

Alpha Delta News

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DKG: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

In Loving Memory Mary Hux October 7, 1977 - Hugust 30, 2016

From the President

While I look forward to the start of a new biennium for our Alpha Delta Chapter, I do so with mixed feelings. I am excited about my first meeting as president and hope I will rise to the challenge, but my heart is heavy when I remember that our beloved member Mary Hux is no longer with us. The memory of her infectious smile and the twinkle in her eyes will always be with me. While it is sad to say goodbye to those in our chapter who have passed away, I like to think about how blessed we are to have had their guidance and leadership.

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President's Column Continued

These outstanding women educators who have gone on before us have been crucial to our chapter as role models for leadership among our members. I particularly remember Peggy Phillips and of course my own mother, Brenda Atkins and am sure each of you have your own special memories of members we have lost. I like to think we take the best of these great women with us as our chapter moves forward. We will begin our October 7 meeting with a ceremony of remembrance for Mary Hux, allowing us to honor her as we begin a new year.

It will be wonderful to see you and catch up with everyone at our October meeting. Special thanks to Wanda Smith and Ruth Williamson for working with me this summer. Literacy is of course at the heart of education and we are lucky to have Dee Martin from the Literacy Project as our guest speaker. I am eager to hear details about adult literacy in our county and hope there will be opportunities for us to assist.

Also, please be thinking about potential new members for our chapter. We will turn in nomination forms in December for new members. Be on the lookout for qualified women who could positively impact our chapter. I hope to see as many of you as possible for a great kick-off to the year!

Wishing all of you well!

Catherine Massengale

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October Meeting



The October meeting of the Alpha Delta Chapter of The Delta Kappa

Gamma Society International will be at Calvary Baptist Church in Reidsville, NC on Friday, October 7, 2016. The church is located at 7860 NC Highway 87 on the way from Reidsville to Wentworth. Many of our members attend Calvary and Megan Robertson's husband is the pastor there.

Social Time will begin at 6:00 PM and the meal will follow at 6:30 PM.

Directions: The church is located on Highway 87 between Reidsville and Wentworth. The church is at the stoplight at intersection of Hwy 87 and Sandy Cross Road. The entrances to the fellowship hall are at the sides of the building.



Hostesses



Rachel Scott, Chair

Megan Robertson

Melissa Bailey

Jennifer Jones

Donna Rawlins

Menu

Baked Chicken

Twice Baked Potato Casserole

Salad

Rolls

Coffee/Tea

Dessert

The price of the meal is \$15.00 and includes an honorarium for the church.

Opportunities for Service (and to earn points!)

The Salvation Army of Rockingham County needs help taking applications for Christmas assistance. Eden will be taking applications the week of October 3 and Reidsville the week of October 10. Dates and times are:

Eden/Reidsville

October 4 and 5: 9-12 and 1-3

October 10, 11, and 12: 9-12 and 1-3

October 6: 4-6

October 13: 4-6

To register or for more information, contact:

Major Bunky Fuller, 336/349-4923, ext. 104 or Burnita.Fuller@uss.salvationarmy.org

OR

Paula Young, 336/349-4923, ext. 102 or Paula.Young@uss.salvationarmy.org

You may also contact Susan Thompson (smthompson507679@gmail.com) if you can assist in Reidsville.

"Pave the Way for DKG Memories" Headquarters Projet Announced

Help line the front walk of Eta State Headquarters in Asheboro with engraved paving bricks as part of the newly announced "Pave the Way for DKG Memories" project to raise money for Headquarters.

Build DKG memories by buying a brick in honor or memory of someone or to celebrate your chapter. Bricks may be engraved with up to three lines of 18 characters each. The cost per crick is \$125.

Forms can be found on the new Eta State Website at http://www.ncdkg.orguploads/8/0/5/80859646/2016pavetheway.
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International Website:

https:..www.dkg.org

Eta State NC Website:

www.ncdkg.org

"Fan the Flames" Ideas Online

Dr. Sherry Willis, Chair, BT Support Committee

We are sure you have been rolling out the "Welcome Mat" for all the brand new Beginning Teachers in your area. Need some suggestions for providing on-going support throughout the school year? At last year's convention many of you contributed great ideas about how your chapter is "Fanning the Flames" to keep the enthusiasm and love burning in the hearts of beginning teachers.

These ideas are now compiled and available for you to use on Eta State's new website. Find the pdf document on the <u>Beginning Teacher Support Committee page</u>. We

would love to add more ideas to this resource.

The Beginning Teacher Support committee is developing criteria for recognizing an outstanding Beginning Teacher at the Eta State Convention next spring. Stay tuned as details are finalized. Keep "Fanning those Flames."



