

BETA SIGMA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER – FALL 2019



BETA SIGMA HIGHLIGHTS

GSO NEWS

PROGRAMS

STARTING THE 2019-2021 BIENNIUM

WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Sisters:

Fall is here in all its glory and we are energized to start the projects for the upcoming 2019-2020 year. This will be the last year of my second biennium and then, I will pass the gavel to Diane Lutz, who, I am sure, will do an outstanding job carrying the chapter along with a fresh outlook. The Beta Sigma Executive Board met in August to finalize the programs planned together last May. We tried to organize them to take place on different days of the week to offer those members who are busy on a particular day the opportunity to attend at least a few of our meetings. We even have some on Saturdays! You will find the list of topics and dates further along on this issue. Working with Hilsman Science and Energy Team continues this semester as a concerted effort with our newly inducted sisters Liz French and Audrey Hughes. More about them in the following pages

Last month, Diane, Rachel and I attended the GSO Executive Board and Member's meeting in Macon. We have a new GSO President: Dr. Kathy Brown and District II Director: Gwen White. President Brown outlined the qualities contributing to a vital DKG Society, emphasizing the role of its smallest units: its chapters. The theme for her biennium, "The Power of Sisterhood", left me thinking... Individually we are quite smart, experienced, caring and wise. But when we put our heads and, most of all, our hearts together, we are a powerhouse! I look forward to continue working with you in support of teachers and education!

Cheers,

Marta



Program: November 2, 10:30 am.
ACC Library, Multipurpose Room A.



Delta Mini Hostel: Oct.25-26
Register by 10/18. Information:
dkgso.weebly.com



Congratulations to Jane Kelly on her 7th great grandchild, Walter Kammer Rains, a boy weighing 9 pounds and 9 ounces born October 8th!

WHAT WE WANT OUR SISTERS TO KNOW

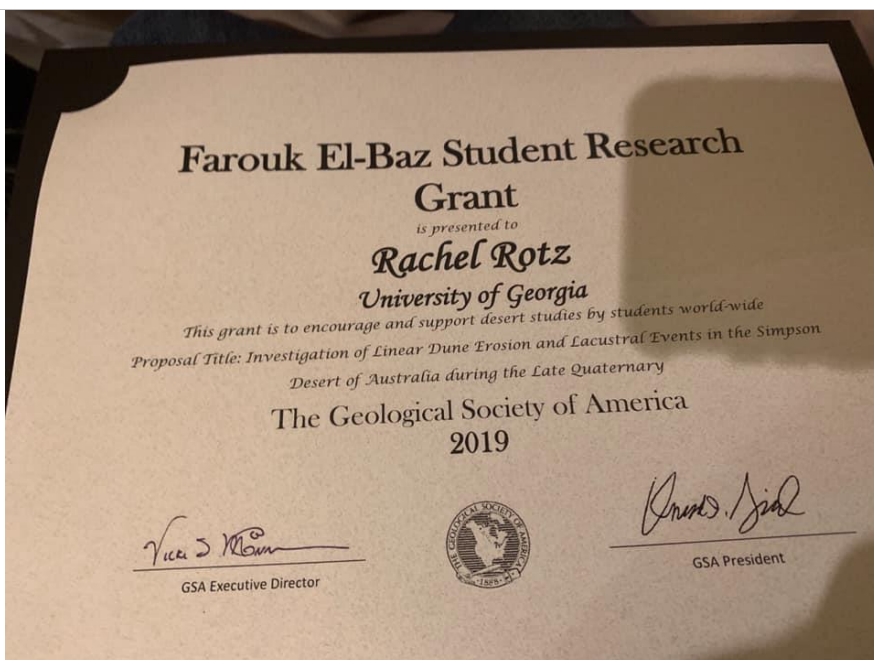


Audrey Hughes Science and Energy Team won the first place in Georgia and first place in the Nation for their project “Everyone Needs Energy” and their work in the community. They were recognized at the NEED (National Energy Education Development) Conference in Washington DC last June.



Liz French, seen here racing with Hilsman’s students in the game Macroinvertebrates Maihem, finished her Master of Science in Forestry Resources. She has been actively involved with Hilsman’s Science and Energy helping students identify problems and designing solutions for issues affecting the local watershed.

HIGHLIGHTS!



Rachel Rotz is a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Geology at the University of Georgia

Rachel Rotz is Beta Sigma’s first collegiate member. She has received the Farouk El-Baz Student Research Grant from the Geological Society of America.

Her interests are focused in hydrogeology.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD GSO MACON MEETING NEWS

Theme: The Power of Sisterhood.

