

Eta State NC Convention 2018 April 27-29 Charlotte, NC

DKG Society Representative



Eta State NC is delighted to announce that Dr. Lyn Babb Schmid, DKG Immediate Past President, will be the Society Representative for the 2018 Convention in Charlotte. In addition to serving as 2014-2016 International President,

Dr. Schmid is also the 2017 recipient of the International Achievement Award. She is a member of the Administrative Board, current chair of the DKG Supporting Corporation, and a trustee of the DKG Educational Foundation.

During her term as international president, Dr. Schmid initiated the Recruitment Membership Plan and launched DKGNext, a group of young members focused on the future of DKG.

Sunday Brunch - Be Ready to Laugh!

Edna Thayer, AKA The Laughing Lady, holds two master's degrees, one in nursing and one in counseling, and worked as a nurse for over 40 years. She has authored or co-authored 2 award-winning books. The title for this presentation is "Humor for the Health of It" and is based on a book she co-authored, *A Mirthful Spirit, Embracing Laughter for Wellness*. Be prepared to laugh during this fun-filled talk on the benefits of joy and laughter for our health.



Convention Entertainment!

The Independence High School Patriot Singers are making quite a reputation for themselves in the Charlotte area, performing live on TV, welcoming guests to a posh country club Christmas party, singing for residents of a local nursing home, honoring veterans on Veterans Day, entertaining retired county government worker. Wherever they go, the Patriot Singers perform with all their heart and sing with intention and soul. DKG member Kristine "Kiki" Neale inherited this choral program ten years ago starting with 30 singers and has joyfully watched it grow to 150 singers this year. The Chamber Choir, pictured below, is students who have participated in the Patriot Singers for all four years of high school. The first word these students use when asked about their experience is "family." A teacher couldn't ask for a greater gift!



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Let's SPARKLE!

GOALS:
 Encourage Savvy leadership
 Inspire Passionate, meaningful programs and projects
 Analyze and Articulate current educational issues
 Further Respect for diversity in membership
 Promote Knowledge through lifelong learning
 Establish and Launch a member wellness initiative
 Advocate Excellence in education

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Please insert Eta State NC in the
 subject line when sending an email
 to state officers.
 Thanks!

Eta State has several goals moving us forward this biennium. Two of these goals are: *Advocate Excellence in Education* and *Inspire Passionate Meaningful Programs and Projects*. Chapter members are **SPARKLING** in North Carolina by providing school supplies for children, grants for students, scholarships for teachers, and sharing both time and resources to improve our communities. These acts of kindness show the generosity of our members and the passion for assisting others. In visiting chapters, I have seen members that are excited about using the new membership recruitment plan. If your chapter hasn't tried the plan, contact your Regional Director for more information.

Plans are being made for the 2018 Eta State NC Convention in Charlotte. It will provide workshops and speakers who will inspire, refresh, and renew us as we have opportunities to network and learn. Interacting with other leaders across the state provides us with new ideas to make us stronger, more effective leaders.

Come to Charlotte and network with your colleagues from around the State. **Let's SPARKLE!**

Connie Savell
 Eta State NC President

**Eta State NC Convention
2018
Charlotte, NC
Region VI Hosting**

Theme: **Let's SPARKLE!**
Hilton Charlotte University Place
April 27-29, 2018

For convention information visit:
<https://www.ncdkg.org/2018-convention.html>

Convention Project

Hurricane Matthew Aftermath is the 2018 Convention project. Donations may be given in the form of:

- Gift card
- Certified check
- Money order
- Any guaranteed monetary gift

Checks and money orders should be made to United Way of Robeson County with reference to Eta State NC Convention project. **No cash, please**



**THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL
ETA STATE NC CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM**

April 27-29 2018 Registration Due to Convention Treasurer by April 1, 2018
Hilton Charlotte University Place 8629 JM Keynes Drive Charlotte, NC 28262

Hotel Reservations – Call 1-704-547-7444 Request Delta Kappa Gamma group rate. Rooms are \$115 + tax for single or double. Rate in effect until April 3, 2018, or until rooms are filled. Parking is free.

