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STATEMENT:

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

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Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.

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JoAnn Short,
President 2018-2020

President's Message by: JoAnn Short

Dear Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters,

As I reflect on the past month and our precious society, two words come to mind... "YOU MATTER!" These are simple words with such significance! They can change so much in your mindset and your motivation. They can set a purpose and spark energy that you might not know you even have. These words can inspire and give hope! The word matter's origin actually is one that means substance. You are the substance of our organization and the impact we are making in our community! As Angela Maier says, "You have a contribution to make! You have a gift that others need and your actions define your impact.... You matter!" That was evident when we had our "chapter checkup" with Jane Flinn! Our

chapter is making a difference! I am blessed by each of you and your commitment to the mission of our chapter!

We have the opportunity to show our new members they matter and welcome them with our induction at our October meeting! Your fellowship and attendance makes a difference and is encouraging to others. Our October meeting will be held on Thursday, October 24th, at Rollingbrook Fellowship Church. Fellowship will begin at 5:00pm. The meeting will follow at 5:30pm. We will induct our new members and play the M & M Game to get to Meet our Marvelous Members! Bring unique, fun tales to share with us! We can't wait to hear all about YOU! You won't want to miss it! Please call a member who hasn't been able to attend and let them know they matter and have been missed! Also, remember to bring canned goods to donate to the Rollingbrook Fellowship Food Pantry. Looking forward to seeing each of you!

Sincerely,
JoAnn Short

Next Meeting: October 24th

October 24, 2019
Rollingbrook Fellowship Church,
Baytown
5:00 p.m. Fellowship
5:30 p.m. Meeting
M & M Game (Meet our Marvelous Members)

Epsilon Psi members will build closer relationships with each other by playing the M & M game.

Hostesses: Carolyn Francis, chairman; Carolyn Florus, Juanita Hatfield, Dewolyn Hullum

Please remember to bring canned goods for Rollingbrook Fellowship's Food Pantry.

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News from
Alpha State
and
International



Upcoming Projects

November: We will donate stuffed animals to the local police and fire departments.

December: We will bring baby items to donate to the daycare at Peter Hyland Center.

Monthly: Project Graduation; Food Pantry for Rollingbrook Fellowship Church



Web Watch: International

Take a little time to answer the one question survey on the DKG International site.

DKGNext 2019 met in Austin recently and created a “Do Tank” list which includes lots of activities to share their Think Tank experience. You can look forward to seeing and hearing their experiences in workshops, blogs, articles, and convention.

Web Watch: Alpha State

<http://dkgtexasphotos.weebly.com/>

The link above will lead you to the great photos from the TSO 90th Convention in Arlington.

There are two volumes of the Convention Key on dkgtexas.org to help you start making plans for the 91st TSO Convention in McAllen.

Hospitality and Other News:

Please keep Laura and Julie Kellner and family in your prayers for the passing of Milton Kellner.

Judi Craig is undergoing treatments for lymphoma. Prayers are lifted for successful treatments for her.

Carolyn Florus and her husband Don have both been diagnosed with cancer. Her son Robert has completed his cancer treatments and is in remission. Praying for healing for the Florus family.

Shirley Wright is recovering from a broken hip at The Village@Gleannloch, 9505 Northpointe, Room 117, Spring, TX 77379. Prayers for a quick recovery.

Please let Joan Mangum know of any hospitality news.

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Project Graduation



Members are to bring monetary donations for Project Graduation benefiting the three Goose Creek high schools.

The following individuals will furnish the raffle prizes for the **October** meeting: Joan Mangum, chairman; Judy Abshier, Ruth Blake, Alicia Brooks.

If you cannot attend the meeting, please give your prize to another Epsilon Psi member who will be in attendance.

Clip art is from Microsoft Office.

November Meeting:

November 15, 2019
Thursday, 5 p.m.
Rollingbrook Fellowship
Church
505 Rollingbrook Drive
Baytown

*The Key to Staying Clear
of Scams*

Assistant Chief David
Alford from the Baytown
Police Department will
present an informative
session on scams and
fraud prevention.

Please remember to bring
your canned goods to the
meeting.

Hostesses: Ruth Blake, chair-
man; Alicia Brooks, Shelley
Deakle, Debbie Denson, Ginger
McKay



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Epsilon Psi Chapter
Minutes of the Meeting
Thursday, September 26, 2019

Prior to the meeting the chapter officers met with Area 3 Coordinator, Jane Flinn. It was for a chapter wellness review.