Presentations revolved around the GSO *Vitaltrees*: Vital Chapters, Vital Programs & Projects, Vital GSO Business.

Deadline for chapter treasurers to file 990-N is November 15, 2019.

Leadership Institute & Spring Leadership Training are to be combined into one weekend and will take place at Warner Robins Middle School on April 17 & 18, 2020.

The Leadership Institute portion will be Friday evening. The Leadership Training portion on Saturday with focus on training for incoming chapter officers. Required officers are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer.

GSO President Kathy Brown listed 5 most important requirements that chapter presidents need to make sure are fulfilled:

1. Succession plan: (form 110) list of chapter officers for next biennium.
2. Financial forms completed.
3. Necrology forms completed.
4. Have a representative at state meetings if you cannot attend.
5. Chapter history form – documentation for last year of one biennium & first year of next.

The 2017-2019 Scrapbook presentation played during our delicious tailgate-style barbeque lunch.

Encourage members to apply for scholarships. Forms, due on February 1, 2020 are on dkggso.weebly.com

Scrapbook: Part 1 (one or two slides to show off chapter) due April 30, 2020.

GSO Convention will be April 16-18, 2021, in Columbus, GA, and promises to be an exciting one!

During the District II meeting Gwen White recognized our collegiate member Rachel Rotz, for receiving the Farouk El-Baz Student Research Grant.

Delta Hostel becomes Mini Hostels:

1. Oct. 25-26, 2019, in Dahlongega – walking ghost tour on Friday evening; lunch at Smith House on Saturday; list of activities in area to choose from on your own, including Lavender Farm & Spa; spend day or one or more nights; may bring family or guests.
2. February, 2020, probably in South GA.
3. October, 2020.



PROJECT SAFE MOST NEEDED ITEMS

*Our Saturday November 2, 10:30 a.m. meeting at the Athens Clarke County Library, Multipurpose Room A will feature Joan Prittie, Project Safe's Director. Beta Sigma wants to contribute to this cause and asks members to bring items for Project Safe's 24/7 Emergency Shelter. The shelter is always in need of items to keep it running smoothly and to ensure that residents are supplied with all of the basic necessities needed to thrive in this safe space during their 90 day stay at the Project Safe Shelter. Below is a list of the shelter's current needs (***) indicates current greatest need):*

*The shelter is still in great need of PAPER TOWELS****

Triple A and Double A batteries

*Ethnic haircare products ***.*

*Multipurpose cleaner ****

*Dish detergent ****

*Disinfectant wipes ****

*Sunscreen ****

*Larger sizes of diapers & pull ups ****

Bleach

*Toilet paper *** Women's AND men's deodorant*

Body spray/perfume

Wool dryer balls

Pillows and pillow cases

Women's underwear: sizes 6-8

Air freshener

*Earbuds/headphones ****

Adult backpacks

HEAVY DUTY trash bags

*Movie gift cards (for field trips) **

Gift cards to restaurants (for field trips)

*Gas giftcards **

*Grocery giftcards **

Mouthwash

Bras-all sizes

Maternity vitamins

Epson Salt

Flavored coffee creamer

Tupperware

Umbrellas

Rubber gloves

Scrubbing sponges

Window cleaner

School/office supplies- post-it notes, highlighters, pens, sheet protectors, dividers, backpacks (adult), sharpies, markers, notecards.

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PROGRAMS 2019-2020



September 16: The Program “A Day in the Life of an EMT Volunteer” by First Responder, EMT and trainer Dennis Luckey keep members entertained and busy. (Left)

October 7: At the ACC Library, GA Representative Spencer Frye spoke about “2020 Legislative Issues Focusing on Education” to an interested audience that included some of our Alpha Theta sisters. (Right)



BETA SIGMA MEMBERS WITH REPRESENTATIVE SPENCER FRYE

Date	Upcoming programs
November 2 - 10:30 AM	“Project Safe” - Project Safe Director Joan Prittie
December 7 - 10:30 AM	Holiday Brunch at Mary Jim Combs’ home
January 13 - 5:00 PM	Beta Sigma Executive Board - Barbara McConnell’s home
February 13 - 5:00 PM	“W.E.B. Dubois” - Freda Giles
March 24 - 3:00 PM	“Alice H. Richards Children’s Garden” in the State Botanical Garden of Georgia - Cora Keber
April - date TBA	End of Year Celebration - New Officers Installation – Speaker: DII Director Gwen White

District II Director Gwen White



will be our guest speaker this spring.