

Alpha Delta News

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"Let's Sparkle"

Leading Women Educators Impacting Education World

Greetings!

I hope that all of you have weathered the winter well and are looking forward to Spring. The time since Christmas has been exceptionally challenging for those of us employed by Rockingham County Schools. The technology problems that plagued our school system have made me aware of the degree to which I rely on technology. Problems with phone service, internet, processing and printing have greatly deceased my productivity at work. Thankfully, things are gradually improving, but many school employees have lost valuable data stored on computers, that they may never be able to access again. I am much more conscious of security and am backing up more data than I have been in the past. This has been a cautionary tale regarding our dependence on the convenience of technology. Hopefully, many of you are retired and were spared this experience.

Now, with March on the horizon I am looking forward to our meeting and the opportunity to meet our ETA State president, Connie Savell. In addition, our regional director, Mary Beth Dailey, and her chapter president have decided to attend the meeting. It will be lovely to have ladies from other chapters join us for the evening and hope you will join me in making them welcome at our meeting. *continued p. 2*

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I am also looking forward to attending my first ETA State Convention in April. I know that Rachel Scott will join me in Charlotte for the convention and invite anyone interested to join us. See you on Friday.

Your President.

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March Meeting

The March meeting of the Alpha Delta Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International will be on Friday, March 2, 2018, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church. The church is located just off Highway 14 between Eden and Reidsville. The address is 1891 Bethlehem Church Road, Reidsville, NC. Fellowship time will begin at 6:00 PM and the meal will be served at 6:30 PM. Winky Pasour and her family will be preparing a delicious meal for us. The price of the meal is \$15.00 which includes the meal and an honorarium for the church. Hopefully, everyone will be able to attend and enjoy the meal and the program.

March Hostesses

Paige McCargo, Chair
Evangelina Balmori
Jeryl Rice
Susan Thompson

Menu

Parmesan Chicken

Green Beans

Garden Salad

Pasta Salad

Yeast Rolls

Assorted Desserts

Tea, Lemonade, Water

\$15.00

A Special Alpha Delta Welcome

To

Eta State President

Connie Savell



Convention Project Announced

Helping Hands for Hurricane Matthew Aftermath

The chapters of Region VI have chosen Hurricane Matthew Aftermath as their Outreach Project for the 2018 Eta State NC Convention. Your helping hands will aid children and their families recovering from the devastation they are still feeling over a year later.

Doris Littlejohn, Convention Chair, explained about the project. "Citizens from Robeson County, part of Region VI, suffered the greatest devastation. Presently, most of the families have returned to their homes and have attempted to make their transition back to normalcy. Yet for others, the move back to their residences has been a very slow and grueling process. Some of the families moving back to their homes are experiencing difficulties and are trying to provide the basic necessities to survive. This project will assist displaced families in Robeson County with some of the relief they need. Items such as appliances, furniture, and bedding are big needs. Region VI will be working closely with United Way of Robeson County to make sure all children and their families obtain the items they need. Contributions are desired and will be appreciated."

Donations to the Hurricane Matthew Aftermath project can be given in the form of a gift card, certified check, money order, or any other guaranteed currency monetary gift. The committee asks that no cash be given. Checks and money orders may be written to United Way of Robeson County with reference to the Eta State NC Convention Project. If there are any questions, Doris Littlejohn, Convention Chair, invites you to contact her at dalittlejohn1 @bellsouth.net or leave a message at 910-276-8468.



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

From Our Eta State President

Stress is a fact of life, especially in our fast-pace, multidimensional lives. Excessive stress is dangerous to our heart health. Burning the candle at both ends and family responsibilities can cause our hearts to suffer. If you are too busy to spend time with friends and to do things you enjoy, it is time to evaluate personally and professionally!

As we celebrate love in the month of February for Valentine's Day, ponder this to help relieve some stress:

Have you spent time with someone you I love?

Have you treated yourself to a piece of dark chocolate?