Convention Registration – Mail completed registration form and check made payable to *Eta State Convention* to Terry Norris Convention Treasurer, 604 Tidewater Drive, Sanford, NC 27330-9278. Registration by credit card can be sent by email to etastatetreasurer2018@gmail.com

Everyone must register, including award recipients, presenters, and those who are assisting during the convention.

NO REFUNDS from Eta State after April 1, 2018.

Use one form for each person. Please type or print.

Dr. Miss Ms. Mrs. Last _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Preference for Name Tag _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Chapter Name _____ Region _____ Year Initiated _____

Check all boxes that apply. Current state officers and/or current state committee members, please include position held.

State Officer Other Position Past State President
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Current Position Held _____

Chapter President Guest NBCT Retired Active in Education
 Current Teacher of the Year 40+ Year Member *Beginning Teacher (0-4 yrs.) Wish to Participate in Convention Choir Attending First Convention

Registration Fee (Please choose only one fee from the following.)	Cost	Amount
Postmarked by April 1, 2018	\$35.00	
*Reduced registration fee for Beginning Teachers	\$25.00	
Postmarked by April 1, 2018 (one day)	\$20.00	
Postmarked after April 1, 2018 or on site	\$45.00	
Saturday, April 28		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reception before Banquet (Everyone is invited.)	No charge	
<input type="checkbox"/> Banquet Honoring Chapter Presidents (Select one entrée.)	\$47.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Roulade of Chicken OR <input type="checkbox"/> Pan Roasted Salmon		
<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Make my entrée gluten free.		
Sunday, April 29		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Brunch	\$32.00	
<i>(All meals include gratuity and tax.)</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> PAY BY CHECK	Total Registration Fee	
<input type="checkbox"/> PAY BY CREDIT CARD	Total Registration Fee from above	
	Add credit card processing fee	\$4.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX <input type="checkbox"/> Discover		
Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____		
Name on Card _____ Security Code _____		
	Total Amount Charged to Credit Card	

Banquet and Brunch meal tickets CANNOT be sold after Monday, April 16.

Materials may not be available to persons who register after Monday, March 26 or on site.

Questions about registration: Contact Linda Truitt, Convention Registrar, eclmtruitt@gmail.com

Questions about payments: Contact Terry Norris, Convention Treasurer, etastatetreasurer2018@gmail.com

NC DKG Educational Foundation Awards Project Grants

NC DKG Educational Foundation Board

Dot Carter, Member

From “Edible Book Reports” and sending books home with kindergarten students to “Living an Inspired Life,” comparing old and new technologies, and “Helping Struggling Readers,” the 2017-18 educational projects funded by the North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation are activating exciting ideas across the state! The purpose of Foundation grants is to support educators in implementing their creativity, community outreach, and chapter involvement. Five grants of \$250 were awarded in the 2017-18 cycle.

The Foundation is now receiving grant proposals for the 2018-19 cycle. Information about grants and proposal forms are on the Foundation website (www.ncdkgef.org). Proposals are due September 31, 2018. Awards will be announced by November 15, 2018. The 2018-19 cycle will see four awards up to \$500 each.



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NOTICES:

*Send address and email changes
IMMEDIATELY
to your chapter treasurer and to
DKG International Office.*

Log in to www.dkg.org
to change your personal information.
Don't miss a single DKG publication!

