

# ALPHA DELTA NEWS

Alpha Delta Chapter  
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## From the President

Debbie Russell

Dear Sisters,

I'm sure that one recent event in Pakistan touched the hearts of all of our members. Young Malala Yousufzai was shot and critically injured because of her attempt to get an education and her boldness in speaking on behalf of other young schoolgirls. This news was chilling. As Americans, we do not face the tremendous obstacles to education that confront Malala and her classmates. We can hardly imagine her world. The fact that she is recovering is comforting, but the future of her efforts is uncertain. We wish we could help, but don't know how.

It *is* hard to see how we can help young students like Malala in such dangerous situations, but we can be at least a small part of the solution by strengthening education at home and encouraging it everywhere.

Many believe that educating young people (especially girls) globally is one of the most effective ways to change the world for the better. By contributing to Delta Kappa Gamma efforts, our chapter is responding to this need. Our scholarships and World Fellowships program offer women educators from all over the world the opportunity to come to the U.S. and study. They then return to their homes or work in developing countries to further education for others. Our Schools for Africa initiative in cooperation with UNICEF is another way to expand educational opportunities for young people in eleven African countries. I know that our chapter will make a substantial contribution to this effort in the coming months. Each year, we also contribute to the future of education here at home by offering a young woman from our area assistance with her education. All of these efforts have positive ripple effects into the lives of many others.

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  
**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA**

## President's Column - continued

To succeed, all of these projects need funds. This is our most immediate way of helping. As we come together for our December auction, we will enjoy being with each other, while knowing that we are also making a contribution to a young woman's education, her teaching career, and to the lives of all her future students.

Each holiday season, we have many calls for assistance and charitable giving and I know

that you respond generously. I celebrate your contributions to making our community and the world at large a better place.

Best wishes for a holiday season full of peace and joy.

Debbie

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## December Meeting

The December meeting of the Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International will be held at Brenda Atkins' home at 317 Highland Drive in Eden. We appreciate her kind invitation to have our Christmas meeting in her home on Friday, December 7, 2012. The social time will begin at 5:30 PM and dinner will be at 6:00 PM (earlier times because of the auction). Each person should bring something for the dinner and an item, or items, for the scholarship auction. We hope to have good attendance for this fun meeting and a successful auction.



### December Hostesses

Ginny Sharrow, Chair

Carolyn Lester

Geneva Robertson

Allison Wright

Catherine Massengale

If you are unable to attend the meeting, 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 the December meeting.

#### Directions to Brenda's House

##### 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 into the driveway on the right
- Brenda's house is a tall white house with green shutters and a circle driveway.

##### From Reidsville:

- From Hwy 14 turn left onto King's Highway
- Continue down the hill; look for overpass
- Turn left on to Highland Park Drive just before overpass.
- Take an immediate right and cross over the overpass
- Look for Leaksville-Spray Elementary School
- Brenda's house is the fourth house on the left from the school

## International News - [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

**The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International**  
**Established May 16, 1936**



**The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International founded its 80<sup>th</sup> state organization October 14, 2012 in Kochi, Japan, on the island of Shikoku .**



# The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

has come a long way  
in 76 years. We are  
all proud members!!

## Eta State News - [www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/)

# Cell Phone Users - Did You Know?

### IMPORTANT CELL PHONE INFORMATION

1. Protecting your cell phone – press \*#06# and your the phone will display its unique handset number. Write the number somewhere for safe keeping. If your phone is stolen, you can call your cell phone provider, report the loss and give this number to your service provider. The company can then disable the phone rendering it useless to the thief.
2. You can access free directory service from your cell phone by dialing 800free411, you will want to program this number into your phone. If you simply dial 411, your cell phone provider will charge you between \$1 and \$1.75 for each directory assistance call you make. This free link is funded by McDonald's.
3. A local worldwide emergency number to use is 112. This will cause your phone to search and locate nearby emergency services.
4. If your cell phone battery is low, it is possible to access some additional power by dialing \*3370#. This will increase the remaining power by about 50% from a power reserve which will be replenished when you charge the phone the next time..



### Upcoming Events

April 26 – 28, 2013

Eta State Convention

University Hilton, Charlotte, North Carolina

July 10 – 13, 2013

Southeast Region Conference

Kissimmee, Florida

## Letter from State President Linda Little

November can boast of being the month for voting, for being the birth month of my first grandchild, and for being the month set aside for a special holiday known as Thanksgiving. It's actually one of my favorite holidays. I learned some time ago that the holiday deserved its own recognition so we don't decorate for Christmas until the day after Thanksgiving.

