**Alpha Tau Chapter Meeting**

**April 23, 2016**

The Alpha Tau Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met Saturday, April 23 at Church House Banquets in Halfway. Following the Pledge and Singing Grace, we enjoyed brunch.

Initiation of new members was conducted by Cay Sergent, Beverly Jenkins, and Jenny Oglesbee. New members are Jessica Gray and Julie Routh.

Magda Neill and Faye Peters led the Ceremony of Remembrance for deceased member Elizabeth Ruth Harris King.

Laurie Whitlock gave the program:  A Tribute to our Founders and History of Delta Kappa Gamma. Delta Kappa Gamma was founded May 11, 1929, and the Alpha Tau Chapter was formed June 1, 1968.  "As we celebrate our founders, we celebrate ourselves."

There were eighteen members and two guests present.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report was also approved.  (Cay commented that Ruth King's daughter had always kept her mother's dues paid, and said that DKG membership was very important to her mother.) Cay made a motion from the finance committee to approve Faye Peters, the incoming president, as an approved signature on the Alpha Tau Chapter of Missouri State Organization banking accounts at the Bank of  Urbana,  Buffalo, MO.  The three accounts are as follows: Available Fund, Grants-in-Aid, and Scholarship.  The motion was approved.

Tisha Clawson has revised the chapter rules.

An award was given to Myrna for Alpha Tau's website.  Our chapter also received 3-star achievement award from Delta State.

Both Rachel and Joann are completing advanced degrees at Southwest Baptist University.

Faye discussed various legislative issues, and the importance of following the issues and emailing our senator and/or representative.

Faye mentioned an upcoming sale at the home of Bert and Jewell Lemons.  Bert was a longtime educator, and their home has interesting educational memorabilia.  Faye discussed the impact Mr. Lemons had on her as an educator.

The installation of new officers was conducted by Kay Otterness.

New officers are:

President:  Faye Peters

1st Vice President:  Beverly Jenkins

2nd Vice President:  Karla Spears

Recording Secretary:  Julia Valdez

Corresponding Secretary:  Joann Brown

Treasurer:  Cay Sergent.

If dues are paid by August 1, members will save $5.00. Following the singing of the Delta Kappa Song, our meeting was adjourned. Recording Secretary, Sarah Oglesbee