*All photographs used in this issue were submitted
to the editor for use in Eta State News.*



In Memoriam

- White Roses -

Name	Chapter	Date of Death
Carolyn Peters Spencer	Beta Nu	July 9, 2017
Lois Elizabeth Frazier	Gamma Eta	July 15, 2017
Kathryn Workman Finger	Nu	October 29, 2017
Peggy Lewis Rudisill Drum	Gamma Phi	October 30, 2017
Betty Jean Pearson Sherrill	Nu	November 19, 2017
Bybe Graham	Gamma	November 23, 2017
Katie Marie Bunch	Delta Nu	December 10, 2017
Dr. Barbara Capps	Alpha Iota	December 31, 2017

Reporting the Death of a Member

Chapter presidents are reminded to *report the death of a member immediately* to International and to Eta State. The interactive report form (Form 6) can be found at www.dkg.org under Forms. Complete Form 6 online and email or mail a copy to:

- Membership Services Administrator
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McCain Roast Raises Funds for NC DKG Educational Foundation

NC DKG Educational Foundation Board

Maxine McCall, Secretary

Guests gathered on September 23, 2017 at Wilson Community College for a gala event: the **Roasting of Betty McCain!**

McCain, a beloved humanitarian and political icon in North Carolina, drew approximately one hundred devotees to the Roast. This fund-raising event for the NC DKG Educational Foundation was a celebration of



*Betty McCain & Dr. Judith Carlson,
Foundation Board Chair*

McCain's life as well as a gentle "roast." Emcee Margaret Church, in her inimitable style, drew laughter from the audience, as did McCain's roasters, with their recall of humorous stories about her in addition to accolades for her achievements.

McCain's roasters included DKG member Liz Rue, who recommended McCain for State Honorary Membership in Delta Kappa Gamma; Betsy Buford, who worked with McCain when she was NC Secretary of Cultural and Human Resources; and former Governor Jim Hunt, who complimented both McCain and DKG in his video appearance.

Foundation Board members organized the Roast that cleared \$5,680 for the Foundation.

"Paving the Way" Project

Headquarters Committee

Edris Glover, Chair



The Headquarters Committee announced that the "Paving the Way" Project will end May 5, 2018. You still have time to purchase a brick. Order forms can be found on Eta State NC website under [Forms](#). Send the completed form and payment to Mrs. Ruth Jones, Treasurer, 3607 Wyneston Road, Greenville, NC 27858.

ATTENTION!! Coming in Early March . . .



Rules Committee

Tammy Cullom, Chair

Proposed amendments to the Eta State *Standing Rules* will be emailed to chapter presidents by March 1, 2018. Please read and prepare for discussion of these proposals at the Executive Board Meeting and second General Session at the Eta State NC Convention in Charlotte.

Mark Your Calendar

2018

- March 1 Golden Key Award nomination due
Rising Star Award nomination due
Chapter Achievement Award due
Communication Awards (Newsletter, Website, Excellence) due
- April 27-29 Eta State NC Convention
Hilton Charlotte University Place
Charlotte, NC Region VI
- June 11 Tee Up for Teachers
Boone Golf Club
- June 22 Greensboro
June 23 Wilson - Barton College
June 26 Black Mountain - Christmont
- July 16-20 DKG International Convention
JW Marriott Austin
Austin, TX
- September 15 Eta State Executive Board Meeting
Elon Community Church
Elon, NC

2019

- May 3-5 Eta State NC Convention
Crowne Plaza
Hickory, NC Region X
- June 25-27 Southeast Regional Conference
Crowne Plaza Tennis & Golf Resort
Asheville, NC

Follow the RULES

Rules Committee

Tammy Cullom, Chair



Have your Chapter Rules been updated and checked by a member of the Rules Committee? If you are not sure, contact your Regional Director. The process for submitting Chapter Rules to be checked is as follows:

1. Update Chapter Rules to reflect changes to the *DKG International Constitution and Standing Rules*, as well as the *Eta State Bylaws and Standing Rules*.
2. Use the 2016 [Rules Checklist](#) for recent changes.
3. Send your updated rules to your Regional Director.
4. Regional Directors will:
 - Review your Chapter Rules
 - Recommend revisions to the chapter
 - Forward Rules to the Eta State Rules Committee.
5. Eta State Rules Committee will:
 - Email confirmation of approval to the chapter
 - File Rules

The Rules Committee thanks you for your time and effort in completing the rules revision process.



