



Alpha Alpha News

PSI State Impacting Members, Impacting Communities

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



President's Message From Mary Jo

Welcome back! It seems that once again we are starting our year with a storm, evacuation, lost days in school and a lost DKG meeting! I hope everyone made it with little damage and stress. Due to the high number of hurricanes this year, the district and International are asking chapters to consider a donation to the Emergency fund. We know from experience this fund is very helpful to our members. At the meeting we will determine how much we would like to contribute to each.

NEW MEETING TIME: 4:45. We will meet this Thursday, October 12th at College Place UMC conference room (Same as last year).

The executive board met this summer and has some great ideas. We will share our ideas and get input from you as well.

Our program this month, is Chapter News and Welcome Back! The Psi State convention was last spring, and I will update you all on our awards and plans for this year.

Our outreach this month is **Communities In Schools**. Please see the list at right.

Communities in Schools began in the 1970s and today, it is the nation's largest and most successful drop out prevention program.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our first meeting! Mjd

Chapter Officers

President: Mary Jo Davis, Polly Cox
First Vice President: Leslie Scarboro
Second Vice President: Julia Cleveland
Recording Secretary: Kim Sapp
Corresponding Secretary: Dianne Lawton
Treasurer: Betsy Simmons

Meeting Information

Thursday, October 12th

College Place UMC
Conference Room

Time: 4:45

Next Meeting:

TBA— we will discuss options at the meeting.



Monthly Outreach Project

Brunswick High—

Communities in Schools

- notebook paper
- mechanical pencils also extra lead
- binders
- dividers
- folders
- composition books
- individually packaged snacks, and water bottles with water.

If you are short on time, with a busy life, drop a small donation in the basket, and I will shop for you.



Nominating Committee:

We will elect officers this year for the next two years. Please consider joining the nominating committee or volunteering for an office.

The committee will begin to work on creating a slate of officers for our February meeting.

Officers will be installed at the March meeting.

AT OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING



Dues may be paid any time before October 31.

Dues are \$70.00. Your dues supports our chapter, our district and Delta Kappa Gamma International

Payment Options:

1. Pay \$70 at meeting
2. Pay \$35 at meeting, postdate a check for \$35 for Nov. 1
3. Mail your check to:

Betsy Simmons

211 Hampton Ave.

St. Simons Island, GA 31522

NEW MEMBERS WANTED

We are still looking for new members and hope to see lots of visitors at the meeting. Due to the storm and the date that dues are due, we have a time crunch on new members again. Please encourage anyone interested to come to our meeting and JOIN!



Alpha Alpha 2016-2017

In Pictures



Collecting for BHS



New member initiation with Psi State President.

Alpha Alpha's Grant In Aid Award



This award is given to a student who is currently enrolled in an undergraduate education program. This student must strong academic performance, a long term commitment to education and have evidence of financial need.

This year we are targeting Seniors. The grant money will help defray costs with student teaching.

We hope to award this grant at our December meeting. The applications will be sent to the college in a few weeks. If you know of a deserving intern in your schools, please tell us!



Ginny Boyd and check from the district Emergency Fund.

Stuffing ditty bags for Seaman's House in December.



Call to order: 5:00 pm MaryJo Davis

Inspirational: Dr. Sarah Parker, *Why I Believe in God*

Inspirational and humorous quotes were read from the text *Why I believe in God*, a collection of children's testimonials on the subject.

Speaker: Brendan Hunt, Manager of Health Promotions and Wellness from the Hospital

Mr. Hunt gave an excellent program; he discussed methods for improving our nutrition through appropriate portion control, colorful fruits and vegetables, and an absence of sugar. Mr. Hunt stressed that the largest return on investment when it comes to personal health can be found through exercise; and at the close of his presentation Hunt passed out complimentary nutrition guides and pedometers for members' use.

Current Business:

The treasurer's report given by Betsy Simmons, and accepted as presented. Alpha Alpha accounts are balanced and \$6000 remains in CD to fund scholarship.

Yearbook and Website: We still need pictures of new members; headshots are preferable, but other pictures can be adapted through Photoshop.

Membership Update: We have approximately 35 active members

Phone tree Volunteers are needed to handle give meeting reminders through the phone tree.

March: Funding: There is funding available through the DKG organization for STEM activities; members should access the state and national websites for more information.

March: Grant Opportunities: Mary Jo shared with us the grant monies that are available for members for professional learning and for special projects. If members are interested in attending a conference, or convention funds may be awarded by applying.

March: Psi State Update from our district director, Lorelei Faucette. Lorelei talked about opportunities at the district and state level, Leadership Training in June, and the convention.

Psi State Convention, Athens, April, 2017. Members agreed to allocate \$25 for a ½ page advertisement in the state bulletin; the copy will include a picture of the Sidney Lanier Bridge.

Upcoming:

Leadership Seminar, March 18, 2017

Psi State Convention, Athens, GA April 28-30, 2017

Meeting Adjourned, 5:30pm.

Next meeting: September 2017

