both scholarships last year and hope to see many strong applications again this year.

For those who are planning to apply, remember to apply by February 1 of the scholarship year. Begin collecting your information now, focusing on chapter, state, and international service in building a strong application. Your service in

your schools, districts, and other organizations is important, too, but service to Zeta State and attendance at our meetings and conventions are considered heavily. We look forward to seeing all of the ways you are serving and learning in DKG!

Mary Stuart Harmon Scholarship News

MSH Committee

Janet Berg

The Mary Stuart Harmon Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the availability of a \$1,000.00 scholarship for a member who is pursuing a degree above the master's degree. The application (Form 15, revised 2018) is available on the state website, (www.zetastatedkg.org), in the Chapter Presidents Notebook, and from Board Chair Janet Berg (iceberg1234@comcast.net). Only those applications that follow guidelines and are postmarked by **February 1, 2019** will be considered. The recipient will be recognized at our 2019 Zeta State Convention.

Start Saving Your Money!

Headquarters Committee

Lynn Holliday

The Convention will be here before you know it! The Silent Auction to benefit the Headquarters rent expenses will again be at the Convention. We'll have all sorts of items that you can't live without so bring your money and a pen to put your ID number on the back of the ticket. Price of the tickets will be one ticket for \$1.00, six tickets for \$5.00, twelve tickets for \$10.00, twenty-five tickets for \$20.00. We will have items drawn so participants can see whether or not they were lucky as you go into the luncheon. Items can then be picked up before or after the luncheon once ownership has been established. Be sure and locate a committee member selling tickets Friday night or Saturday before the sessions to get your winning ticket(s).

Giving back

As always, the State Headquarters Committee members will be conducting a drawing for reimbursement of registration. One name will be drawn for a "First-timer" to the convention and one name will be drawn from all of the tickets of the participants of the Silent Auction. All names included will be auction and non-auction winners. Winners must be present at the banquet to receive their award!

Celebrating Women of Distinction and Our Projects in Zeta State Chapters

Personal Growth and Services Representative

Suzanne Brasfield

Chapter Presidents and Personal Growth and Service Chairs, I encourage you to begin the process of naming your Chapter Woman of Distinction. The Chapter Woman of Distinction Award is presented in even numbered years. This service award, which addresses three of the Delta Kappa Gamma Purposes (I, III, and IV), offers an opportunity for a chapter to honor a member who has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to education, her chapter, and/or her community. Each chapter decides the criteria and method of selection for this award. Chapters may designate women for the honor by involving the whole chapter in the selection process or by allowing the Personal Growth and Services Committee to choose. *ALL* information must be completed on Form 22 and mailed or emailed to me with a picture of your honoree on or before December 1, 2018. Each of these ladies is honored at our State Convention. It is so important to honor ladies in our local chapter, so remember to address this topic and make a very important decision that will honor one of your members.

Also, this year we want to celebrate what chapters are providing through their chapter projects in Zeta State. Through your projects only positive things can happen as your chapters work to address important issues within your schools and communities. We want to hear about your projects and the results of your hard work. When a chapter is considering a project, its members may be led to replicate your project, or it may spark interest in a new or related project. You may be able to motivate other chapters by sharing your project. Please be thinking about your projects and be prepared to complete Form 14, Chapter/State Service Project Report Form for one of these. The completed form must be forwarded to me on or before February 1 with a picture showcasing your work. A power point will be prepared to continually play during the Convention. This must be a project that your Chapter completes in your community.

I will be sending reminders to you to make certain you meet the deadlines for Woman of Distinction and Chapter Service Project reports. Presidents and Vice Presidents will have updated forms they received during the Chapter Leader's Retreat. If I can help you in any way, please contact me: Suzanne Brasfield, 161 Maplevue Road, West Point, MS 39773, 662-295-8454, brasfam@bellsouth.net. I look forward to receiving these forms through e-mail or regular mail that share how your chapters are making a difference in your communities.



Chapter Flutters

Alpha Omicron

Alpha Omicron chapter is excited to start our new year with a Welcome dinner for new members. As we move into fall, we will be supporting new teachers with a gift card for their classrooms. In addition, we will choose a Red Rose recipient and a Woman of Distinction.