A teacher, looking at the word, "Thanksgiving," would call the children's attention to it being a compound word. The first part being "Thanks" which is easy for us to remember because this is the day set aside for giving thanks- thanks for faith, family, friends, and food- just to name a few of those "gifts." "Giving" is the second part of that word. The first definition of "give" is to *to turn over the possession or control of to someone without cost or exchange; make a gift to*. Hmmm! That adds a dimension to Thanksgiving- not only do we give thanks on this day, but we are to give on this day as well. The giving can be through expressions of love and appreciation to our loved ones or giving our time to someone and it also serves as a good transition into the next month we acknowledge as Christmas. Giving without cost or exchange is the ultimate way of saying, "Thanks" for the "gifts" for which we are so blessed. November is here! It's the month right before Christmas, but I hope you will take time to enjoy Thanksgiving in its own right- a time to be thankful and a time to give of our time, our thoughts, and our acknowledgements of appreciation. Thanks to each of you for your expressions of kindness, your patience, and your support. God bless you and yours as you celebrate this special holiday of thanks-----giving!

*Linda Little*

Eta State President (2011-2013)



## Happy Birthday

### December

**Jeryl Rice** - 7

**Kay Diehl** - 8

**Jane Lockhart** - 17

**Brenda Atkins** - 21

**Karen Wakelee** - 27

### January

**Jennifer Jones** - 5

**Debbie Russell** - 7

**Martha Davis** - 10

**Marti Hyatt** - 13

**Anna Pruitt** - 14

**Deborah Crumpton** - 22

### February

**Vanessa Richmond-Graves** - 6

**Helen Moore** - 18

**Hilda Purgason** - 24



## Professional and Personal News

Congratulations to the following members...**Nell Rose** upon being reelected to the Rockingham County School Board. Nell sends her deepest appreciation to all the members for their support during this past election.....**Deborah Crumpton** who recently became “a “Yahyah” . Her daughter and son-in-law, Emily and Jonathan, welcomed their first child, Georgia Novella Jones who was born on October. 9,2012..**Brenda Atkins** was recently appointed to the Morehead Memorial Hospital Foundation. Brenda, an active community volunteer and former

educator was appointed chairman...**Jennifer Jones** recently received her recertification as a National Board Teacher...**Carolyn Loftis** recently had a lifetime dream come true. She was able to visit the beautiful city of Paris, France in early October. The trip was all she ever dreamed of!! One of the highlights of the trip was her trip to visit the Paris Opera House where the movie “Phantom of the Opera” was filmed. She was surprised to hear that there really is a lake beneath the building. (Do you remember that scene in the movie?)

### Mission

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education

### Vision

Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.

## Congratulations to Nell Rose

### Rose Named to Prestigious All-State School Board

Only eight board members in the state selected for this impressive honor

Rockingham County, N.C. – For the third 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 (NCSBA). Ms. Rose was honored at an awards banquet held during the NCSBA's annual conference in Greensboro, November 13.

Each of the state's 115 school boards in North Carolina has an opportunity every year to nominate a member for the NCSBA's prestigious Raleigh Dingman Award. The award is presented annually to a school board member in the state for outstanding leadership and educational service. From the nominations, the eight member All-State School Board is selected. All are chosen for the significant contributions to boardsmanship during their tenures. There are more than 900 school board members in the state.

This is the third consecutive year the Rockingham County Board of Education nominated Rose for the distinguished award. Her support of, and contributions to the students and staff in Rockingham County, have been numerous and valuable during her tenure as a board member. Rose has been a member of the board for over 19 years (since 1993) and is currently serving as chair. She is the only person on the board to have served as a member of all three boards that existed during the consolidation of four separate school systems. She is active in countless aspects of RCS' undertakings, including tenures on the Smart Start Board of Directors, the Early Childhood Advisory Committee, and Rockingham County's Reading Association, among others. Rose is also frequently seen at district athletic, cultural and professional development activities. She began her career in education as a teacher and still maintains her certification today. She takes her responsibilities as a school board member very seriously and has so far accumulated over 1100 hours of continuing education credit.



From:  
Rockingham County Schools  
Press Release  
November 26, 2012

## Rockingham County Reads

As in the past few years Alpha Delta has participated in the “Rockingham County Reads” event held annually by the Rockingham County libraries. Below are upcoming events to celebrate the 200th birthday of Charles Dickens. Mark your calendars so you may attend some of these wonderful activities.