Have you called a friend to just talk?

DKG provides genuine spiritual fellowship, which is good for your heart health, so take time to participate on the chapter, state, and International levels.

Keep Sparkling and please take good care of yourself!

Connie Connie Phifer Savell
Eta State NC President
2017-2019



Tee Up for Teachers

June 11, 2018 - Save the date!

Be part of the fun and the fundraising at the first charity golf tournament to benefit The NC DKG Educational Foundation. Tee Up for Teachers will be held at one of the top rated public courses in NC, Boone Golf Club, just off US 321. Start planning your getaway to enjoy the beautiful landscape and spectacular scenery of this High Country event.

If you are interested in playing or putting a team together, contact Sheila Groves, svgeta97@gmail.com, or Dr. Barbara Leonard, drbleonard0@gmail.com.

Even if you aren't a golfer, there are many opportunities for members and friends of the Foundation to show their support as volunteers and sponsors. More information coming soon!

New DKG App Available

A new DKG app is available! Delete your old app and download the new one!

The new app will have two parts—an everyday app (called the 365) with news and updates you'd normally find on the website but in a for-

mat easier to use on your mobile devices, and the convention app with maps, schedules, speakers and more, specifically about the convention. The 365 portion is ready now. Click on the graphic to go to



the DKG website to learn more and find links to the downloads. You must be logged in to see it.

"Start Spreading the Word" About Visiting the Legislature

By: Susan Phipps, Chair, ELP Committee

These song lyrics sound perfect for letting our members know that the Educational Law and Policy Committee has set three different dates for Legislative Day(s) 2018. On the following dates at least one member of the ELP Committee will be in the front lobby of the NC Legislative Building in Raleigh at 9:00 a.m. to greet DKG members arriving to speak with their elected Senators and Representatives: June 6, June 13, and June 20. Lawmakers need to hear from constituents who are truly informed and passionate about what is happening to education in our state. They need to hear from NC students through the voices of their teachers, past and present. Much is riding on such conversations in 2018. Let's begin now to make plans to come to Raleigh individually and in small groups.

Road trip!

The EL&P Committee also wishes to alert members that the 2018 Legislative Issues Survey is now out and in the hands of chapter presidents and ELP chapter legislative contacts. Be sure to submit the electronic survey so your voice can be heard in the resulting White Paper which will be based on survey results, shared with all legislators, and placed on the Eta State NC website for the use of all NC members.

Stay Connected to DKG....

International Website: www.dkg.org

Eta State NC Website: www.ncdkg.org

Facebook: Delta Kappa Gamma

Alpha Delta Website: www.alphadelta.weebly.com

Congratulations to Winky Pasour. Her story, <u>A</u>

<u>Promise Kept</u>, was published in *Refresh Bible Study Magazine*. Go to this link to read the touching story.

https://goo.gl/TUuF2H

Convention Dates

April 27 - 29, 2018 — Eta State NC Convention, Hilton Charlotte University Place, Charlotte, NC (Region VI)

 $\label{eq:July 16-20, 2018-DKG International Convention, JW} \\ \text{Marriott, Austin, TX}$

May 3-5, 2019 — Eta State NC Convention, Hickory , NC $\,$

June 27-29, 2019 — Southeast Regional Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville, NC



Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters,

Please join us at Main Street United Methodist Church, Reidsville, on Sunday March 4th at 6:00 PM. Our winter concert will feature Elizabeth Vonn Trapp, granddaughter of the famous Von Trapp family of SOUND OF MUSIC FAME. Please come! ~Marguerite



APRIL

Paige McCargo - 19

Megan Roberton - 28

MAY

Norma Williams - 6

Kasie Pruitt - 13

Nell Rose - 15

Marguerite Holt - 19



We send our deepest sympathy to Paige McCargo. Her mother, Thelma Spoon, passed away February 13, 2018.

