



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™

Psi State

Alpha Iota Chapter

August 2016

Members Plan for 2016-2018

Our planning meeting on July 12 was very productive. Thank you to Linda Holcomb for welcoming us to her very lovely home. Discussion focused on service, education and social events for the upcoming biennium. All the ideas presented in this newsletter are slated for review at our October 8 chapter meeting, so please plan to attend.

Mission Statement

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

Service Areas

Literacy - A number of ideas are up for adoption to support Clayton County Public School's "Reading in All Seasons" Campaign.

Books for Classroom Libraries – Each member would bring at least one children's book to each chapter meeting to be donated to an elementary school classroom.

Reading at Southlake Mall – Promote literacy in the community, coordinate with mall management.

Letter Writing – Support literacy curriculum through a pen pal program with 4th or 5th grade students.

Free Libraries – Set up crates with books in laundromats or doctor's offices, write grants & build partnerships to create free libraries within the community.

Women

Purses with a Purpose – Teams of members would fill a purse with essentials for a woman who has found safety in a shelter.

Clothing Drive – The Zaban Couples Center was so appreciative of our donation, we would like to assist them again.

Children

Schools for Liberia – Continue our support.

Other Possibilities – Donations to Rainbow House or A Friend's House, Pillowcase Dresses

Education & Social Events

In speaking to members prior to the planning meeting, some expressed satisfaction with our previous chapter meetings and programs. Others suggested that monthly events would provide more time to bond with chapter members. In addition, it would give those who cannot attend Saturday morning events an opportunity to participate. A number of field trip ideas were shared and the following activities are available:

Monthly Events

Dinner & Discussion: August 19 (Friday) Dinner at 6 pm, Taste of Thailand, 8562 Tara Blvd, Discuss positives and challenges of the new school year and get advice from seasoned educators in the chapter.

Dinner & Program: September 19 (Monday) – Carpool at 5 pm, Dinner at the Varsity, [Gracias Christmas Cantata](#) at the Fox Theatre, 7 pm (Debbie said this program is fantastic!)

Dinner & Discussion: November 10 (Thursday) – Dinner at 6 pm, Monterrey Mexican Restaurant, 6590 Tara Blvd, Share your favorite holiday recipe and traditions.

Dinner & Program: December 9 (Friday) – Dinner at Golden Corral in Jonesboro (19/41) at 5 pm and the Christmas program at First Baptist Church in Jonesboro at 7 pm.

Dinner & Concert: January 21 (Saturday) – Dinner at 6:00 pm, Rocky's Cafe, 2262 Lake Harbin Road, Teacher Appreciation Concert at Spivey Hall, 7:30 pm, Performer: Tammy McCann, Free.

Chapter Meetings

October 8 – Morrow United Methodist Church

9:00 – Prospective member brunch

9:30 - Social

10:00 – Legislative Update, Elyse Boylston Grant Update, Set up MyDKG profiles, Initiate Officers, Chapter Business

12:00 – Taco Bar by Moe's Southwest Grill, \$10, RSVP with meat choice (chicken or ground beef) by September 30

December 3 - Morrow United Methodist Church

9:00 – Set up silent auction

9:30 – Social

10:00 – 80 Year Psi State Founders Ceremony, New Member Initiation, Silent Auction, Chapter Business, Christmas Carols

11:45 – Lunch Catered by Shane's Rib Shack, \$12.00, RSVP by November 18

February 4 – Taste of Thailand, 8562 Tara Blvd., Jonesboro

10:00 – Set up Purses with a Purpose Display, Prospective Member Info

10:30 – International Perspective on Education by Debbie Bhanojirow and Vance Wallace, Food Demo by Sida Cordoba, Chapter Business

12:00 - Lunch

May 6 – Mesquite Mexican Grill, 835 Industrial Blvd. McDonough (Hwy 20)
10:00 – Chapter Business, Initiation of New Members, Collect Clothing for Zaban Couples Center
11:30 – Lunch
1:00 – Tour of Noah's Ark, Locust Grove

2016-2018 Officers

President – Cheryl Goff
1st Vice President – Debbie Bhanojirow
2nd Vice President – Anita Thomaston
Recording Secretary – Kathy Acree
Corresponding Secretary – Martha Tolcher
Treasurer – Debra Anderson
Parliamentarian – Bonnie Strohm
Past President – Laura Michelle Woods

2016-2017 Dues

Debra must send dues to DKG by October 31.
The breakdown for dues is:

- International - \$40
- State - \$10
- Scholarship - \$1
- Chapter Expenses - \$19
(anticipated amount for meeting rooms, postage, notecards, contributions at state events, copies, flowers for ceremonies)

Total - \$70

You may pay dues in one of the following ways:

- Full Amount without meals (pay at meeting) - \$70
- Full Amount with 2 catered meals - \$92
- ½ Dues in October/ ½ dues in December without meals (pay at meeting) - \$3



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Reserve Members: \$24

(\$20 International, \$4 State)



Happy Jar

At each meeting, we will pass around a “happy jar.” With a donation to Schools for Liberia, you may share some great news with the group. Brag about your grandchildren, share good news, or a funny story.