Vision Statement

Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide

Mission Statement

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

Wellness Challenge - Wonders of Water EEC Update

Educational Excellence Committee

Dr. Teresa H. Cowan, Eta State 1st VP & EEC Chair

When President Savell launched the Wellness Challenge, your EEC presented the Wonders of Water. The sisters of Eta State were encouraged to “Think globally and act locally in their pursuit of wellness for self and others!” Since the launch, sisters and chapters have accepted the challenge in a variety of ways. Read on to learn a few.

- Chapter programs have focused upon “**Following the Liter**” which highlights the progress toward the mission of providing safe drinking water for an entire school year to the children of Africa.
- Sisters have purchased **LifeStraws** for personal use, as gifts for loved ones and to donate to agencies that aid persons in their quest for safe drinking water. Every product purchased by an Eta State sister helps a school child of Kenya receive safe water for an entire school year.
- Chapters and individual sisters have made financial donations to **The LifeStraw Safe Water Fund**. This fund works to expand the mission to countless school children in Kenya.

EEC is excited to see how the Wonders of Water and the Wellness Challenge continues to thrive throughout the sisterhood of Eta State and beyond.

The Eta State Wellness Initiative and the EEC LifeStraw Project supports the DKG/UN Relationship which is enhanced through CTAUN (Committee on Teaching About the United Nations). Check out <http://www.teachun.org/> for more details.



Children helping children!
Hallie & Lucas Golden
(Grandchildren of Bonnie Golden, Alpha Phi)

**Next Eta State News Deadline:
April 10, 2018**

The *AMAZING* Corn Maze

Alpha Phi Member

Bonnie Golden



Alpha Phi sisters volunteer at the Eliada Home for Children's AMAZING Corn Maze

Bales of hay. Corn stalks. Giant spider webs. Corn cannons. These things and more faced the **Alpha Phi** Chapter of Buncombe and Madison counties in their volunteer effort at Eliada Home for Children in Asheville. On a beautiful Saturday in October, ten Sisters met to assist during the busy event. The Eliada Homes Corn Maze is WNC's only non-profit corn maze, but after volunteering for this event, the sisters of Alpha Phi learned that there was much more to this operation than helping folks find their way through the corn stalks. The volunteers picked and shucked corn, assisted in races among hay bales, even helped load and maintain the corn cannon. Their efforts helped raise money for the much-needed care and education of the children that reside at the Home. This was Alpha Phi's first time to volunteer for Eliada, but since a great time was had by all, it may not be the last!

Gamma Epsilon Hosts First Charity Bike Ride

Gamma Epsilon President

Michelle Basden

Gamma Epsilon Chapter (*Region II, Jones*) of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International hosted their first annual Charity Bike Ride on October 21, 2017. **Julie Mercer**, Gamma Epsilon member, was one of 30 riders who participated in the event. Participants could ride a 5, 15, or 30 mile course starting at Trenton Elementary School. Flythe's Bike Shop of New Bern marked the courses, followed, and assisted riders. All money raised was used to support families in need located within the Jones County area during the holiday season. Thirteen members assisted in serving lunch to the riders following the bike ride.

Supporting Teachers

Alpha Epsilon President

Jennifer Helton

The Sisters of **Alpha Epsilon** (*Region X, Cleveland*) delivered a basket full of goodies to the faculty and staff of James Love Elementary to show we are so thankful for the hard work and dedication to the children of Cleveland County.

Alpha Pi Raises Scholarship Funds

Alpha Pi President

Edris Glover

Region V Director, Patricia Burnette, traveled to Siler City, NC to attend the **Alpha Pi** (*Region V, Orange & Chatham*) annual Christmas Scholarship Auction and Dinner.

Entertainment was provided by the Alpha Pi officers who read, "The Teachers Night Before Christmas." Music and song was presented by Alpha Pi sister Rebecca Pickard and her husband. The auction and Christmas gift card tree raffle were a great success for our Scholarship Fund.