Rockingham County Reads is a community-wide reading event that encourages citizens to read the same book and to discuss the issues raised by the book. The program is a partnership between the library, the Friends of the Library, the Reidsville Human Relations Commission, Rockingham Community College, and other interested individuals and organizations in Rockingham County.

2012 is the 200th year anniversary of Charles Dickens birth. Consequently, this year, instead of a single book the committee has decided to focus on everything Dickens.

The following is a list of Rockingham County Reads Events that will be occurring in our community:

### **A Christmas Carol Bible Study**

Sunday Mornings at 9 am November 12 at the Covington Wesleyan Church

### **Oliver Twist Movie Night**

January 31, 2013 at 5:30 at the Eden Public Library  
Refreshments will be provided

### **“An Evening with Charles Dickens”**

Discuss Charles Dickens works on February 4, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eden Library

### **A Tale of Two Cities: London and Reidsville- “Then and Now”**

In honor of Charles Dickens’ birthday, join us at the Reidsville Library for prizes, cake cutting and a toast to the legacy of Charles Dickens. Followed by a discussion of poverty, education and life in Victorian England as it compares to modern times. Share your insight from Bleak House, David Copperfield or Oliver Twist. The Event will take place February 7, 2013 at Noon at the Reidsville Library.

### **“Talk and Tea”: Great Expectations**

“Join the conversation as we sip tea and discuss a classic Dickens novel. The tea and discussion will take place at Noon on February 4, 2013 at the new Madison/Mayodan Library and 1:00 p.m. on February 11, 2013 at the Stoneville Library.

Copies of the newest selections are available at all library branches.

### **Quotes by Dickens**

Do you know which Dickens works these lines come from?

“It was the best of times, it war the worst of times.”

“Vices are sometimes virtues carried to the excess.”

“A day wasted on other is not wasted on oneself.”

“No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of others”

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## October Minutes

Delta Kappa Gamma  
Alpha Delta Chapter  
October 5, 2012

The Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met October 5, 2012 at the Museum and Archives of Rockingham County in Wentworth. Hostesses were Marguerite Holt, chair; Melissa Bailey, Rachel Scott, Barbara Smith, and Patsy Snyder. Thirty-one members attended. Museum director Kim Proctor presented a program on the museum mission and goals.

President Debbie Russell presided over the business meeting. Treasurer Sharon Vaughan reported a balance of \$7126.40 and the Grant in Aid \$2311.87. The minutes were approved. President Russell reported that the Executive Committee approved the motion by the Leadership Development Committee that the chapter provide funds for purchasing needed materials for the Battered Womens Shelter. The Executive Committee also approved the motion by the Scholarship Committee to raise the Grant in Aid total amount to \$1000 with installments of \$500 paid in two semesters.

President Russell's report began with recognition of chapter past presidents for their service and the giving of a door prize won by Paige McCargo. Alpha Delta summer events included a Greensboro lunch and museum visit, while the book club met with Karen Wakelee. President Russell and Second Vice President Catherine Massengale attended the June Officers' training in Asheboro.

Second Vice President Catherine Massengale distributed the new handbook inserts. Finance chair Susan Thompson reported that the audit of chapter finances went well and everything is in good order. Leadership Development chair Carol Holcomb reported that the next book club reading selection would be the Rockingham Reads book choice. There was clarification that the chapter, pending the Battered Womens Shelter's approval, would purchase under bed storage boxes up to and not exceeding \$100.00. Membership chair Rachel Scott distributed new membership applications. Pam Page made a motion to accept with regrets the resignation of Suzy Parks and the membership approved. Beginning Teacher Support chair Pam Page reported on potential plans for this new committee. Kay Diehl is chairing the Schools for Africa project.

Past President Cindy Sarwi presented President Russell with her President's pin. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeryl Rice, Secretary

# THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

## Recommendation for Invitation to Membership

Complete and return to Membership Committee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Type of membership (check one):  
(For qualifications, refer to Membership sections in the current *Constitution, International Standing Rules, and Handbook* before completing.)

Chapter Active   
State Honorary

Chapter Honorary   
International Honorary

2. Name of person recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) (First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

3. Address of proposed member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street, Route, P.O. Box)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State/Province/Country) (Zip/Postal Code)

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Include Area Code)

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Position title: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Total number of years as a professional educator: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Highest educational degree granted: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Field: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Professional accomplishments:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Community activities:  
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9. Endorsed by one or more members:

Signature	Chapter	State
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