

## Eta Delta Data



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Dr. Leigh Elizondo

Dear Sisters,

Hurricane Harvey made landfall in August but the effects of this strong storm are still being felt by many residents in the southeast Texas. Many area families and schools are still suffering. For example, children in Rockport and Aransas Pass will not experience their first day back at their own schools until Monday,

October 9<sup>th</sup>. The month-long delay was exacerbated by displaced families, unsafe school buildings, and ruined instructional resources. It will be a relief to see these young people return to an academic routine paired with access to hot meals.

I have also witnessed the generosity of unaffected schools and commercial businesses in providing much needed teacher and student supplies to impacted schools in southeast Texas. With these donations and hundreds of volunteer hours devoted to sorting and making new materials, students are ready to learn.

Delta Kappa Gamma and Texas chapters have been a huge support to its members, many of whom are still rebuilding their own lives while serving their students in the classroom. If you have been affected and have not applied for the \$500 DKG emergency grant, I urge you submit!

*Leigh*

### Meeting

October 7, 2017  
9:30 am

Karen's Home  
16018 Peach Bough  
Court  
Houston, TX 77095

**Dues are due!** Please mail your dues (\$98.00 for regular members or \$40.00 for reserve members) to Nancy Malone at 6158 Doliver, Houston, TX 77057. Checks are made out to Eta Delta. If you have been impacted by Hurricane Harvey and would like assistance with this year's dues, please talk with Leigh (see Hurricane Harvey Plan of Action on page 6 of this newsletter).

**Eta Delta 2016-2018 Officers**

Leigh Elizondo – President  
 Debbie Brand – First Vice President  
 Carol Gillingham – Second Vice President  
 Dede Drexler – Secretary  
 Nancy Malone – Treasurer  
 Kathy Froehlich – Parliamentarian

*Shown left to right: Debbie Brand, Carol Gillingham, Dede Drexler, Nancy Malone, Leigh Elizondo, Jane Flinn (past president) and Kathy Froelich*

**2017-2018 PACE**

The Executive Committee of the Texas State Organization (TSO) of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has chosen to suspend the President's Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE) application and award for the 2017-2018 year. An electronic survey will be distributed to chapter presidents and the results of the survey will be announced at the Waco Convention. Contributions to TSO and ASTEF funds will continue to be recognized at Convention.

**Hurricane Harvey Plan of Action**

To assist Texas State Organization members who have been affected by Hurricane Harvey, TSO is beginning a campaign where all members in the state and other state organizations of DKG can assist members and chapters affected by the storm. The plan has two main components: Member to Member and Campus Helping Hands. Details of the plan, including contact information, are shown on the last page of this newsletter.

**2017-2019 TSO Goals**

- Encourage members to strengthen their chapters by building membership diversity including members of all ages and ethnicities, as well as those who work in all types of schools.
- Honor our heritage as we build membership, strengthen chapters, and take on new challenges in schools and communities.
- Encourage healthy living strategies for our members and their families.
- Support initiatives and programs that will enlighten and inform members about education worldwide.



**Meeting Minutes****May 6, 2017**

At 9:30 a.m., an initiation ceremony was conducted for Lynda Jackson.

Leigh Elizondo called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with 20 members present and 15 absent. After offering the inspiration, she thanked everyone for making DKG a priority and thanked the hostess, Debbie McCart, and Dede Drexler, Sue Ayers, Tina Hughes, and Trish Jenkins for the food.

**Treasurer's Report:** Nancy Malone gave the Treasurer's Report and reminded members of the funds that are distributed to the President and Convention First Timer for attendance at the annual TSO Convention.

Confirmation of membership was given as 31, with 2 new members in 2016, plus Lynda today and 5 reserve members, for a total of 39 at year's end.

**Announcements and News:**

- A thank you letter from UNICEF has been received for the chapter's donation.
- Chapter's newsletter has been awarded the 5-Star Newsletter plus the Seal of Merit for the Biennium with kudos to the Communications Committee.
- Eta Delta has been recognized with the Annie Award and Leigh Elizondo is requesting help making the presentation board for the convention.
- Chapter shirts can still be ordered in time for the convention.
- Lone Star books presentation is May 18th (contact Jane Flinn for details)
- Today's food drive will help stock shelves for summer needs at the Wesley Center.
- Congratulations to Debra Rockefeller for her addition in the Lone Star News.
- Shirley Moan is presenting at the state convention.

**Minutes (con't.)****Convention planning and duties:**

Bonnie Moore updated the chapter on the upcoming convention in Houston and led a discussion on member assignments.