Alpha Theta

Alpha Theta is getting geared up for another year with the collection of school supplies to replenish area classrooms in January. This year these supplies will be donated to individual teachers in the South Pike School District to help them provide students with school necessities after they return from Christmas Break. We are also looking forward to the addition of three new members at our October induction ceremony.

Gamma

Gamma chapter gathered Monday, 9/10, for a meal provided by our executive board and our recommitment ceremony. Karen Rhodes was honored with our yearbook dedication, and we collected money for Schools for Africa. We also started a new participation initiative, Gamma STARS, to recognize the contributions our members make to DKG and to their communities. We're looking forward to a great year.

Beta Alpha

The Beta Alpha chapter will start meeting in October. Presentations throughout the year include Botox awareness by Dr. Andrew Achord, getting organized with Edye Coleman, FBI agent Molly Blythe, security, special education crafts, and Lobbyist Nancy Loome.

Alpha Upsilon

In August, Alpha Upsilon took advantage of the Hancock County Teacher Appreciation Dinner and the Infinity Center Open House to recruit new members. Chapter representatives were on hand to share information about The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Not only did the chapter members interact with teachers, but also participated in giveaways and door prizes for the teachers. The events were very successful in that several teachers have been invited to our first meeting.

Alpha

Alpha Chapter placed treat bags including DKG information in the Pre-K and K boxes. We made plans to do other grades during the next few months.

Linda Hollingsworth came to our chapter meeting Tuesday, September 11th and gave a great introduction to the goals and benefits of DKG. I have received positive word that at least 6-8 of the teachers want to join. So, our chapter may double in membership. Awesome news!

Psi

Psi Chapter held our first meeting at Bull's Restaurant in Long Beach, Mississippi in August. We initiated and welcomed five new members at this meeting. Four Early Career Educators were our guests and were showered with an assortment of school supplies and other items for their classrooms. A scholarship was also awarded to our Grant in Aid recipient.

Alpha Psi

The number one goal for Alpha Psi this biennium is growing our chapter in membership and diversity. To accomplish this, Chapter President, Jennifer Huddleston unveiled our H. E. A. R. T. initiative to meet this goal:

Helping others through our service projects

Empowering ourselves as educators

Attending meetings regularly

Recruiting members to grow our chapter in numbers and diversity

Training our members for service beyond the local chapter level

Zeta

Zeta chapter is busy planning ways to give to children in foster or less fortunate situations by donating supplies, money for school t-shirts, and paying past due lunch accounts. We are also focusing on supporting our Grant-in-Aid recipient from last year to make sure we continue to mentor her through her first year of teaching. We discussed sending aid to those affected by Hurricane Florence as well. We are eagerly looking for new ways to promote DKG and recruit members, so we'd love to hear what other chapters have done!

Alpha Phi

Alpha Phi began the year with a Founder's Day program in Winona. We have added one meeting to our calendar in hopes that this will increase participation and allow for more involvement in our chapter. Program Chair, Vivian Simmons, has exciting programs planned to motivate us as we continue to touch lives in our communities. Upcoming programs include book reviews featuring Teaching Controversial Issues and The Matchstick Cross. Laurie Parker, author of The Matchstick Cross, was a speaker at one of our meetings last year and works with EL students.

Alpha Lambda

The Alpha Lambda chapter had a great gathering this past Sunday at the Labrot house. Everyone is excited about this new year and we all enjoyed discussing the information Sandra and Sybil had to share from their time in Austin. I must say it has ignited a new fire in them and the rest of the members as well! We had six prospective members attend and we are very excited about their interest in learning more about DKG.

We have great plans for this upcoming year and we hope that with some of the meeting changes that it will help to educate new members and invigorate those of us who have been members for a while.

Alpha Delta

Alpha Delta is again bringing feminine hygiene products to each meeting for our Dignity Period project. We also bring shampoo, body wash, and lotion that we have saved from hotel visits. These are given to the school nurse at a Desoto County Middle School to be dispensed to girls who usually miss several days of school each month because of lack of such products.

