



# Epsilon Psi Newsletter

Epsilon Psi Chapter (#143), Area III, Baytown  
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## MISSION

### STATEMENT:

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

## VISION

### STATEMENT:

Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.

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## President's Message by: Kristen Davis



Kristen Davis  
President 2020-2022

Dear Sisters,

Spring is near! I hope you are as excited as I am about this. I cannot wait to see the flowers bloom again.

Thank you for your participation in our book review sharing.

I learned about many books that I want to read. I sure miss you ladies, but it looks like we might get to meet in the near future.

This month we will still be virtual. Lori May, Director of Safe Schools in Barbers Hill, will be sharing info on the many tools schools use to help stay ahead of safety concerns. If you have been out of the school setting for a little while, you will not want to miss

learning about what schools are doing to keep our students safe. The Santa Fe tragedy was a little close to home, and many districts have implemented many new protocols for safety. Tune in to our Zoom meeting to learn all about it!

With the tragedies that led up to our safety protocols, happened this last year during Covid, and occurred in addition to the pandemic, it makes me realize how important every day is. I read a quote recently: "Never regret a day in your life: good days give happiness, bad days give experience, worst days give lessons, and best days give memories." I treasure every day that I can call you my friend!

Love,  
Kristen

## Next Meeting:

March 25, 2021

5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Program: *"The Keys to Student Safety"*

Lori May, Safe Schools Coordinator in Barbers Hill ISD, will present different layers of safety that schools are implementing to ensure our students are safe.

Kristen Davis [davisk0928@gmail.com](mailto:davisk0928@gmail.com)  
and Alicia Brooks [asbrooks77@gmail.com](mailto:asbrooks77@gmail.com), editors



News from  
Alpha State  
and  
International



## Web Watch: International

International President, Becky Sadowski talks about the status of the Headquarters building and latest updates. <https://youtu.be/zz3YOY771Fw>



## Web Watch: Alpha State

**June 17 - 19, 2021**  
**Denton Convention Center**  
**Denton, Texas**

Registration for the DKG Convention in Denton must be postmarked by May 15th. Don't forget to register at <https://dkgtexas2021convention.weebly.com/>



# Hospitality and Other News:

Please let JoAnn Short know of any hospitality news.

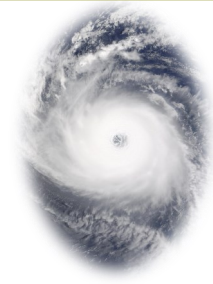
- We express our sincere sympathy to Joyce Cloudt on the death of her husband Roy. Carolyn Francis will email his obituary to us.
- Lisa McBride had quadruple bypass surgery last night, so we will keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

## April Meeting:

**April 22, 2021**  
**Thursday, 5 p.m.**  
**Location: Zoom**

Program: *"Preparation Is the Key: Hurricane Preparedness"*

Ryan Holzaphfel from the City of Mont Belvieu will help the group prepare for the upcoming hurricane season.



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Epsilon Psi Chapter  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Thursday, February 25, 2021

The Epsilon Psi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Kristen Davis using the Zoom format. Roll was taken by Carolyn Francis with 13 members being present. Laura Kellner gave the Collect, and Ruth Blake led members in the Response.

**Old Business:**

- The January minutes were approved as printed in the February newsletter.
- The Treasurer's report for January printed in the February newsletter was approved and will be filed for audit.

**New Business:**

- President Kristen Davis conducted the business meeting. She is hopeful that we are recovering from the problems caused by the recent difficult freeze. Many homes in our area were damaged from broken pipes. If you need help with freeze related recovery, Kristen has information on how to apply for assistance that Delta Kappa Gamma is offering to members.

**Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:**

- Carolyn Francis announced the form to remit dues is attached to the newsletter. Dues need to be paid before May 31, 2021.
- Lori May, Safe Schools Coordinator for Barbers Hill ISD, will present the March program. Lori will present different layers of safety that schools are implementing to ensure our students are safe. Our March meeting will be a Zoom meeting.

**Reports of Special Committees:**

- We express our sincere sympathy to Joyce Cloudt on the death of her husband Roy. Carolyn Francis will email his obituary to us.
- Lisa McBride had quadruple bypass surgery last night, so we will keep her in our thoughts and prayers.
- Happy March birthday wishes to Tommie Glynn Clark, Laurie Currie, and Rachel Warren.