Web News from Paige McCargo

Eta State Website News www.ncdkg.org

Please check out the newly designed website.

I was on the ad hoc committee that redesigned the state site and I think you'll agree that it's attractive and easier to navigate. Please bookmark this site so you can to refer to it when needed.

<u>Alpha Delta Chapter Website News</u> - www.ncalphadelta.weebly.com

Our website continues to be updated as necessary.

We just recently received our Compliance seal (which appears on our homepage) from DKG International. This certifies that our website currently meets all guidelines necessary to be linked to DKG International's website... www.dkg.org

Please bookmark this site and refer to it for information and announcements. We welcome suggestions for making the site as user-friendly and useful as possible.!

DKG International Website News

Please be reminded that if you've not visited this newly renovated site recently, you will need to *Log in as a Member* in order to access member sensitive sections. The directions for logging in the **first** time are:

You already have an account with your member ID. Simply sign in where prompted or use the "sign in" button in the top right side of the website. Your username is your six digit member ID number on your membership card. (If using a publication label, it does not include the last digit of the number). If you need the password, contact Catherine M. or Paige M. More information is available to chapter presidents in the print version of the President's Page and in the "Welcome" post found in the Rotator on the home page.

Once logged in, you can change your password it you wish through the My Account area. You can also create a profile, choose to be a part of the social communities and memberaccessed directory. You can also verify your contact information, including email, and modify it where necessary.

Face Book Page for Alpha Delta Chapter

We're working on initiating a Face Book page for our chapter. More information will be coming soon.

Face Book Page for Eta State

For all our Face Book users, please note that there is an Eta State Face Book page. Just type in Face Book search bar "Eta State, The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International" and you'll land on the page published by Beth Winstead, our state web master.

ALPHA DELTA WEBSITE USEFUL TIPS... www.ncalphadelta.weebly.com

Ever want to review or look for information contained in award-winning quarterly newsletters"?

There's page on our website where you can locate each issue of our Newsletter. Just click on the NEWSLETTERS TAB and then on the issue you want to review and it will appear. There are two ways you can get to the current newsletter...one is by clicking a button on the homepage - "Find out what we're doing now". The other is by clicking a tab under the NEWSLETTERS Tab..."Current Edition".

<u>Do you ever have a question about some action or acceptable practice for our Chapter?</u>

You can located a copy of our Chapter Rules quickly on our website. You can also find the document tht lists duties of all our committees by clicking the drop down menu ..."Committee Responsibilities" under the "Chapter Rules" tab.

Just a Quick Question

"How do you use your DKG membership card?"

This is a question asked on the front page of the International Website. If offers four choices for you to select from

- 1. Proof membership for professional purposes
- 2. As a record of your ID number
- 3. Rarely use it
- 4. Never use it and would be glad to access it on the website (under "My DKG" or the APP).

Let your voice be heard! Go to the DKG website and vote today.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Alpha Delta Chapter

May 6, 2016 Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met May 6, 2016 at Woodmont UMC, Reidsville, NC. Twenty-six members attended. Hostesses were Lynne Haynes, chair; Evangelina Balmori, Carol Holcomb, and Ruth Williamson. President Debbie Russell welcomed guests Katelyn Zimmerman, her mother and grandmother; and Eta State President Sheila Groves. Dinner followed. Grant-in-Aid/Scholarship Chairperson Patsy Snyder presented scholarship recipient Katelyn Zimmerman with the Alpha Delta Grant-in-Aid check. The chapter also gifted Katelyn with a dorm shower. Eta State President Shelia Groves presented a quiz game on the history of DKG. Members participated in groups, with the winners receiving DKG grocery bags. President Debbie Russell conducted the business meeting. The minutes were approved. Treasurer Sharon Vaughan reported a balance of \$7,193.44. The Grant-in-Aid balance is \$4,058.62. President Russell reported that she and Rachel Scott attended the Eta State Convention. Rachel Scott received the Golden Key Award which is a great honor for her and the chapter. The Alpha Delta Newsletter was selected for an Award of Excellence and the Alpha Delta website was certified. The chapter earned the Distinctive Award which is based on various society activities, projects and member services completed throughout the year. Alpha Delta also contributed two boxes of books for the convention project.

Committee Reports Social Committee-Sandra Dickens thanked the hostesses. She encourages suggestions from members for caterers and meeting locations. Beginning Teacher Support-Ruth Williamson reported that there are 8 applicants for the two \$150 grants. Leadership Development-Kay Diehl recognized members' volunteer work. She announced the summer book club will meet July 21st with the location and time to follow. Education Law and Policy-Wanda Smith and Nell Rose conducted a survey on members' 2016 legislative priorities which will be reported to the NC Legislative Committee on Education. World Fellowship-\$130 was collected from the used book sale. The remaining books will be donated to the local libraries.

