



Psi Chapter Chatter

The Mission of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and Psi Chapter is to promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Louisiana Recipe for DKG Success: Teamwork, Leadership, and Communication

Message from Mary Anne

I hope that you have had a good summer and Labor Day. Mark your calendar for next Tuesday – September 12 – the second Tuesday of the month for our first meeting of the year. This meeting will include an initiation of a new member. Our meeting will be at the Council on Aging in Many at 4:30.

I'm looking forward to a new year of Psi Chapter. Most of you have responded to my latest email announcing the date of our first meeting of the year. The executive members met and have an exciting year planned. We have based the programs on theme for the year "**Louisiana Recipe for DKG Success: Teamwork, Leadership, and Communication**".

Teamwork –all of our Psi sisters working together, making suggestions, attending the meetings, volunteering, etc. I could go on and on. I hope to use Facebook as one way that we communicate along with email, snail mail, text, and telephone.

As I sit here writing this note, I'm overwhelmed with the generosity of people in the wake of Harvey and its flooding. I'm also apprehensive about Hurricane Irma and its magnitude and the uncertainty of land fall. I'm praying that this hurricane will just die before it hits the USA.

Please plan to attend the first meeting on Tuesday, Sept 12.

Mary Anne

Florence Amy Emergency Fund – Did you suffer from flooding from the recent hurricane? If so you can apply for emergency help. The form is on the Epsilon Website. Also you can also apply for help from International.

[International Scholarship Applications Now Available!](#) Going back for a higher degree??? The Heat is On! Rise to the top by applying for a DKG international scholarship -- \$6,000 toward earning an advanced degree and \$10,000 toward a doctoral degree. The international scholarship application is now online for awards to be presented for the 2018-2019 academic year. Just go to www.dkg.org, click on **Forms**, go to the **Application** link, and find the application link at the bottom of the page. Start the process today. The deadline is February 1, 2018 to submit the application and all supporting documentation. Be sure to follow the directions carefully and complete all sections of the application. Our committee looks forward to reading your outstanding application next February!

State Scholarships are also available and this year you can apply for reimbursement for a Praxis test – all information is on the Epsilon Website.

Birthdays

July

Phyllis Lee, 13

August

Bianca Word, 5

Sharon Ebarb, 6

Barbara Peterson, 9

Lauren Johnson, 18

Mona Sepulvado, 21

Mia Curtis, 25

Ginger Jordan, 29

Diane Hatcher, 30

September

Lady Patton, 29

Central District Meeting Information

Sat. Sept. 30, 2017;
8:30 AM sign-in,
9:00 program begins

@ Nolley Memorial
United Methodist
Church 2239 E. Oak
Street, Jena, LA

Deadline to register:
September 21, 2017
Registration form
attached.

Please bring a canned
or nonperishable food
item for the Weekend
Backpack Program for
School Children

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Sept 12 - Many 1

2017 Central District Meeting –
September 30, 2017 at Jena, LA

Oct 10 - Many 2

Nov 14 – 6 PM Converse/PH

Jan 9 - Many 3

Feb 13 - Officers

March 13 – Zwolle

2018 Epsilon State Convention -
March 16-18, Marriott Hotel, Baton
Rouge

Welcome to our new members:

Bianca Word – teaches 2nd grade at Many Elementary.
All students can learn with the right guidance and support. It is
my job to give them that guidance and support.

Sharon Patty Ebarb – Husband Johnny Wayne Ebarb,
daughter Joanna Page, son Joseph Page, two grandsons
Jaden and Kason Page; enjoys quilting, painting, and
traveling; retired this year from Converse High School

Lauren Johnson - Husband and 2 children; loves to read
and shop; teaches 2nd grade at Zwolle Elementary School

Hilary Remedies - Husband-Toby Remedies, a two year old
daughter, Emersyn and Penelope born in April; enjoys being
outdoors with her family; teaches 3rd grade at Many Elem.
School

Spotlight from *DKG News*, Sept/Oct. 2017

“Broadening our vision of ‘active’ membership
by Carolyn Pittman

As we begin a new year in Delta Kappa Gamma,
we will be searching for prospective members.
This article gave guidance in how we look at
commitment to DKG, creative means of
communication, and ways to engage various age
and interest levels. It is not a long article but it is
packed with quality information. You might want to
check it out if you haven’t already.

Be on the lookout for new members!!!

Don't Forget!!!

**Dues are due and can be paid at
our meeting Tuesday or mailed to
Becky Loupe @
P.O Box 918, Zwolle, La. 71486**

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**Please bring a canned or boxed
nonperishable food for the LCOA
Food Closet to our DKG meetings.**

Epsilon state website – epsilonstatedkg.org

Psi Chapter website – psichapterdkg.com



Jewelry DKG Jewelry – If you are interested in
purchasing a member’s pin or any other DKG Jewelry –
you can go to dkg.org – click on the “forms” tab and
then the Award Concepts Order – you will find the order
forms.

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Pack the Pantry Weekend Backpack Program

EPSILON STATE PROJECT 2017-2019

Districts will need to locate one or more schools in their area that participate in the Weekend Backpack program. Notify the school program administrator and he/she will give you a list of non-perishable items and backpacks that he/she needs for students who might otherwise not eat from lunch on Friday until breakfast on Monday. Each district can provide backpacks, food, and/or monetary gifts to the schools. Each chapter will be notified by their District Director as to which items their chapter should bring to the district meeting.

Attention chapter members: If you know of a school in your area that has this weekend backpack program and needs help, please contact your District Director.

This is such a worthwhile program and I know that none of us wants any child to be hungry because when he/she is hungry, he/she cannot achieve to his/her potential in school.

Pack the Pantry – Suggested List

This is a list of items one school needs for their backpacks. This is just a suggested list. Other things are welcomed. They also take monetary gifts along with new or gently used backpacks.

- Peanut butter/jelly (in plastic jars)
- Box of 8 individual oatmeal
- Fruit cups
- Canned vegetables
- Raisins
- Canned Spaghetti, ravioli, etc.
- Macaroni and cheese
- Canned meat (tuna, chili, Vienna sausages, chicken, etc.)
- Juice boxes
- Individual boxes of cereal
- Peanut butter crackers/cheese crackers
- Pudding snacks
- Canned soup
- Canned spaghetti sauce
- 1 pound bags of rice
- Spaghetti
- Pop-tarts, cereal bars
- Bars of soap
- Toothpaste/toothbrushes
- Small bottles of shampoo