A Winning Way to Increase Attendance & Participation

Delta Mu Member
Willie Harriett

Is your chapter looking for a way to increase attendance at chapter meetings? Do you want members to be more involved in DKG activities? **Delta Mu** (Region IV, Sampson, Wayne, & Harnett) wants to help with a creative idea. Members earn a ticket for any of the following:

- Attend a meeting
- Help with fund raisers
- Nominate a new member
- Win any kind of chapter award
- Attend a state meeting



All tickets are placed in a jar. At the end of the fiscal year, one ticket (with the member's name on the back) is drawn from the jar. That member will have her dues for the following year paid by the chapter. It has been a *winning* incentive!!

Omicron Volunteers

Omicron President
Jean Yelerton

Omicron (Region XII, Wilson & Greene) Chapter chose to help foster children in Wilson County for their project this year. Treasurer Marsha Irvin distributed an electronic sign-up sheet for the requested toys and clothes for the children ages 18 months - 14 years old. Omicron members signed up, purchased, and brought the gifts to the November meeting, where the presents were wrapped and presented to Quanesha Archer, DSS Supervisor of Wilson County Foster Children, for distribution to the children.

Send chapter news to
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Region XI Director
Suzi Cabe

Almost 50 members of **Region XI**, Eta State NC, Delta Kappa Gamma, came together on Saturday, October 28, for a morning of fellowship and crafting. Members were joined by Eta State NC President Connie Savell and First Vice-President Teresa Cowan. The opening session of **Creative Colors of Fall** featured Robin Smathers sharing her life story set to music followed by a storytelling presentation by Jill Totman. Concurrent sessions included paper making, felt needling, gentle Chi yoga, card making, and an informational presentation about Penland School of Crafts. Attendees ended the day with fellowship and a salad buffet lunch. Gamma, Alpha Phi, and Alpha Chi chapters served as hostesses.

Eta State NC

Well Represented in *Collegial Bulletin*

Congratulations to Eta State NC members who contributed three articles, photographs, and paintings to the 2017, Volume 84-2 issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: Collegial Exchange*.

The article "The Unsuspecting Teacher Leader" by Dr. **Christine Smith**, a member of **Alpha Lambda**, discusses how administrators work to recognize and nurture leadership potential by providing opportunities for growth.

Delta Rho member **Reinette S. Stephenson** describes the annual chapter Spelling Bee in the article "Beginning With Balloons." Photographs published with the article were submitted by **Delta Rho** president, **Patricia Pemberton**.

Marilyn Preddy and **Mary Beth Dailey**, members of **Beta Omicron**, submitted the article "Bringing 'Little Red' History to Life through Artifacts from A-Z."

The oil painting entitled "Where's Penny?" by **Susan Bailey Owens**, **Beta Upsilon**, and an acrylic painting entitled "Memories" by **Willie H. Harriett**, **Delta Mu**, are also featured in this issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: Collegial Exchange*.

The articles and artwork can be found at the following link for *The Bulletin*:

http://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Publications/Bulletin/Journal/Journal_2017_84-1/Food_for_Thought_Learning_More_about_Generations.aspx

Eta State NC Members Sparkle

Iota

(Region II, Wayne)

Peggy Seegars, member of Iota Chapter, received the honor of the Long Leaf Pine Award presented by State Representative John Bell and State Senator Don Davis. The honor was awarded for her work with services on aging.



Left to right: NC State Representative John Bell; Peggy Seegars, Iota; & NC State Senator Don Davis

Gamma Chi

(Region III, Warren)

Congratulations to **Tracey Neal** on being selected the 2017-2018 Principal of the Year for Warren County Schools and **Patricia Williamson** on being selected as the school system's Stellar Performer by the Warren County Board of Education. At a recent Gamma Chi meeting, two special chapter awards were presented by Dr. Sylvia Alston, Awards Committee chairman. **Harriet Banzet** was presented with a pin and certificate to commemorate her 40 years of active service to DKG and **Jenny O'Meara** received the Gamma Chi Rookie Award. The Rookie Award is given to recognize younger members who have evidenced leadership potential since joining DKG.



