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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*By Karen Butler*

Welcome back to another wonderful year in DKG! There have been a few changes in our chapter officers since our last meeting. Some officers have re-arranged positions. We certainly appreciate their flexibility and willingness to serve our chapter. I will be installed as your next chapter president. Thank you for your vote of confidence in asking me to serve our chapter in this manner. In other interesting news, our chapter has a 'first' in its 67 year history! Don't miss our September meeting to find out what it is!

If you know the name of a 1st -3rd year teacher you would like to submit for a Grant-in-Aid, please be prepared to submit their name at our September meeting.

As always, let's encourage each other in attendance to our meetings this year. If you know of a previous member who had to step out for a few years, would you take the time to call and invite them to our meeting on September 13? I am excited to share all the news from state convention this past summer. Speaking of State Convention, get ready...in 2017 it will be held in....Houston, TX!

Please note: The next meeting will be September 13 at **Pine Ridge Elementary School Library**

**4:30 PM: Refreshments      4:45 PM: Meeting**

Program Title: "Don't Get Stuck in the Past—Let's Move Forward"

Theme: Leadership, Strengthen, Visionary

State Theme: Education: to educate members about the importance of membership and encourage them to make an impact on their communities and world.

**Don't forget** to use our phone tree for reminding each member about upcoming meetings. Then let's carpool with other members.

Service Project: Pack the Bus

**Mission Statement:**  
*The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education*



### Red Roses and Congratulations:

A very special thank you goes to the Ceremonies Committee members Lucy Kuntz, Mary Nell Rainey, Karen Butler & Paula Kimbro for a beautiful initiation and installation ceremony and to Sherry Kenner for the beautiful crystal ware that she presented to each member.

The chapter would like to congratulate and thank Sherry Kenner for her hard work and diligence in meeting the qualifications for the PACE Award. This is the first time our chapter has received this prestigious award.

Congratulations go to new members Vicki Sheffield and Destiny Pennington and to the new officers for 2016-2018. President Karen Butler, First Vice President Sharon Anderson, Second Vice President Alvene Galloway, Corresponding Secretary Ameer Scarberry, Treasurer Charlotte Hartley, Parliamentarian Sherry Kenner.

## February Snapshots





# April Snapshots





**Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Delta Epsilon Chapter - Regular Meeting  
Minutes of February 9, 2016  
Historical Home of Becky Harvey - Livingston, Texas**

The regular meeting of Delta Epsilon Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was called to order by our president, Sherry Kenner.

Sherry gave out supplement material on wildflowers of Texas she had received from the January meeting.

The collect was read by Charlotte Hartley.

Refreshments were served by the wonderful hostesses of Paula Kimbro, Becky Harvey, Karen Butler, and Lucy Kuntz. The theme represented Mardi Gras and Valentine's Day by having gumbo, velvet cupcakes and other goodies. Also, chocolate covered strawberries were available for a donation to the chapter's fundraiser. The food and fellowship was merry and enjoyed by all of us.

The main program took place after the business meeting. The historical home of Becky Harvey was the perfect setting for members to share their most treasured heirlooms. Becky Harvey began by telling the history of the home and her family ancestry. Other members shared tokens, first books, special teddy bears, dolls, jewelry, and many other heirlooms.

Sherry continued the business meeting. The minutes from January 12, 2016 meeting were reviewed and stands approved as written. Mary Nell Rainey gave the financial report for February. The financial report was reviewed and accepted.

**Committee Reports:**

Program: The next meeting will be April 16, 2016 at the 11:30. The meeting will be at Woodville Methodist Church. A ceremony for installation of officers and the initiation of new members will be part of the program.

**Nominations:**

Charlotte Hartley presented the ballot for the voting of the new officers.

President:

First Vice President: Charlotte Hartley

Second Vice President: Alvene Galloway with Sharon Anderson

Recording Secretary: Melinda Stryker

Corresponding Secretary: Anee Scarberry

Treasurer is selected by the president. Paula Kimbro has volunteered

Parliamentarian: Sherry Kenner

**Professional Affairs:**

The Grant-in-Aid scholarships were awarded to:

Samantha Cain, Livingston, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade math teacher

Emily Carney, Woodville, elementary inclusion special ed.  
teacher

Candra Huckaby, Woodville, middle school inclusion special ed.  
teacher

**Membership:**

The following will be initiation at the next meeting on April 16.

Destiny Pennington, Livingston music teacher

Vicki Sheffield, Woodville middle school English teacher

Vicki Sheffield was the door prize winner.

The winner of the raffled stained glassed heart was Pam Nettles.

The meeting adjourned after singing the Delta Kappa Gamma Song with Sherry Kenner playing the piano.

Respectively submitted,  
Annette Adkins

## Upcoming Events..... Mark your Calendar



- Dues will need to be paid at the September meeting.
- **October 15:**
  1. Leadership Seminar 2017 Application
  2. Leadership Seminar 2017 Chapter President Recommendation Form
- **October 31:**
  1. Chapter member dues to Chapter Treasurer
  2. Society Website Compliance Form 72
- **November 1:**
  1. Earlybird Yearbook Submission
  2. *Lone Star News* submissions
  3. Lucille Cornetet Award for Professional Development-Seminar
- **November 10:**  
Chapter Treasurer submit chapter dues to State Treasurer
- **November 15:**  
IRS 990-N ePostcard
- **December 1:**  
Chapter Yearbooks due

## Collect

Mary Smart

## Elevator Speech

Be sure to check out the Fall 2016 edition of Lone Star News. It is chock full of information. There are some very important tips for new chapter treasurers. Plus, the convention that was held in Frisco is also highlighted, including a picture of chapter PACE award winners in which Karen Butler received the award for Delta Epsilon. Lone Star News can be found on the Texas State Organization web page <http://www.dkgtxas.org/>.



## September Birthdays

- Cheryl Timko September 24
- Charlotte Hartley September 30

## September Hostesses

- Karen Butler
- Paula Kimbro
- Joanne Westmoreland



### “The Heart of the Society is its Members”

The goals of the biennium are taken from the word Heart:

**H – Health:** to encourage members to practice healthy lifestyles, which promote healthier chapters

**E – Education:** to educate members about the importance of membership and encourage them to make an impact on their communities and the world

**A – Achievement:** to achieve our goals as leaders in our chapters and recognize our accomplishments as key women educators

**R – Reflection:** to reflect on our heritage as we advance the Society

**T – Teamwork:** to work as members of a team to strengthen involvement in all levels of the Society.

### Graphics Citation

Red Roses, Pencil and Pad, and Birthday Cake

<http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/image>

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<http://olddesignshop.com/2012/02/fan-shaped-victorian-calling-card/>

**Society Vision Statement:** *Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.*

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