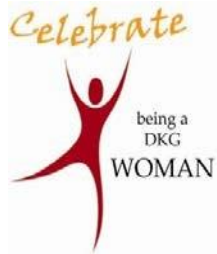


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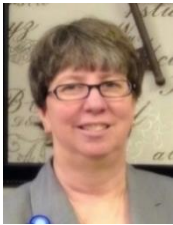
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Dr. Leigh Elizondo

Dear Sisters,

The sisters of Eta Delta embody the attitude of a servant's heart. Together we learn, laugh, and share our time and gifts with others. In July of 2016, I was excited about becoming a chapter leader. I was not sure how I was going to support Eta Delta but many of you offered your help along the way.

Using our complimentary skills and sharing a

common purpose, we came together for a notable two years. Many thanks to each of you for giving me and us the opportunity to succeed. I am grateful for each of you.

*"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act, but a habit" -Aristotle*

*Leigh*

### Next Chapter Meeting

May 5, 2017  
10:00 a.m.

St. Christopher's  
Episcopal Church  
[1656 Blalock Rd.](#)  
[Houston, 77080](#)



## May Meeting

### Food Pantry Donations

Working with the Wesley Center, the Reba Veal Henderson Food Cooperative helps seniors and families maximize their dollar investment and provides health food. Families and seniors pay a small fee to the food assistance program and the program will double their food dollars. Distributions are scheduled every two weeks. **Bring your food donations to support this worthy cause!**

### 2018-2020 Officers

Chapter officers for the next biennium will be inducted: Dede Drexler, President; Karen Green, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Regina Williams, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Shirley Moan, Secretary; Kirbe Montgomery, Parliamentarian; and Debra Rockefeller, Treasurer.

<p><b>Eta Delta 2016-2018 Officers</b>                  Leigh Elizondo – President                  Debbie Brand – First Vice President                  Carol Gillingham – Second Vice President                  Dede Drexler – Secretary                  Nancy Malone – Treasurer                  Kathy Froehlich – Parliamentarian</p>	<p><b>Shirley Felcman Incentive Awards</b>                  Dede Drexler, Donna Patch, Martha LaRue, and Brenda Paulk are the recipients of the Shirley Felcman Incentive Award. This one-time award was made possible by a generous donation from the Felcman family. Each recipient will receive \$300 toward their attendance at the 2018 DKG International Conference and will provide an article for the Eta Delta Data about their experiences.</p>
<p><b>Gillingham Recognized</b>                  Carol Gillingham has been named Teacher of the Year for Eiland Elementary in Klein ISD. Congratulations, Carol!</p>	
<p><b>Eta Delta Submits Annie</b>                  The Texas State Organization’s Programs and Service Project Committee has confirmed that Eta Delta will participate in the Waco Convention Annie Extravaganza. <i>Mindful of Our Sisters Needing</i> will appear alongside other chapters’ projects using an on-going presentation during the banquet.</p> <div data-bbox="241 1318 716 1640" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">  <p>INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  <b>DELTA KAPPA GAMMA</b>                  Texas State Organization  <small>10 chapters in Area 18</small></p> <p><i>Recognizes</i></p> <p><b>Eta Delta Chapter, Area 3</b>                  For Their Annie Extravaganza Slideshow Presentation  <i>"Mindful of Our Sisters Needing"</i>  <small>June 2018</small></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: left;"> <p><small>Dr. Jo Murphy</small> TSO President</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><small>Bridge</small></p> </div> <div style="text-align: right;"> <p><small>Michelle Granitzett</small> Program and Service Project Chair</p> </div> </div> </div>	<p><b>GHACC Votes In New Structure</b>                  Presidents from the chapters represented in the Greater Houston Area Chapter Consortium (GHACC) voted on April 22<sup>nd</sup> to share leadership opportunities by dividing into 4 sub-groups. The goal is to share meeting and workshop responsibilities among all chapters in Areas 3 &amp; 18. Individual chapters have not yet been assigned to a group, but the breakdown will look as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group A: 10 chapters in Area 3</li> <li>• Group B: 10 chapters in Area 18</li> <li>• Group C: 10 chapters in Area 3</li> <li>• Group D: 10 chapters in Area 18</li> </ul> <p>Each of these sub-groups will have a group President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The GHACC Fall workshop will be held at St. Timothy's in Northwest Houston near Willowbrook Mall. The date for the Fall Workshop is still pending. Thanks to Jane Flinn for representing Eta Delta at the April 22 meeting!!</p>

## Meeting Minutes April 7, 2018



9:40 a.m. Initiation of new members Linda Burgess and Carol Steinmetz. The ceremony was led by Leigh Elizondo, Debbie Brand, Jane Flinn and Carol Gillingham. Shown at left: Carol Gillingham and Leigh Elizondo. Pictured below: Leigh Elizondo, Debra Rockefeller, Carol Steinmetz, Linda Burgess and Dede Drexler.

The meeting came to order at 9:55 a.m. Leigh Elizondo thanked Carol Gillingham for opening her home for the meeting. Chauncey Walker was a hostess with Carol. We had 22 members in attendance at the meeting.

