

Alpha Delta News



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
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 Region VII

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From The President - Cindy Wall Sarwi

Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters,

Holidays are here again. It is hard to believe that another year has come and gone as we prepare for the festivities of Christmas. It seems like only a few weeks ago when we were all nestled in Brenda's living room laughing and enjoying the fellowship of fellow DKG sisters.

As Christmas approaches, I want to take a moment to recognize your hard work and the contributions each one of you has made during the 2011 year:

- Began restructuring process of Bylaws and Standing Rules affecting members and chapters
- Rang Salvation Army bell
- Secured funds for educational scholarship
- Awarded scholarship
- Awarded scholarship for deserving high school student
- Implemented New Member Orientation and Induction
- Conducted year-round book clubs
- Implemented new electronic Eta State Newsletter
- Served on Eta State Headquarters Committee;
- Contributed to World Fellowship and Going Green Projects
- Conducted successful programs;
- Published four Alpha Delta Newsletters

Although the work is never over, you should never lose sight of the importance of what you do and the difference you make for students each and every day. As sisters of Delta kappa Gamma, you are all leaders in education. Thank you for your consummate professionalism, collaboration, and many contributions to helping Alpha Delta fulfill its vision: Leading Women Educators Impacting Educations Worldwide.

I wish you safe travels and a very happy and relaxing holiday.

Dr. Cindy Wall Sarwi
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Times of Interest

5:00 PM

Executive Board Meeting

5:30 PM

Social Time

6:00

Meal

6:30PM

Scholarship Auction

December Meeting

Sandra Dickens

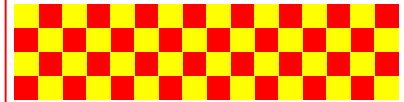
The December meeting of the Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta kappa Gamma will be held at Brenda Atkins' home at 317 High Drive in Eden. We appreciate her kind invitation to have our Christmas meeting in her home on Friday, December 2, 2011. The social time will begin at 5:30 pm and dinner will be at 6:00 pm. We hope to have a good attendance for this fun meeting and a successful auction. If you are unable to attend, we hope you will

Want to make a donation to the scholarship fund to help support our scholarship.

We look forward to seeing you and enjoying the fellowship and fun at our December meeting!

December Hostesses

The hostesses for our December meeting are Sandra Dickens, Jane Lockhart, Norma Williams, Pam Page, Marguerite Holt, and Catherine Massengale.



Directions to Brenda's Home

From downtown, Eden, Madison/Stoneville/Caswell areas:

Look for the Fair Funeral Home on Boone Road.

At the stoplight turn on Glovenia Street beside Fair Funeral Home

Proceed to stop sign at Highland Drive

Make an immediate turn on the right.

Brenda's house is a tall white house with green shutters and a circle driveway

From Reidsville:

From High 14 turn left on King's Highway

Continue down the hill; look for the overpass

Turn left on to Highland Park Drive just before the overpass

Take an immediate right and cross over the overpass

Look for Leaksville-Spray Elementary School

Brenda's home is the fourth house on the left from the school.

Carpooling is suggested.

December Meeting means....relaxing evening of fun and laughter....delicious foods....auction of homemade goodies and gifts.... Making money for DKG Scholarship FundGoal \$820



Eta State News: www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/

DKG Eta State Convention

Tour the Governor's Mansion/Tea with the Governor

Cary, NC

Embassy Suites

April 27-29, 2012

Program Book

From Eta State President, Linda Little, "Remember how beautiful and useful our convention program book looked last year? Advertisements are available for inserting into the program. Both members and non-members can advertise their business, talent, or just share information.

Prices are: 1/8 page (\$25); 1/4 page (\$45); 1/2 page (\$80); and a full page (\$150). As you remember, several chapters used the ads to recognize their president or a special member of their chapter. This is a great way to recognize members for their long-time membership in DKG.

Attention all Musicians

Singers and instrumentalists take note! Volunteers are needed to sing and play during the convention. Interested musicians are asked to contact Elizabeth Beam at elizabethbeam@me.com

International News: www.dkg.org

DKG International Convention

New York City

July 24-26, 2012

Sheraton Hotel and Towers

7th Avenue

Reservations available on December 1, 2011

(Link on International Website)

If you call direct, be sure to secure the DKG Convention Block

Train Ride from Raleigh (discount for seniors) \$161.84

Leave Raleigh on Monday, July 23, 2011 at 8:54 am aboard Train 92

Arrive in New York city at Pen Station at 7:18 pm

Return Plan: Leave Penn Station, Monday, July 30, 2012 at 7:05 am

Arrive in Raleigh at 4:42 pm

Notes of Interest

Alpha Delta Chapter Ad Hoc Committee

Purpose: To revise the Alpha Delta By-laws and Standing Rules and to develop the Strategic Action Plan

Rachel Scott
 Carol Holcomb
 Kay Diehl
 Pam Page
 Debbie Russell
 Susan Thompson
 Catherine Massengale
 Martha Davis
 Nell Rose

Calling All Members

The Educational Law and Policy Committee is asking all members to participate in this survey. This will prepare the committee with concerns to present to the 2012 General Assembly in May.

