



EPSILON RHO REVIEW

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
 Epsilon Rho Chapter - Texas State Organization
 Area III, Chapter 137 - Pasadena, Texas

"Leading women educators impacting education worldwide."

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



Luann's Thoughts

I hope that each of you have had a great beginning of the school year and that your students are getting back into a routine and are eager to learn what you have to offer!

On behalf of Epsilon Rho, I would like to welcome our newest members. In April we inducted Gladys Trevino and Iris Munoz. Last month, we inducted Melodneice Burt and Pandora Freestone. I look forward to getting to know you all.

We have some great programs scheduled this year. This month we will have a guest speaker that will talk to us about "Trauma and Children." In October we will be meeting with MuSigma, Theta Sigma, and Zeta Omega for a presentation of "Cup of Sugar." Mark your calendar, you are not going to want to miss these programs.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 3

Epsilon Rho Meeting
 4:30 pm at Southmore Intermediate
Refreshments and Words of inspiration:
 Melodneice and Pandora

September 27

6:00 - 8:00 pm Reception for new State President

September 28

Service Project and President's Luncheon
 The Houston Food Bank

October 22

4:30 pm at the Orozco Professional Development Center
 (Joint Chapter Meeting)

SEPTEMBER
 BIRTHDAYS

Pat Jaime - 9/8
 Luann Kelly - 9/22

2019 - 2020 SERVICE PROJECTS

It's time to decide on our service projects for the year. This year we would like to focus our attention on two specific service projects. We want to dedicate our efforts to one project each school semester. At our executive committee meeting this summer, we discussed four possibilities. At our meeting next week, we will decide by a vote which two we will commit our efforts to. The four possibilities are listed below.

The Birthday Party Project

The Birthday Party Project hosts monthly birthday parties for children living in homeless and transitional living facilities. These birthday parties bring joy and happiness to children, ages 1—21. Donations help provide gifts, cake, party favors, and other materials used for crafts and activities. For more information, visit:

<https://www.thebirthdaypartyproject.org/>



Little Free Libraries of Pasadena ISD

There are 40 Little Free Libraries in the Pasadena school district. We have been providing books to these libraries for over 2 years. These libraries provide students and their surrounding communities with access to books 24/7, 365 days of the year. Besides providing books this year, we can also provide the gift of time by going to the schools and cleaning out their Little Free Libraries and adding books.



The Heifer Project

The Heifer Project helps provide communities in need with animals, sustainable farming, and basic needs, such as access to clean water. Their mission is to end world hunger and poverty. For more information, visit:

<https://www.heifer.org/>



SENTEBALE

The Princes' Foundation for Children in Africa

Sentabale was founded by Prince Harry, the Duke of Sussex, and Prince Seeiso of Lesotho in 2006. Sentabale helps support the well-being of children in sub-Saharan Africa that are affected by extreme poverty and the HIV/AIDS epidemic. For more information, visit:

<https://sentebale.org/>



NEW MEMBERS

In August, we initiated two new members. We welcome Melodneice Burt and Pandora Freestone to our chapter. Melodneice is a teacher at Pasadena High School, and Pandy is an instructor at San Jacinto College. We are happy to have them joining our team.



Do you know the goals for the 2019 - 2021 TSO Biennium?

Unlock the door to cooperative strategic planning through:

- **KNOWLEDGE** of the Society's mission, purposes, and traditions.
- **ENGAGEMENT** in purposeful programs and projects to increase member involvement.
- **YEARLONG** involvement in recruiting, mentoring, and leading.
- **SUPPORT** from officers, mentors, and others to increase stronger members and chapters.



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