Jamie Shipman could not attend the meeting, so Debbie Brand shared an inspiration from Chicken Soup for the Soul – Teacher Tales. The story was based on teachers thinking of leaving the profession. However, the culprit was not teaching, but that people do not value the profession. We need to remember to take care of ourselves. Retirees were reminded to stay abreast and help support those who are doing the job we used to do.

### Minutes

Nancy Malone recommended corrections to the February minutes. The date needed to be changed to February 3 as the correct date and member attendance recorded in the minutes. Jane Flinn reported 20 members were in attendance at the February meeting along with 1 guest and 10 members were absent. Under Unfinished Business, the recommendation was to note the motion passed on the funds for the Shirley Felcman Participation Incentive. Jane Flinn moved that the corrected minutes be accepted and Kathy Froelich seconded the motion. The minutes with these changes passed unanimously.



### Treasurer's & Membership Reports

Nancy Malone provided the Treasurer's Report and it was filed. Jane Flinn shared that following initiation of the new members, Eta Delta had 34 active members and 4 reserve members--totaling 38 members.

**Minutes (con't.)****President's Report**

Leigh Elizondo shared the following updates or reminders:

- Eta Delta has received the Yearbook Award – Debbie Cowie, chair.
- GHACC hosting a reception for Dr. Jo Murphy, TSO President, on April 22, 2018, from 2-4 p.m. Those planning to attend: Jane Flinn, Brenda Paulk and Carol Gillingham.
- TSO 89<sup>th</sup> convention, June 14-16, 2018, Waco, TX.
- 2018 DKG International Convention, July 16-20, Austin, TX.
- Annie Presentation Submission Completed – Debbie Brand
- Wesley Center Food Drive – bring items from option list, Jane Flinn will have her trunk ready to take the food items as we park for our May meeting
- Meeting in May – short meeting, installation of officers, Awards and Founder's Day presentations with Regina Williams, inspiration from Kathy Froelich.

**Unfinished Business**

Bonnie Moore discussed the Shirley Felcman Participation Incentive for the International Convention. The application was originally available through April 1, 2018, and two people had applied. The application deadline was extended to the Monday following the meeting. Bonnie moved that the funds for the incentive be divided equally among those who apply. Brenda Paulk seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**New Business**

Kathy Froelich asked about those members who have received the Chapter Achievement Award. The following members have received the award: Jane Flinn, Debbie McCart, Donna Patch, and Martha LaRue.

A question was asked about the Scholarship committee, Debbie McCart, chair, and who would receive the first timer scholarship for state convention.

Bonnie Moore brought up state committees and having Eta Delta members joining and participating more. The committees change every 2 years, so the next time to apply is 2019. She encouraged us to get on state committees and that they meet only 2 to 3 times a year.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

**Program: Women in the Arts**

Bonnie Moore and Brenda Paulk shared information about Women in the Arts. This was a new committee approved in 2017 at the Texas State Organization (TSO) Convention in Houston. Its purpose is to encourage involvement in all aspects of the arts by members of TSO. The Women in the Arts Committee is a part of the Educational Excellence Committee; it sponsors two annual events:

- STAR (Spectacular Texas Arts Retreat)
- Creative Arts Exhibit



STAR, held on Martin Luther King weekend each year at Camp Allen in Navasota, requires no specific skills to attend. At left, Bonnie Moore shares a YouTube video from a recent STAR Workshop. Bonnie and Brenda also displayed samples of their completed projects.

TSO's **Creative Arts Exhibit** at state conventions features original pieces of decorative and traditional art from all genres. Bonnie encouraged members to submit creations for display at this year's convention.

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The program concluded with members joining Bonnie and Brenda in singing fun, DKG themed songs.

## **President's Memory 2016-2018**

### **Fall 2016**

The biennium kicked off with the Area 3 Workshop in October. Pat Bumpass, Area 3 Coordinator, gave the 1<sup>st</sup> annual award of an antique school bell to Eta Delta for having the most members attend from a single chapter. Eta Delta sisters participated in various sessions to improve their chapter work. Four Eta Delta members provided technology support for all area attendees. November and December activities focused on making Blankets of Love and saving toiletries to share with Father Capper and Lord of the Streets (LOTS). LOTS provides necessities for persons who are homeless in the greater Houston area. The Red Box Program for Schools for Africa was continued.

Linda Jackson joined Eta Delta. Eta Delta members purchased group shirts to wear at meetings and for the upcoming convention. We had 36 total members at the end of December 2016; 31 active and 5 reserve members.

### **Spring 2017**

Members had the opportunity to purchase shirts for chapter meetings and easy visual recognition at the Texas Convention. Shirts were red and embroidered white rose.

Spring programs included a Legislative Update, Habitat for Humanity, Founder's Day Celebration, and Chapter Awards. A food drive was held for the Wesley Center. Our 54<sup>th</sup> Birthday Luncheon celebration was held at the Junior League of Houston. Red boxes for Africa were collected and members enjoyed the Junior League's famous orange bread as a starter, delicious raspberry slushes for our birthday toast, and yummy pecan balls for dessert. In April, members Jane Flinn, Dede Drexler, and Donna Patch met at Claughton Middle School to present the Lone Star Books donation. Members enjoyed the Founder's Day Celebration and chapter awards in May.