<http://tinyurl.com/EtaStateLegislativeSurvey>

Eta State Scholarship Information

The scholarship forms are posted under Eta State Forms or may be found on Eta State web site by clicking to go to the Scholarship Committee's page. Please note the deadline is February 1st.

Happy Birthday Wishes

December

Kay Diehl - 6
 Jeryl Rice - 7
 Jane Lockhart - 17
 Brenda Atkins - 21
 Karen Wakelee - 28

January

Jennifer Jones - 5
 Susie Parks - 5
 Debbie Russell - 7
 Jennifer McCollum - 9
 Martha Davis - 10
 Marti Hyatt - 13
 Anna Pruitt - 14
 Deborah Crumpton - 22

February

Vanessa Richmond-Graves - 6
 Helen Moore - 18
 Hilda Purgason - 24



celebrate

Professional and Personal News

For the second consecutive year, Rockingham County Board of Education chair, **Nell Rose**, was one of eight school board members in the state named to the distinguished All-State School Board by the North Carolina School Boards Association. Mrs. Rose was honored at an awards banquet held during the NCSBA's annual conference in Greensboro, November. (from www.rock.k12.nc.us) Congratulations Nell!!....**Cindy Sarwi**'s daughter, Katelyn, was crowned Princess of Bethany Elementary School at the Bethany Fall Festival. Katelyn is in the first grade and loves school, cheerleading, dancing, theatre, and singing....**Debbie Russell** and husband rode the train to New York City and spent the Thanksgiving holiday with two of their children and their spouses. She states, "Seeing the Macy's Parade in person should be fun as long as we can make our way across the city to our daughter's apartment for Thanksgiving Day lunch without a problem." They also plan to go to the Tenement Museum on the Lower East Side and maybe see a Broadway show.

Alpha Delta Book Corner

The book, **Unbroken**, by Laura Hillenbrand is getting great reviews from Alpha Delta members. Susan Thompson, Carol Holcomb, and Donna Rawlins all were greatly impressed and found the book unforgettable. Carol states, "The author also wrote **Seabiscuit**. **Unbroken** is a true story about World War II. It's one of those books you don't want to put down because it is so well written, but the story is difficult. I recommend this one especially for those whose parents were in WWII. Donna Rawlins also read **Snow Flower and the Secret Fan** by Lisa See. This is a story of nineteenth century China and the relationship between two young girls as they go through footbindings, arranged marriages, their loneliness and the joys and tragedies of motherhood. She also read **The Postmistress** by Sarah Blake. It is touching story of a small coastal town in Massachusetts during the early 1940's and the effects on the town after the United States joins the war.

Delta Kappa Gamma Alpha Delta Chapter October 7, 2011 Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met October 7, 2011 at Prospect United Methodist Church in Yanceyville. Hostesses were Carol Holcomb, Bonnie Brewer, Susan Lassiter, Karen Wakelee, and Martha Davis. Thirty members attended. Guest of Honor was Eta State President Linda S. Little.

Initiation of new members Melissa Bailey, Evangelina Balmori, Cathy Fleming, Anna Pruitt, Geneva Robertson, and Barbara Smith took place in the church sanctuary. Eta State President Little joined the chapter officers in conducting the ceremony.

President Cindy Sarwi led the business meeting. The minutes were approved. Treasurer Sharon Vaughn gave the financial report with a 6/30/2011 balance of \$4955.00. The Grant-In-Aid balance is \$1929.54. First Vice President Vanessa Richmond Graves announced the shoebox activity composed of member's memorabilia will be used for the March meeting. Second Vice President Debbie Russell distributed notebook inserts.

Committee Reports

- The 2011-2012 Alpha Delta budget proposal was published in the newsletter.
- Social Chairman Sandra Dickens reminded members that reservations for meals when absent should be paid to the treasurer by mail or at the next meeting.
- Communications Chairman Donna Rawlins announced that the state newsletter will continued to be mailed this year. However in the future it will be emailed.
- Scholarship Committee reminded members of the December scholarship auction.

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Old Business

President Sarwi asked if they were volunteers to organize the chapter to be Salvation Army bell ringers this year.

Eta State President Linda Little presented the evening's program. She emphasized lead, serve, and impact for DKG members. She also addressed the DKG initiative of nurturing new teachers in the first four years of their career. Closing out the evening, President Sarwi presented President Little and each of the new chapter members with a gift.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeryl Rice, Secretary

It's That Time of the Year

Susan Thompson

The Salvation Army needs your help to adopt angels and buy Christmas gifts for these angels. Susan Thompson has all the details and can match you up with an angel whose Christmas you can make a little brighter. The gifts must be delivered to the Salvation Army building on Barnes St. in Reidsville by December 12. Each child has a wish/needs list and you do not have to wrap the gifts. Please consider taking an angel. Contact Susan Thompson (tsusan530@aol.com) or phone (349-4199). Since we are not ringing the bell this year, perhaps you would consider adopting an angel.

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**Merry
Christmas**

