

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Florida Mu State Organization
District I Meeting, April 30, 2016
Apalachicola, FL
Recap

Fellowship began at 8:30 a.m. with a delicious spread of breakfast treats, juice and coffee. Fifteen chapters of District I were represented.

The **General Session** began at 9:00 a.m. Beverly Kelly, presided in the absence of Missy Cumbie, our District I Director, who was injured in an automobile accident.

The Parade of Presidents introduced the incoming and outgoing Presidents for each chapter.

The Speaker, Marshall Dawson is the 8th Marshal of the Supreme Court of Florida. He is also President of the State's Law Enforcement Chiefs Association. His talk was informative and encouraged more women to get involved in the judicial system.

Each of the Mu State Committees reported after which elections were held. There were no nominations for District I Director, to replace Missy Cumbie when her term ends. Four members – Ann Lumsden, Sandra Smith, Geraldine de Felix and Merle Jones volunteered to fill the vacancy until a replacement can be found.

Sandy Byars was elected to the State Nominations Committee.

Announcements were made. Friends of Media, Legislative award nominations are due Jan. 2017. Nominations for the Award to chapter members active on both the Chapter and State level are due Feb. 1, 2017.

Breakout sessions began at 11:00 a.m. with many opportunities for training and professional development. Our own member, Melissa Olsen, conducted a session on "Teaching the Gifted in Title I Schools". Training sessions were available for incoming Presidents and Treasurers. Resources were also available to improve Chapter Communications.

Lunch included a beautiful spread of cold salads, meat and cheeses and desserts prepared by the 10th grade culinary class at Apalachicola Bay Charter School. The entertainment, a cute skit about aging, was presented by members of Beta Lambda Chapter. Lunch was followed by the raffle of beautiful baskets filled with "goodies" conducted by Sandy Byars and Charlotte Hoover.

Eighty-six Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters were in attendance.

The event ended with the members singing the Delta Kappa Gamma Song.

Submitted by Connie Lewis