Three new members, Jaime Ybarra, Chauncey Walker, and Linda Burgess, were introduced to the membership and initiated into the chapter. 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

### **Summer 2017**

The DKG State Convention was held in Houston 2017. Bonnie Moore was a convention co-chair, Jane Flinn assisted with publicity, and at least 15 other members attended and assisted by meeting people at the airport, working as personal contacts for presenters, providing a welcoming reception for conference attendees, facilitating sessions, and helping with other happenings behind the scenes. Chapter member Shirley Moan also presented at this convention. Our chapter celebrated previous years success by gaining multiple recognitions: the Annie Award for our work with the Lord of the Streets; The Presidential Award for Chapter

**President's Memory (con't.)**

Excellence (PACE); Exemplary Newsletter; Website; and Yearbook. This convention was very successful and well represented by Eta Delta. In addition, Bonnie attended the Southwest Regional Convention in Hawaii.

**Fall 2017**

In the Fall of 2017, our first meeting was cancelled due to Hurricane Harvey. Four members, Carol Gillingham, Martha LaRue, Debra Rockefeller, and Leigh Elizondo received damage to personal property. Texas State Organization offered affected members assistance through the Member to Member network. This disaster was so extensive that the Area 3 GHACC President reception and meeting was also cancelled and not expected to be rescheduled. It is hoped that another reception can be made available.

Fall programs included Schools for Africa and the Red Box Initiative, The Effect of Bullying, and Taking Care of New Teachers. New teachers were selected and invited to the December meeting to be honored and presented with a \$50 gift card. This project will be our focus for the Annie Presentation. Claughton Middle School in Spring ISD continued to receive the Lone Star Book donation for this biennium. In addition, Bonnie Moore attended the Latin American Conference in Antigua, Guatemala in October.

**Spring 2018**

In the spring of 2018, Eta Delta voted to use the funds donated by the family of Shirley Felcman to enhance the learning of our members through DKG conference participation. A one-time scholarship application became available for up to 6 members to attend the International DKG Convention in Austin.

Our 55<sup>th</sup> Birthday Luncheon was held at the Junior League of Houston. DKG Texas Area 3 Coordinator, Denise Charleston, discussed area happenings and updates. Two representatives from Claughton Middle School, Demonica Amerson, Principal and Donna Maher, Librarian attended and shared how they will use the Lone Star books given by Eta Delta to enhance student learning.

Two new members, Linda Burgess and Carol Steinmetz, were introduced to the membership and initiated into the chapter. Spring programs included a Legislative Update, DKG Women in the Arts, Founder's Day Celebration, and our Chapter Awards.

At a reception hosted by GHACC, Dr. Jo Murphy, TSO President, addressed members on April 22, 2018 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Pasadena. Jane Flinn represented Eta Delta.

Our final meeting included the induction of the 2018-20 chapter officers: Dede Drexler, President; Karen Green, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Regina Williams, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Shirley Moan, Secretary; Kirbe Montgomery, Parliamentarian; and Debra Rockefeller, Treasurer. Members

**President’s Memory (con’t.)**

participated in the food drive to benefit the Wesley Center/Reba Veal Henderson Food Cooperative and chapter awards were celebrated.

Members were encouraged to attend the 89th Texas State Convention held at the Waco Convention Center in Waco, Texas June 14-16, 2018 and the 2018 International Convention JW Marriott Austin in Austin, Texas to be held July 16-20, 2018. Bonnie Moore applied and was accepted to the International Leadership Conference to be held this summer in Austin.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh A. Elizondo, Ph.D.  
 President, Eta Delta 2016-2018  
 May 5, 2018

*Upcoming Birthdays*

Berta Deleza (reserve) May 25th	Carol Gillingham June 15th  Jane Hall June 18th  Debbie Elrod June 27 <sup>th</sup>  Shirley Cousins (reserve) June 28th	Leigh Elizondo July 15th  Jane Flinn July 24th  Martha LaRue July 28th	Brenda Paulk August 3rd  Lindsey Krumrine August 8th  Donna Patch August 16th
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*Christmas in May*Food Pantry Donations (*bring to May meeting*)

## Canned goods – pop top lids preferred

	Meals in a can (stew, chili)
	Low sodium soups
	Canned meats: tuna, chicken, salmon, spam, Vienna sausages
	Canned fruit in its own juice or water (no sugar added)
	Low-sodium canned vegetables (corn, beans—green, pinto, black, kidney; diced tomatoes, etc.)

## Other suggested Items – NO JARS

	Rice
	Dry beans (pinto, navy, etc.)
	Spaghetti, pasta, egg noodles
	Spaghetti sauce (cans)
	Instant potatoes
	Macaroni & cheese
	Peanut butter
	Jelly
	Low-sugar whole grain cereals like Cheerios
	Saltine crackers
	Healthy snacks (granola bars, low-salt popcorn, unsalted nuts, dried fruit)