We also offer our condolences to Carol Summerlin in the loss of her husband, Gerald Summerlin, Sr. who passed away February 13, 2018

December 2017 Dinner/Auction

Our December Christmas meal and auction was a terrific success. Attendees came with their favorite dishes and finger foods. After our time of food and fellowship, we had our annual Christmas auction. Beautiful items, many handmade, were auctioned off by Rachel Scott and her assistant, Jennifer Jones. Or chapter raised \$1,821.00. for our Grant In Aid Fund. What a great experience.

Paige McCargo was the bidding winner of the "sparkling-bejeweled" wine/ dinner "tray."















Delta Kappa Gamma Society Alpha Delta Chapter December 1, 2017 Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of DKG met December 1, 2017 at First Baptist Church, Eden, NC. Hostesses were Lynda Perry, chair, Deborah Crumpton, Catherine Massengale, Nell Rose, and Carol Summerlin. Thirty-three members attended.

President Catherine Massengale conducted the business meeting. The October minutes were approved. The emailed treasury report recorded an ending balance of \$7939.42 and the Grant in Aid \$3108.71. President Massengale elaborated on editing the Chapter rules to comply with the new Eta State rules. Voting on the changes to the chapter's rules will be at the next meeting.

Lynne Haynes reported for the Committee on Beginning Teachers concerning the two grant recipients. Rose Graves at Stoney Creek Elementary in Caswell County will use the grant money for Social Studies materials. Allison Jordan at Moss Street Elementary in Reidsville will purchase reading books.

Susan Thompson of the Leadership Development Committee recognized Lynda Perry for completing the most volunteer hours in the allotted time period.

The evening was concluded with a successful auction to raise funds for the chapter's Grant in Aid program. Chair Patsy Snyder recorded sales, while Rachel Scott and Jennifer Jones served as auctioneers.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Jeryl Rice, Secretary



Schools for Africa is a campaign founded in 2004 by UNICEF, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and Hamburg Society for the Promotion of Democracy and International Law to promote education for children in Africa. DKG vote to make tis its fist official international project at the 2010 International Convention. Thirteen countries are presently helped with this project.

Monetary donations using the form designed by UNICEF for DKG members support the project. Download the form on the DKG web site under the Educational Excellence Committee link. UNICEF cannot accept material donations.

Use of the funds varies with the needs of the children in the countries being served. Some ways in which your donation might be used include:

- Building or rehabilitating schools
- Providing clean water and separate sanitation facilities for boys and girls
- Supplying books, pens, furniture, and other school and sports materials

Members are reminded to start a collection of books and CDs to be used for our sale at the May meeting. Monies collected will be used to support Schools for Africa.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER TREASURER'S REPORT

Dec. 1, 2017 - March 2, 2018

OPENING BALANCE: December 1, 2017 \$ 7,939.42

INCOME:

12/4/17 Auction 1,821.00

12/19/17 Add'tl Auction 150.00 Transfer \$500 from GIA (sch) to

cover Makenzie Wilson check 500.00

TOTAL INCOME <u>2,471.00</u>

TOTAL AVAILABLE \$10,410.42

EXPENSES:

First Baptist Church 50.00

Honorarium

Transfer 1/2 2017 Auction 986.00

to GIA (Scholarship)

Makenzie Wilson — 2nd 500.00

Payment on 2017 Sch.

TOTAL EXPEN <u>1,536.00</u>

ENDING BALANCE: March 2, 2018 \$ 8,874.42

GRANT-IN-AID (SCHOLARSHIP FUND)

OPENING BALANCE: December 1, 2017 \$ 3,108.71

DEPOSITS: 1/2 2017 Auction 986.00

Interest Earned (Nov-Jan) .88 + 986.88 +986.88

WITHDRAWAL: To Checking to cover 2nd

Pymt. 2017 Sch. Recipient M. Wilson - 500.00

NET GAIN: 486.88

ENDING BALANCE: March 2, 2018 \$ 3,595.59