Left to right: 40-Year Service Recipient Harriet Banzet; Awards Committee chair, Dr. Sylvia Alston; and Rookie Award Recipient, Jenny O'Meara

Beta Xi

(Region VII, Guilford & Davidson)

Beta Xi Chapter proudly recognized member **Giselle Mansi-Dedios** at their December meeting. High Point University announced Giselle had joined the Office of Student Success as a student success coach who helps advise and guide incoming freshmen and sophomores majoring in communication.

Omicron

(Region II, Wilson & Greene)

Omicron member **Diane Hooks** and husband Ashley were presented the Bulldog Club Award from Barton College (formerly Atlantic Christian College) at homecoming festivities. The award is presented for steadfast commitment and loyalty to Barton College.

Alpha Beta

(Region III, Johnston)

Alpha Beta chapter has two members that have been appointed to the Johnston Community College Board of Trustees. **Mary Daughtry** was appointed by the Johnston County Board of Education in 2016 and **Lynn Harloe Ragsdale** was appointed by the Johnston County Commissioners in 2017. The Board of Trustees sets all local policy and appoints the College president. In addition, the Board of Trustees has authority to disperse funds as delegated by the State Board of Community Colleges.

Send member achievements to
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Gamma Lambda

(Region I, Edgecombe)

Amanda Evans, a member of **Gamma Lambda** and fourth-grade teacher at New Hope Elementary was named the 2017-2018 Wilson County Teacher of the Year. This is not the first time that Amanda has been lauded as an outstanding teacher! Previously, when Amanda taught in Edgecombe County, she was named the Edgecombe County Public Schools' Teacher of the Year. The 18-year veteran says, "Teaching is a passion for me. I am a lifelong learner and that is what I want my students to be. I just love learning. The things that I do in my classroom, I am very enthusiastic about them and I think because of that, my students feed off of that. I have high expectations for them and they really take to that."



Dr. Deborah Lamm, a member of **Gamma Lambda** chapter, a 38-year employee of the community college system, and the president of Edgecombe Community College since 2004, was named recipient of the 2017 Southern Regional Chief Executive Officer by the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT). Dr. Lamm was selected for the award for establishing innovative programs and partnerships which have improved the effectiveness of the community college education that students are receiving in Edgecombe County. While serving as president of the NC Association of Community College Presidents during 2016-2017, Dr. Lamm created Community College Day in the NC General Assembly. Dr. Lamm is the first North Carolinian from a small to medium-size community college to win this award. Gamma Lambda is very proud to have this lovely lady and outstanding educator as a member of our chapter!



Left to right: Dr. Bakari Lee, past ACCT chair; Dr. Deborah Lamm, Gamma Lambda; &



Are you ready to head to the birthplace of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society? Here are some very important things to know:

- The JW Marriott is the convention hotel. Online [hotel reservations](#) can be made *NOW* — or by calling 844-473-3959. Ask for the DKG Convention Block.
- The DKG Convention [online registration](#) is open. A print copy is also available in the Jan/Feb 2018 *DKG News*.
- The [convention schedule](#) is available on the DKG website.
- [Vendor and Exhibitor Applications](#) are due April 15, 2018.

Eta State members who will be attending the DKG International Convention in Austin need to send your name to Eta State NC Executive Secretary, Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon:

etaexecsecretary@gmail.com

International Dates to Remember

2018

Feb. 5	Submission deadline for DKG Arts & Humanities Spring Gallery
Mar. 18-21	US Forum National Legislative Seminar
Mar. 1	Submission deadline for <i>Bulletin: Journal</i>
May 1	Deadline to apply for Lucile Cornet Individual PD Awards
May 15	Submission deadline for <i>Bulletin: Collegial Exchange</i>
May 15	Report of chapter officers due (even years only)
July 1	Filing of the 990-N form (due November 15)
July 15	Chapter Treasurer Annual Report due