- Duffle bags have been taken care of for the convention.
- Members were directed to the website for convention details.
- To date, 500 room registrations have been made.
- If you sign up for the birthday luncheon, you will be the table hostess.
- Bonnie requested help by 4:15pm Wednesday night (June 21st ) for the Welcoming Reception. Volunteers are asked to bring balloons and weights for casual decorations.
- Brenda requested 9 people from noon to 1:30 on Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> to assist in LDCP training event
- Debbie Brand requested help from anyone available to drive or greet VIPs and PSPs – past state presidents throughout the convention (Wednesday through Saturday).
- Members available to help with registration should contact Julie Eisenhauer at 713-851-4703 or jeisen777@aol.com

**Program**

Regina offered the Founder's Day program with an activity focused on learning more about all the founding members. She followed up the learning opportunity with her annual "fun awards" ceremony.

Meeting adjourned at 11:44am.

**October Birthdays****Regina Williams – Oct. 7****Kathy Froehlich – Oct. 14****Debbie Brand – Oct. 24**

## Year at a Glance

### 2017 – 2018 Chapter Meetings

Date	Location	Hostesses	Inspiration
7 Oct 2017 9:30 am Necrology 10:00 - 11:30 am	Karen Green 16018 Peach Bough Ct. Houston 77095	Executive Board	Martha LaRue
4 Nov 2017 10:00 - 11:30 am	Brenda Paulk 6106 Greenmont Dr. Houston, TX 77092-3336	* <b>Lindsey Krumrine</b> Karen Green Leigh Elizondo Debra Rockefeller	Karen Green
2 Dec 2017 10:00 - 11:30 am	Kathy Froelich 1322 Del Norte St. Houston, TX 77018	* <b>Shirley Moan</b> Bonnie Moore Jane Flinn Regina Williams	Kirbe Montgomery
4 Feb 2018 10:00 - 11:30 am	Gerri Manlove 5003 Oak Forest Dr. Houston, TX 77018-1909	* <b>Nancy Malone</b> Donna Patch Trish Jenkins Toni Maheshwari	Debbie Cowie
10 Mar 2018 10:30 am	Junior League of Houston 1811 Briar Oaks Ln Houston, TX 77027	Social Committee	Jamie Ybarra
1 Apr 2018 9:30 am Initiation 10:00 - 11:30 am	Carol Gillingham 2218 Saxon Drive Houston, TX 77018	* <b>Chauncey Walker</b> Jamie Ybarra Kirbe Montgomery	Ellen Pritchett
6 May 2018 10:00 - 11:30 am	St. Christopher's Episcopalian 1656 Blalock Houston, TX 77080	* <b>Sue Ayers</b> Dede Drexler Martha LaRue	Kathy Froelich

\*Agrees to serve as lead hostess for the meeting

In addition to our monthly Chapter meetings, consider participating in these upcoming events!

89<sup>th</sup> Texas State Convention  
Waco Convention Center  
Waco Texas  
June 14-16, 2018

2018 International Convention  
JW Marriott Austin  
Austin Texas  
July 16-20, 2018



To assist Texas State Organization members who have been affected by the catastrophic events of the final week of August and into September of 2017 related to Hurricane Harvey, TSO is beginning a campaign where all members in the state and other state organizations of DKG can assist members and chapters affected by Hurricane Harvey. Members most impacted live in the TSO Areas 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 18. The plan will have two main components, **Member to Member** and **Campus Helping Hands**. Guidelines of each component are listed below. This program fulfills Purpose number 1 and Purpose number 6 of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

## Member(s) to Member

- Area Coordinators in affected areas will identify lists of members who have a financial impact in any way from the hurricane.
- Area Coordinators in unaffected areas will identify members and groups of members who wish to become an **Encourager** or **encourager group**.
- Each affected member is paired with an **Encourager** or an **encourager group** who agrees to pay DKG dues of \$80 for 2017-2018 year for the member it is "adopting."
- The **Encourager** or **encourager group** continues to send positive messages throughout the year to the adopted member via cards, emails, texts, phone calls and other methods of outreach.
- Michelle Grandinetti and the TSO Programs and Service Projects Committee will coordinate this component of the plan. Grandinetti's email is [mrgrose2014@gmail.com](mailto:mrgrose2014@gmail.com) Address: 1722 Melbourne, Dallas, TX 75224

## Campus Helping Hands

- Area Coordinators in affected areas will identify school campuses impacted by the hurricane.
- Area Coordinators in unaffected areas will compile lists of TSO chapters, DKG chapters or state organizations, and non-DKG groups (civic organizations, church groups, neighborhood groups and others) who wish to adopt a campus or contribute in some way to assist a campus to recover from losses due to Harvey. These groups will be the **Campus Helping Hands**.
- Campuses will be matched with **Helping Hands** who will facilitate the process of getting supplies/donations to the campus.
- Cookee Johnson will coordinate all components of **Campus Helping Hands**. Johnson's email is [acjohnson62@att.net](mailto:acjohnson62@att.net) Address: 4324 FM 1974, Breckenridge, TX 76424

**Hopefully members will consider participating in a state-wide effort to coordinate help for members and schools.**