The Epsilon Psi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International meeting was held at Rollingbrook Fellowship Church, Baytown, TX. Epsilon Psi President JoAnn Short called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the secretary being present. There was a quorum present. The Chapter Collect and Response were led by Juanita Hatfield.

The minutes from September were printed in the newsletter and approved as printed. The treasurer's report was also printed in the newsletter and filed for audit.

Thanks to hostesses Kathryn Wright, Kristen Davis, Debbie Denson and Laurie Curry for the delicious snacks that were provided during our fellowship time.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees

Richie Butler, chairman of the Service Projects committee, reported the school supplies from the August meeting were distributed to Ashbel Smith Elementary.

Julie Kellner, A Storybook Christmas chairman, reported that the joint committee would meet and decide on which book to buy. A Storybook Christmas received \$50 from our chapter to help with the funding. The money was in recognition of those members who had perfect attendance.

At the current time we have three possible inductees for membership. Judi Mitchell is chairman of the Membership Committee.

Laura Kellner reported that Judi Craig was being treated for lymphoma. She also reported that Shirley Wright broke her hip and is currently in rehabilitation in Spring. Both she and Bobby are there because their daughter is taking care of them.

New Business

Carolyn Francis distributed Epsilon Psi 2019-2020 yearbooks. She requested money for the pig if members forgot to wear their DKG pins.

After the induction of new members next month, the program will be *M & M Game*.

Hostesses for next month will be Carolyn Francis, chairman; Carolyn Florus, Juanita Hatfield and Dewolyn Hullum.

Project Graduation prizes will be from Joan Mangum, chairman; Judy Abshier, Ruth Blake and Alicia Brooks. The raffle tickets are \$2.

Program

The members played the DKG Quiz Game. Members were divided into four teams, captains Richie Butler, Laura Kellner, Donna Mohlman and Debbie Denson. Judi Mitchell, Carolyn Francis and Kathryn Wright were the moderators. Questions were asked related to the history of DKG and Epsilon Psi. This was one of the best programs because all members were actively involved. The winner was the Laura Kellner team. Area 3 Coordinator Jane Flinn stated that this program was why we had a healthy chapter. It was a very enjoyable time.

Project Graduation raffle tickets were drawn. Thanks to Judi Mitchell, chairman, Donna Mohlman and Laura Smith for the raffle prizes.

The meeting ended with the singing of "The Delta Kappa Gamma Song" at 6:22 p.m.

Happy Birthday!

October

- 1 Jean Lee
- 11 Elma Villanueva
- 16 Michelle Verdun
- 21 Shelley Deakle
- 28 Annette Harrison
- 29 Mary Cooling

November

- 7 Joyce Cloudt
- 25 Joan Mangum
- 26 Juanita Hatfield



Treasurer's Report

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| Balance, October 1, 2019 | \$5,356.01 |
| Receipts | <u>50.20</u> |
| Total Available..... | \$5,406.21 |
| Disbursements..... | <u>0.00</u> |
| Balance, October 9, 2019 | \$5,406.21 |
| Amegy Bank of Texas Savings: | |
| General Fund | \$ 2,958.22 |
| Scholarship Fund | <u>17,548.58</u> |
| Savings Balance, Oct. 9, 2019 | \$20,506.80 |
| Total Funds Available, Oct. 9, 2019 | \$25,913.01 |



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 1½ hours the fourth Thursday of each month to Epsilon Psi by attending and participating in its meetings, activities and service projects. This year our fellowship time begins at 5pm, and our meetings begin at 5:30pm.

The following members have perfect attendance for 2019-2020: Ruth Blake, Richie Butler, Tommye Glynn Clark, Joyce Cloudt, Karen Coffey, Carolyn Florus, Carolyn Francis, De-wolyn Hullum, Julie Kellner, Laura Kellner, Judi Mitchell,

Donna Mohlman and Kathryn Wright. If you think you had perfect attendance and your name was omitted, contact Carolyn Francis, crfranci@me.com or 281-427-5930.

Attendance Watch for PACE Award

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| August | 14 = 29.79% |
| September..... | 22 = 46.81% |
| Average | 18 = 38.30% |

YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION

Yearbook Chairman Carolyn Francis will have the yearbooks available at the October meeting. If you cannot be present, please plan to have someone pick up your yearbook for you.

2018-2020 Epsilon Psi Chapter Officers

JoAnn Short, President
Julie Kellner, First Vice President
Judi Mitchell, Second Vice President
Carolyn Florus, Recording Secretary
Joyce Cloudt, Corresponding Secretary
Carolyn Francis, Treasurer
Kathryn Wright, Parliamentarian
Julie Kellner, Immed. Past President