



# KAPPA DELTA PSI

DELTA PSI CHAPTER at  
SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY

A KAPPA DELTA PI CHAPTER

## Little House Storybook Carnival

2016 Chapter Program  
Award Winner

### The Basics

The Delta Psi Chapter held a community-wide carnival at a local park, with 25 KDP members volunteering during the day. The literary-focused event was themed around a landmark at the park- the Historic Little House. The chapter provided food and activities during the event for local children.

### Getting Started

The Chapter set a goal to instill a love of reading in children aged 4-10. Members selected books that could help achieve this and divided into teams to create activities to help children engage in the stories. Multiple committees worked together to oversee the event, market the carnival around town and local schools, and the town's website. Members who were unable to participate on the day of the event were assigned to gather donations and provide planning support. Several community organizations donated materials and skills to help the chapter.

### The Experience

More than 100 children with their families attended the Little House Storybook Carnival, including some from more than an hour away! Events included "Pete the Cate and His Four Groovy Buttons" with a bean bag toss event, "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" with an obstacle course, and several others.

### The Impact

KDP members developed important skills from designing activities connected to books to leading group games. Children in the community had the opportunity to enjoy reading and activities that helped reinforce the themes within the books, as well as a fun day out with their families. The events encouraged parents to discuss the books with their children. The chapter raised more than \$1200 with this event.



Chapter members and a local theater group read various stories aloud during the carnival, as children participated in activities connected to the stories. Pictured here is the egg-carton caterpillar station based on the "The Very Hungry Caterpillar."

## Make This Event Your Own

- Host a themed carnival at a landmark in your town or campus.
- Partner with a theater group to host story re-enactments.
- Host an event focused on one story, but with several different activities.
- Do a large event with a local mentoring organization to provide a fun day for mentees.



## Fast Facts

25

volunteers

100

children

17

activities

"This is genius. I love the way you have brought the community together in an event that is family friendly and doesn't break the bank. We have had a great day."

-Community Member

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact the [Chapter Services Staff](#) at KDP Headquarters for help as you plan your program.