



Beta Epsilon Newsletter
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If you've never been to a Psi State Convention, then you MUST make plans to attend! If you've been to Convention, then you're probably already "saving the date" for the next one. You will learn so much about the Society, our state organization, the purposes of DKG, and self improvement. You'll meet wonderful key educators from across the state. (You'll also eat lots of great food!) Janice Cochran, BJ Dyer, Joyce Mitchell, and I had a great time in the Classic City at the UGA Continuing Education Center, beginning with a Tailgate BBQ and ending with a beautiful Ceremony of Life, remembering our own Ruby Parks and other members who passed away in the preceding year.

This year's theme was "Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide." Many interesting and educational impact sessions were offered throughout the weekend. (My personal favorite was Recruiting and Sustaining Members, led by the dynamic DKG International Immediate Past President, Dr. Lyn Schmid. I hope you will see this influence during this coming year.)

Beta Epsilon chapter received three awards: Exemplary Communication Chapter, Schools for Africa, and Supporting Early-Career Educators. Because of this recognition, I had sisters coming to me to ask, "How did your chapter do it?" Thanks to all of YOU for your hard work and effort!

The most exciting part of Convention (in my opinion) was when the first-ever Psi State Legacy Award was announced. Our very own Janice Cochran is the first recipient of this outstanding honor. Congratulations, Janice, on this well-deserved recognition! You are an inspiration to us all.

I look forward to us working together this year to raise money for local scholarships, supporting early career educators, other educational opportunities, and the sisterhood of Beta Epsilon.

Haley

MISSION STATEMENT
THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY
INTERNATIONAL PROMOTES PROFESSIONAL AND
PERSONAL GROWTH OF WOMEN EDUCATORS AND
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION.

2016-2018 INTERNATIONAL
THEME:
LEADING WOMEN EDUCATORS
IMPACTING EDUCATION WORLDWIDE



<i>Save the Dates!</i>	
8/24	Orientation @ Sharp Memorial UMC Fellowship Hall, Young Harris, 6 PM followed by catered dinner
9/30	"Hats Off to Beta Epsilon" Afternoon Tea and Ceremonies, 2 PM at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, Blairsville
12/2	Potluck Brunch & Silent Auction, 10 AM, Union County Public Library
2/??	Planning Meeting, First UMC, Blairsville, 6 PM (exact date TBA)
3/17	GAME DAY Scholarship Fundraiser, First UMC, Blairsville
4/19	Spring Fling, 6 PM, Blue Ridge (location TBA)

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www.dkgga.weebly.com

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www.deltakappagamma.org/GA-betaepsilon/

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Leading Women Educators Leading Women Educators



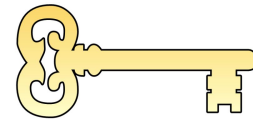
You Are the Key!

NEW STATE OFFICERS

Be sure to visit the Psi State website (<http://dkgga.weebly.com/psi-state-officers.html>) to “meet” our new 2017-2019 State Officers. I had the privilege of meeting and working with incoming president Virginia McChesney at Leadership Seminar in June, and you are going to love her (if you don’t already know and love her)! If she is able to come visit our chapter, we will need to be sure to have lots of lemons available for her water (fun fact)!

FIRST BETA EPSILON KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

Our chapter has awarded our first Beta Epsilon Key Women Educators Scholarship to not one, but two, local college students. **Kaila Reece**, a resident of Hiawassee, is a senior at Young Harris College majoring in Middle Grades Education with a concentration in Math and English. **Allison Lindstrom**, of Epworth, is majoring in Early Childhood Education at Lancaster Bible College in Pennsylvania and anticipates graduating in 2019. We are very excited to be able to honor these young women and support them as they become certified educators. It is our hope that they will continue to stay in touch with our chapter and that we may be able to mentor them in any way that we can and that they desire.



WOMEN OF IMPACT AWARDS

The purpose of this award is to promote the ideals of Delta Kappa Gamma and to honor Key Women Educators who display a commitment to education and to the community and is considered to be a dedicated and innovative professional by her peers. Congratulations to the following Beta Epsilon Sisters who were honored with the Women of Impact Award at Convention!



Tonya Callahan Janice Cochran Gena Chambers
Haley Dyer Barbara Hale Joyce Mitchell Betty Sexton

PURPOSES OF DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

1. To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship
2. To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education
3. To advance the professional interest and position of women in education
4. To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators
5. To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators
6. To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action
7. To inform the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society