President Russell presented a door prize to a member with perfect attendance. Rachel Scott's name was drawn and she received a copy of the summer reading selection The Girl on the Train. Members completed a committee assignments preference survey. The installation of new chapter officers took place. The officers are President Catherine Massengale, First Vice President Wanda Smith, Second Vice President Ruth Williamson, and Secretary Jeryl Rice.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeryl Rice, Secretary

Congratulations to Alpha Delta's Grant-In-Aid recipient, Katelyn Zimmerman. President Debbie Russell (I), Katelyn (c) and Grant -In-Aid Chairman, Patsy Snyder.

May Meeting 2016



Alpha Delta welcomed Eta State President, Sheila Groves, to the May meeting as our guest speaker.



Congratulations to Lynda Perry who was recognized as the member with the most volunteer hours 2015-2016.

Eta State NC President

Sheila Groves

Something to think about...

Everything I never knew about Eta State, I found in Delta Kappa Gamma in North Carolina – the book! It all began when my husband suggested I start cleaning off the dining room table (aka papers, boxes, books and miscellaneous items) so it might be clear in time for our family to eat Thanksgiving dinner. Some red things in the bottom of a box caught my eye. Each about the size of an iPad, there they were – three editions of DKG in NC. I started leafing through the first one, and I was hooked.

Now you are probably thinking, "how boring" or "bless her heart, she must not have a life," but I found these books fascinating! For all of you social media lovers, they were like flashback FaceBook. Fun & Frolic at the 1949 convention – LOL! Photos of our early state presidents – educational leaders and BFFs. Further investigation revealed how traditions began, the women for whom our scholarships are named, when Eta State Chorus made its debut, convention highlights, and NC participation in national and international affairs.

Written in short interesting articles, the history of our NC organization can be read even when you have only a few minutes. Use your new Educational Foundation bookmark to save your page. Take time to investigate the past. You will be inspired by the dedication of our early members, enlightened by the decisions made at executive board and convention meetings, charmed by the voices of the past. One of my book club picks for this year is Delta Kappa Gamma in North Carolina. If you need a copy, LMK.

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Convention Dates

- April 28-30, 2017 Eta State Convention, Hilton Wilmington Riverside, Wilmington, NC (Region IV)
- June 23-25,2017 Eta State NC Leadership

 Development Seminar, Caraway Conference

 Center, Asheboro, NC
- July 19-22, 2017 Southeast Regional Conference, Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center, Myrtle Beach, SC
- April 27-29, 2018 Eta State NC Convention, Charlotte University Hilton, Charlotte, NC (Region VI)
- July 16-20, 2018 DKG International Convention, JW Marriott, Austin, TX

New Alpha Delta Officers 2016-2018 Biennium



Left to Right: Catherine Massengale, President: Wanda Smith, First Vice President; Ruth Williamson, Second Vice President; Jeryl Rice, Recording Secretary; Sharon Vaughan, Treasurer; Nell Rose, Parliamentarian.



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Alpha Delta Book Corner

Hot summer days were good days to stay inside in the cool and read! Here are some books enjoyed by members this summer. Carolyn Lester - Me Before You by Jojo Moyes, A Short Time to Stay Here by Terry Roberts, Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline, The Fault in Our Stars by John Green. Catherine Massengale - Three Times Lucky by Sheila Turnage, a Newbery Honor Book. While it is not written for adults, the author still lives on the family farm in the Eastern part of our state. She has a wonderful sense of humor and her book is excellent. It is a great read that will make you laugh out loud in places while dealing with some serious topics. The book is set in a little town in eastern North Carolina and has southern references that we can appreciate. Sharon Vaughan - The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins; Donna Rawlins - Before the Fall by Noah Hawley, A Man Called Ove by Frederick Backman, Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis by J.D. Vance, The Wishing Thread by Lisa Van Allen.

Member News

Jennifer Jones is now teaching high school. She is now at Reidsville High School. Congratulations to her on this new move.

Carolyn Boswell is recovering from shoulder surgery for an injury she sustained while on a trip to Washington state.

Email Changes

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Sharon Vaughan - sharonvaughan5832@gmail.com

Member Birthdays

October

Susan Lassiter - 13

Rachel Scott - 15

Sandra Dickens - 29

November

Carolyn Boswell - 4

Evangelina Balmori - 16

Melissa Bailey - 19

Barbara Smith - 28

December

Carla Rierson - 6

Jeryl Rice - 7

Kay Diehl - 8

Karen Wakelee - 27



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