**Program:**

- Jamie Eustace from The Sterling Municipal Library, who was scheduled to present current popular book reviews, was called on to be present at a City Council meeting. In her absence, members in attendance shared a recent read they enjoyed or their own personal favorite book. We enjoyed the interchange of ideas and recommendations for spring break and summer reading.
- With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. Ruth Blake led us in the singing of "The Delta Kappa Gamma Song".

Richie Butler, Recording Secretary

Kristen Davis, President



## Happy Birthday!

### March

2 Tommye Glynn Clark  
23 Laurie Curry  
31 Rachel Warren

### April

5 Meredith Durham  
25 Suzi Powers

## Treasurer's Report



|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Balance, March 1, 2021 .....                | \$3,268.28  |
| Receipts .....                              | 376.00      |
| Total Available .....                       | \$3,644.28  |
| Disbursements.....                          | 0.00        |
| Balance, March 11, 2021.....                | \$3,644.28  |
| Amegy Bank of Texas Savings:                |             |
| General Fund.....                           | \$3,008.91  |
| Grants-in-Aid.....                          | 6,053.99    |
| Convention Incentive.....                   | 8,245.99    |
| Scholarship Fund .....                      | 6,760.58    |
| Savings Balance, March 11, 2021.....        | \$24,069.47 |
| Total Funds Available, March 11, 2021 ..... | \$27,713.75 |

## Perfect Attendance

### PERFECT ATTENDANCE

The success of a good DKG chapter depends upon the commitment of its members. The Executive Board has planned programs that should be of interest to everyone, but programs cannot be successful if the members do not attend the meetings. Won't you commit to making Epsilon Psi one of the best chapters in the state of Texas? Commit 1 hour the fourth Tuesday of each month to Epsilon Psi by attending and participating in its Zoom meetings, activities and service projects.

The following members have perfect attendance for 2020-2021: Alicia Brooks, Kristen Davis, and Carolyn Francis. If you think you had perfect attendance and your name was omitted, contact Carolyn Francis, crfranci@me.com or 281-427-5930.

### Attendance Watch

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| August.....     | 14 = 31.11%    |
| September ..... | 25 = 55.56%    |
| October .....   | 20 = 44.44%    |
| November .....  | 14 = 31.11%    |
| December .....  | 11 = 24.44%    |
| January .....   | 18 = 40.00%    |
| February .....  | 13 = 28.89%    |
| Average .....   | 16.43 = 36.51% |

## Spring Dues Collection Begins Soon

Treasurer Carolyn Francis is now collecting dues for 2021-2022. If you need to pay dues in installments, please see Carolyn to make arrangements. A dues form is included on p. 5 of this newsletter.

## 2020-2022 Epsilon Psi Chapter Officers

**Kristen Davis**, President  
**Alicia Brooks**, First Vice President  
**JoAnn Short**, Second Vice President  
**Richie Butler**, Recording Secretary  
**Julie Kellner**, Corresponding Secretary  
**Carolyn Francis**, Treasurer  
**Kathryn Wright**, Parliamentarian  
**JoAnn Short**, Immed. Past President

Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_

### 2021-2022 EPSILON PSI DUES

Please complete the following form and return it with your check to:

Mrs. Carolyn Francis, 2104 Buchanan Drive, Baytown, TX 77520-5607

Check only those items for which you are paying. Please pay ASAP. **Total amount is due no later than May 31.**

|  |         |             |
|--|---------|-------------|
| Active Member Dues and Fees  | \$93.00 | _____       |
| Reserve Member Dues and Fees   | 45.00   | _____       |
| Grant-in-Aid and Scholarship Funds   | 20.00   | _____ 20.00 |
| Chapter Newsletter Subscription (\$12 for members preferring a printed copy) |         | _____       |
| A Storybook Christmas Donation   |         | _____       |
| Gift to Chapter  |         | _____       |
| Total amount of check  |         | \$ _____    |

***You may pay with one check made payable to "Epsilon Psi."***

Name of Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Member's Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code (9 digits): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Permission to publish Yes No

Home Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Permission to publish Yes No

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Permission to publish Yes No

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject/Grade Level/Current Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

(Chapter Profile purposes) (Month) (Date) (Year)

Approximate Year Entered Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_

Degrees Held: " Bachelor " Master " Doctor " Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Publication Permission Form

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