

# Alpha Mu...Sings...

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Texas State Organization, Alpha Mu, Area V, Chapter 36 Serving Key Women Educators in Brownsville & Los Fresnos

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Greetings Alpha Mu Sisters,

Spring is just around the corner, and we have many celebrations to look forward to among our families, friends, and with the chapter. Our chapter collected over \$300 in donations from the members in place of the February Sweet Treats auction. These proceeds will cover the cost of the graduation regalia for five Rivera ECHS female students. We are extremely grateful to our three members, who graciously donated three additional caps and gowns. A sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the chapter project.

We are excited to announce the new officers for the 2022-2024 biennium in this newsletter! Form 110 has been sent to State with the new officers' names. Alpha Mu continues to head in the right direction! The new officers are great leaders for the chapter and will work diligently to keep the chapter successful.

In addition, our chapter was able to donate to the ASTEF foundation for February Giving Month. Chapters across the state are making donations for scholarships, leadership, and projects.

A few reminders on the following topics: don't forget to apply for a Project Stipend from our foundation, ASTEF, by April 1. If you have been working on an idea for your school, please bring your applications ready to present at the next meeting on March 22. The Spotlight Program is also due on April 1. The Cornetet application and Five-Star newsletter are due by May 1. The Area V Workshop will be in Alice, Texas, on August 27. Hopefully, many members will be able to attend this educational workshop.

As a chapter, we will continue to maintain our goals and stay committed to lead the chapter forward on the "Journey" to nurture, serve, educate, and wonder.

Your proud Alpha Mu President, Norma Nelson

## **Mission Statement**

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and Personal growth of women educators



### Vision Statement

Leading women educators impacting education worldwide

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#### **BUSINESS ZOOM MEETING—FEB. 8**

Our February business meeting was a success! Since we met via zoom, we were not able to have our yearly February Sweets and Treats auction. Instead, members were asked to make a \$20 donation in support of our Caps for Grads Chapter Project! So far, we have collected \$315! Since three members donated additional caps and gowns, we will be able to increase the graduation regalia donations from five to eight! Alpha Mu will donate graduation regalia to **eight** Rivera Early College High School female students this year! Our chapter also made a donation to ASTEF for February Giving Month. We are extremely excited that we exceeded our expectations! Thank you for your continued support, making our chapter project a successful one!

#### ALPHA MU DUES REMINDER

Please send your Alpha Mu dues to our Treasurer, Linda Little, by **Tuesday, May 31**. Method of payments include:

- CashApp, to \$nagn88. Please notify Norma Nelson.
- Zelle, to Norma Nelson at 956-455-0871 or
- Personal check, payable to DKG. Checks should be mailed to Linda Little, Chapter Treasurer, 717 Santa Ana, Rancho Viejo, TX 78575-9747
- Active members membership is \$75, Active Retired is \$70, and Reserved is \$40.

Please notify Mrs. Linda Little by email at rlbklttl@cs.com, or via text at 956-497-8501 with the following information: Method of payment as listed above, and the date transaction is completed.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- March 22—Chapter Meeting via Zoom at 7:00 p.m.
- April 1—<u>ASTEF Projects Applications Due</u>
- April 1— Contributions for convention recognition to Eula Lee Carter and ASTEF Due
- May 1— Five-Star Newsletters Deadline
- May 31—Alpha Mu Dues

#### UPCOMING TEXAS STATE EVENTS

- 93<sup>rd</sup> Texas State Convention will be held in Lubbock, Texas, June 15-18, 2022.
- International Convention will be held in New Orleans, July 12-16, 2022.
- Area Workshop Alice, TX, August 27, 2022
- 94th Texas State Convention will be held in McAllen, Texas, June 14-17, 2023.

#### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- Drue Brown
- Kristina Coronado
- Mary Ann Flores
- Pat Johnson-Hodge
- Norma Lopez

#### Alpha Mu, State & Global Websites

Stay up-to-date by checking Alpha Mu chapter's website! Also included are the state and global websites! See links below:

- <u>https://Dkgalphamu.weebly.com</u> (chapter website)
- <u>https://Dkgtexas.org</u> (state website)
- https://Dkg.org (global website)

#### CAPS FOR GRADS

The Alpha Mu Chapter Project for **2021-2022 is Caps for Grads!** The chapter will raise funds to provide caps and

gowns for five BISD female students from **Rivera Early College High School** who do not have the money to purchase their own graduation cap and gown. This project will enable qualifying low-income students to participate in their high school



graduation ceremonies. Our chapter will be coordinating this project with the senior counselors at Rivera E.C.H.S. The approximate cost of the graduation regalia per student is \$45.



#### ALPHA MU OFFICERS 2020-2022

Norma Nelson – President Melissa Saldivar, 1st Vice-President Drue Brown, 2nd Vice-President Letty Hernandez, Recording Secretary Esmeralda Torres, Corresponding Secretary Linda Little, Treasurer Mary Sullivan, Parliamentarian

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO INCOMING SLATE OF OFFICERS 2022-2024

Linda Little – President Graciela (Shelly) Alonso, 1st Vice-President Sharlene Vasquez, 2nd Vice-President Mary Ann Flores, Recording Secretary Esmeralda Torres, Corresponding Secretary Norma Nelson, Treasurer TBA by President, Parliamentarian