



# “The Capsule”

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Psi State, Alpha Delta Chapter  
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## 2014 – 2015 Meeting Schedule

Thursday, November 12, 2015 - Grady Co.  
Thursday, February 11, 2016 - Thomasville City  
Thursday, May 5, 2016 - SWGTC & Mitchell County

4:30 Gathering 5:00 Meeting & Program

Regrets: Susan Thompson, Membership Chair  
(229) 859-2784

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### Program:

- \* Speaker from Camp Arrow
- \* Initiation of new members
- \* Dues are \$71 for active members & \$27 for reserve members; send to:

**Mrs. Deborah Fiveash**  
**618 Crabapple Drive**  
**Thomasville, GA 31757**

### Reminders:

- Bring books for Children's Literacy program- this is an ongoing need

## Fall Birthdays

9/5 Sheila Bullington	10/20 Topreka Hayes
9/11 Debbie Goodman	10/24 Ashley Finch
9/22 Faith Shiver	11/6 Patricia McCaskill
9/24 Lois Duncan	11/11 Gale Stewart
10/11 Willodene Lee	11/20 Opal Lewis
10/17 Paula Baunoch	11/20 Lisa Gilligan

\*We apologize if your birthday is not listed. Please send your birth date to Ryan Harrell [r.harrell@grady.k12.ga.us](mailto:r.harrell@grady.k12.ga.us) so it may be added to the database. ☺



Delta Kappa Gamma - Alpha Delta Chapter  
Minutes - May 7, 2015

The Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met Thursday, May 7, 2015 at Southwest Georgia Technical College in Thomasville, GA. President Jan Westberg opened our dinner meeting and welcomed everyone. Dr. Debbie Goodman brought the inspiration. She shared an introduction from her first book selection titled, *Seasons of Life*. Through it, we are reminded of life's seasons and purposes as we transition from one season to another. Book passages connected to the biblical book of Ecclesiastes.

**Reports:** The minutes were presented from the Capsule. There was a motion, and a second, to accept the minutes as amended. Deborah Fiveash gave the treasurer's report. The balance in our chapter account is \$655.33 as of May 7. A printed treasurer's report was available at the meeting.

Faith Shiver reported that the Alpha Delta Chapter recently received five awards. The awards are the DKG - Exemplary Communication Award; Psi State - Order of the Rose for Maintaining or Increasing Membership During the 2013-2015 Biennium; Award for Chapter Excellence; Psi State - Setting the Gold Standard Chapter Award for Achieving the 2013-2015 Membership Challenges; and Acknowledgement of Supporting Early Career Educators Project.

**Membership/Attendance:** Twenty chapter members and three visitors were in attendance.

**New Business:** Three prospects were presented for induction for the 2015-2016 year. From Thomas County, the names of Gail Clark and Catherine Thompson were presented. Austen Humphries from Grady County was presented.

\*Our chapter awarded \$100 scholarships to each of two first-year teachers. Austen Humphries, from Grady County, is a teacher at Washington Middle School. Lauren Baker, from Thomas County, will be a PreK teacher at Hand-In-Hand Primary School.

\*Lisa Gilligan also reported that we were identifying ideas for non-dues revenue to help with budget items. A list was offered and items will be discussed at a future date.

**Program:** Ms. Mallory Jones from the Thomasville Center for the Arts presented out meeting program. Mallory's topic was Being at the Center of it All: Thomasville Center for the Arts. Mallory shared the roles that the Center for the Arts has as it strives to meet the needs of a diverse community. Plays, lessons, gatherings, artists in residence, and exhibits are just a few examples of the offerings provided by the center. Members were also offered the *Thom* handout.

**Feature:** Four members were feature winners at our May meeting. Debbie Goodman was the winner of the beautiful plant, Frances Hallman won the Belk gift card, Deborah Fiveash won the manicure certificate, and Janet Campbell won a book.

**Next Meeting:** 2015-2016 meeting times and venues will be announced during the summer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned after singing our *Delta Kappa Gamma* song.

Respectfully submitted,  
Annette James



## Chapter President's Message



Dear Alpha Delta Sisters,

What a privilege it is to represent Delta Kappa Gamma as our Alpha Delta Chapter President! I am truly honored to attend regional, state, and local DKG events as your representative! This summer I was able to attend the Southeast Regional Convention in Savannah, GA. Lisa Gilligan, our first vice-president was able to travel with me. We enjoyed many informative general sessions and numerous break-out sessions.

Many people outside our society believe that we are a sorority, but please help spread the word that DKG is much more - we are a professional honor society for women educators promoting professional and personal growth and excellence in education with more than 76,000 members in 17 member countries around the world! I know you are all busy ladies, but I hope you are able to take advantage of some of the leadership opportunities DKG makes available to all of us. Push yourself to learn something new! Apply for one of the many scholarships - you just may receive one. Ask our own Beth Womble, who has won the Elise Boylston Memorial Foundation grant for **seven years!**

Our first meeting for this upcoming year will be on **Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at the Hand-In-Hand Media Center**. Our "meet and greet" time with light refreshments will begin at 4:30, with our meeting from 5:00-6:00. Our program will be about Camp Arrow, and we will also have the Initiation ceremony for our new members. Also, our Non-Dues Revenue committee has an exciting possibility to share with us!

Your DKG dues for this new year are also due. Many members pay them at this meeting. The total is \$71.00 for the year. Please remember that only \$21 of this amount stays in our chapter. \$40 goes to DKG international to provide grants and scholarships to our members, and \$10 goes to Psi State Georgia to provide conferences and leadership opportunities to our members. Please send them to our treasurer, **Deborah Fiveash 618 Crabapple Drive Thomasville, GA 31757**.

For those of you who are still working, I pray your school year has had a great start! For those of us who are retired, I pray you are enjoying the "fruit" of all your years of instilling information and character into the lives of your former students. I hope to see you on September 10<sup>th</sup> at Hand-In-Hand Media Center!

Jan Westberg, DKG  
Alpha Delta Chapter President, 2014-2016