Omega

Omega Chapter is using people in our community who have unusual or very interesting hobbies or have travels to tell about for our Chapter programs. Many of these individuals are teachers and we can introduce them to our organization for possible membership later.

Alpha Iota

This year in Alpha Iota, we will have our third Basket Auction. This is our biennium fundraiser that Suzanne Brasfield started four years ago. They have all been very successful and we can't wait to see what this year's Basket Auction will hold. Members create baskets for the auction at our December meeting! The money from our Auction goes for our literacy program "Two Can Read" and our first teacher mentor program "Pros First".

Beta

Beta Chapter met on August 16, 2018, and enjoyed food, fellowship, and fun during this "catch up" and "kick-off" meeting. Our SEE team welcomed four new teachers with a tea at Clinton Park Elementary (Pre-K--1st grade) on September 12th. We have a new teacher Welcome Tea scheduled at Northside Elementary in Clinton (2nd--3rd grade) this Thursday. Our September 22nd meeting at MC's Dyslexia Center will feature InterVarsity Graduate and Faculty Minister and fledgling author Chandra Crane (yes, I'm her proud MIL) speaking on race relations.

Alpha Kappa

On August 27th, Alpha Kappa had their first meeting of the biennium at Oktibbeha County Hospital in Starkville with program speaker Dr. Emily Landrum, who spoke to members about women's health. Chapter President April Dill concluded the meeting by reviewing the DKG society purposes, introducing exciting classroom grant opportunities for current members, and previewing upcoming programs.

Delta

Delta Chapter held their first meeting on September 11. After reviewing the yearbook, the membership was treated to an inspirational business success story from Ann's Bakery owner, Ann Lowery.

Alpha Gamma



Our Alpha Gamma Chapter of Zeta State is so proud to announce we are continuing the Little Free Library initiative previously started by the Hattiesburg Arts Council! By doing this project, we hope that ALL members of our community may be able to experience and enjoy reading. Dedicated volunteers from our chapter will work hard to maintain the look and stocking of books. Our Little Free Library will soon be registered and on the map so please check it out at www.littlefreelibrary.org

Eta

Eta chapter will collect different items at each meeting to help students in Tupelo and Lee County. Items we are collecting are: school supplies, socks & underwear, personal hygiene items, and books. Items will be dispersed to schools represented by our chapter.

Iota

The Iota Chapter of DKG launched the new year with a September 13th social meeting featuring team building exercises, officer and committee orientation, and information stations detailing the Schools for Africa project and other DKG service projects. Iota is gearing up for several local community projects including the Carnegie Public Library Fall Festival, the Juke Joint Children's Creative Art Project, classroom gifts for new teachers, numeracy and literacy books for schools, college scholarships for future educators, and a mentoring program for new teachers through the RISE partnership.

Sigma

Our first meeting is September 27 where we will be inducting six new members! We will also choose four new teachers who we will support throughout this school year.

Alpha Rho



New Additions to Delta Kappa Gamma

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International recently initiated 14 new members into the Alpha Rho Chapter and inducted new officers for the 2018-2020 biennium. Located in Lamar County, Alpha Rho Chapter was chartered in 1980 by Sigma and currently has two active charter members, Mrs. Carolyn Adams and Mrs. Betty Rose Breazeale. DKG promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education worldwide. Members attend quarterly meetings directly related to the society’s seven purposes. Alpha Rho Chapter awards a scholarship to a young lady pursuing a degree in education.

2018 New Inductees to Delta Kappa Gamma’s Alpha Rho Chapter



Alpha Rho Chapter Supports Newest Lamar County School

July began a new journey for Lumberton schools. In a voluntary consolidation, Lumberton schools joined forces with the Lamar County School District. The Alpha Rho Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International seized an opportunity to support its newest school addition. As an expression of unity among fellow educators, the chapter provided lunch for faculty and staff members of Lumberton schools during a teacher work day. The faculty enjoyed Subway sandwiches, chips, and fresh baked cookies. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.



2017 - 2019 Zeta State Officers

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