

Beta Mu Chapter

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Left: Pat Litterick, Ruth Paine, Sharon Joca, Terry Stanilonis and Lisa Allen are representing Beta Mu at the State Executive Board Meeting in Orlando this September.

Right: Pat Litterick, state chair of the Leadership Development Committee, presents her annual report.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful fall. The busy holidays are fast approaching and it'll be 2023 before we know it!

In September, Pat, Terri, Lisa Allen, Ruth and I attended the state 2022 Fall Executive Board Meeting in Orlando where we interacted with fabulous ladies from all over the state of Florida who share common experiences-we are all key women educators. We would love to have more Beta Mu members attend these events.

There is a planning meeting for District 2 scheduled for 10:00 a.m. in Palatka on January 28. All are welcome to attend as we will be part of hosting this event later. More information will follow.

The Florida State DKG Convention is scheduled for April 28-30, 2023 in Lake Mary (Orlando). We expect our very own Terri Stanilonis will be elected state president at this time. How great would it be if she had a ton of supporters from our chapter there!

We are looking forward to our November 17 meeting at 5:00 at the TLC hosted by the Professional Development Committee. Sheriff Michelle Cook is scheduled to present the program.

It will be great to see everyone!

Take care,

Sharon

UPCOMING EVENTS

Beta Mu Save the Dates for 2022-2023

Thursday November 17, 2022	5:00 pm, Beta Mu Chapter Meeting
Thursday December 8, 2022	Christmas Social, 5:00 pm
Saturday January 21, 2023	10:00 am, Beta Mu Chapter Meeting hosted by Personal Development Committee
Saturday, January 28, 2023	District 2 Planning Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
Thursday March 9, 2023	5:00 pm, Beta Mu Chapter Meeting hosted by Impacting Education Worldwide Committee
Friday April 28, 2023-Sunday April 30, 2023	State Convention
Saturday May 13, 2023	10:00 am, Beta Mu Chapter Meeting hosted by the Executive Board
Saturday March 2, 2024	District 2 Meeting



Food Pantry Donations

For our first donation to the Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs, we collected 39 pounds of non-perishable food at our chapter meeting on 9/10! We received this nice thank you from them:

To Delta Kappa Gamma,

"You make it possible! Thank you for your donation to provide relief for Clay County families needing food assistance."

Signed: The Pantry Volunteers

We will be accepting donations at each of our chapter meetings, with our next meeting being Thursday November 17th. Clean out your pantry of any unwanted non-perishable items or grab an item or two on your next shopping trip. We are looking forward to supporting our community during these times.

DKG Christmas Social 2022



Join together on Thursday, December 8 at 5:00 for dinner with your DKG sisters. We will order from the menu and enjoy the fellowship of one another. Feel free to dress festively or not. We will not exchange gifts with one another, but will bring our contributions for the Clay family that we are supporting this year. Your ideas for games, word puzzles, trivia and decorations are welcome.



Thanksgiving and Christmas Giving

We are supporting a Clay family of seven (2 adults and 5 children) for both Thanksgiving and Christmas this year. We will accept cash donations at our November meeting for their Thanksgiving meal and will collect gifts for Christmas at the Christmas social.

INFORMATION FOR **MEMBERS**



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Clay County - Zip 32043/32073

We are excited to announce the program community for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Clay County has grown, and now includes both the 32043 and 32073 zip codes! You can see this expansion reflected in the change we've made to our official name. At this point, there are 754 active children enrolled in the program, and 107 children have graduated from it.

Our growth is due to the enthusiastic support and generosity numerous citizens in Clay County have shown for the Imagination Library. We are very grateful to them and also all of our Beta Mu Sisters who have helped increase public awareness of the program and donated their time and money to help make it a successful program for our community.

Please let Ruth Paine or Pat Litterick know if you would like to join our Beta Mu Committee for DPIL of Clay County - Zip 32043/32073. We need you and we know you would enjoy being a part of this effort to help increase the early literacy skills of our youngest Clay County citizens in order to better prepare them to start kindergarten. If you would like to donate or share the donation form, here's a LINK to the donation form.

<u>Membership</u>



Is there a special woman educator you know who's working in the field, or may be retired, and you would like to recommend her for membership in DKG? ALL types of educators are welcome! Prospective members may be recommended year round and we are always looking to grow our chapter.

Celebrate, Support, Involvement

We are always looking for new ways to connect with our members. If you are involved with an outside commitment, we would love to celebrate and support you! This includes school organizations, sports organizations, community theater groups, etc.! Use <u>this Google Form</u> to let us know what you are involved in and when your event(s) are. Physical hard-copy forms will also be available to fill out at chapter meetings.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



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