

## **HATS OFF TO DELTA KAPPA GAMMA** (original writer unknown)

### Introduction

We need to pause a moment for a founders' tribute today.  
These indeed are special leaders their contributions too numerous to say

Without these special ladies, we wouldn't be here today.  
So sit back and learn about the founders we'd like to portray.

Hats off to Delta Kappa Gamma! Hats off to our founders too!  
Let's enjoy this chance to salute them and learn how our Society grew

### First person with a mortar board

The noble **Anne Webb Blanton** envisioned and promoted her dream,  
A leader with warmth, love and wit, one you'd surely want on your team.

Her hat would be a mortar board a scholar and professor  
For many a productive year. excellence in education is what she held so dear.

### Next presenter with party hat with flowers

**Mamie Sue Bastian**, a gal with charm galore, she valued love, laughter and  
Things of the heart. She was one we'd all adore.

Her hat would be a party hat, a chapeau with a broad brim of flowers.  
She influenced many legislators as she talked about education for hours.

### Next presenter with a sombrero

**Ruby Cole** hailed from "San Antone," a tireless worker indeed  
A woman of courage and good will too, an educator destined to lead.

For her hat she would doff a sombrero to symbolize the culture for which she had pride.  
Her tireless work to beautify a city, she felt history should be our guide.

### Next presenter with country bonnet

On to **Mabel Grizzard**, from Waxahachie hailed she;  
A positive person so involved, she served our society faithfully.

A country bonnet is what she would wear, one with bluebonnets galore;  
She traveled all over the country giving her all to each endeavor.

Next presenter with a tiara

**Anna Hiss** is our next founder, a fascinating conversationalist in a crowd,  
An enthusiastic leader with vision and one of whom we are proud.

A ballerina's tiara she'd wear in her hair, a symbol of her dancing ways.  
Grace and vivacity describe her well; people listened to what she would say.

Next presenter with accountant's green shade

Another founder and teacher named **Ray King** was first state and national treasurer.  
A symbol of quiet devotion to duty, she was not an idle character.

An accountant's green shade we would find upon her head,  
For her meticulous keeping of records kept us far out of the red.

Next presenter with laurel wreath

Another **King** whose name was **Sue** influenced many a life that she touched.  
She was lost to the Society by an untimely death and was missed by her peers so much.

On her head we'd find a laurel wreath for her intellect and the Latin she taught,  
Respected by many for her leadership role proud to share the knowledge she sought.

Next presenter with a big straw hat

A notable educator was **Dr. Helen Koch**, known the world all around,  
A professor of psychology from Illinois whose students considered her profound.

We'd find her wearing a big straw hat, one to protect her from the sun's rays;  
To archaeological digs she would go; that's where she spent many days.

Next presenter with cowboy hat

**Ruby Terrill Lomax** was our guide for the formative years,  
A scholarly parliamentarian who kept records for the Society she held dear.

This multi-faceted scholar with a cowboy hat would be found, joined by her husband, a folklorist  
named Walt, searching for cowboy music they were often bound.

Next presenter with a black bow in her hair

Charming and friendly was **Dr. Cora M. Martin**. she added color and fun wherever she'd go.  
She brought out all the best in all her kids, And she'd marvel as she watched each child grow.

Petite and Victorian in appearance was she. We might find a black bow in her hair.  
Talented author and musician, she served so well, she's worthy of applause and fanfare.

Next presenter with a beret

A fearless woman was **Lalla M. Odom**. For married teachers she fought hard and long.  
Helping to improve our professional image, she was courageous and strong.

Because she was outspoken and non-conforming, we see her in a beret.  
She went to court for equal treatment and won respect that would always stay.

Next presenter with sequined dinner hat

**Lela Lee Williams** gave inspiration to turn dreams into reality,  
A tireless worker for improved status and pay, known for concern and congeniality.

We'd find her in a sequined dinner hat, for she loved beautiful things.  
But don't let her fool you for a moment; to our ideals and purposes she'd cling.

Everyone together

As we say, "Hats off to our founders!" And marvel at their variety,  
Let us say "Hats off to all of us!" As we salute our Society.

(You might want to have the group sing the following song, or have one member say the verse,  
and the chapter members sing the chorus.)