

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International — International Society for Key Women Educators

UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETING



Date: February 12, 2019 @GK Café (note location change)

Location: 3197 E 10th Street, Greenville, NC 27858

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$14

Program: Making BT 1 goodie bags and International Convention centerpiece & Grant-in-Aid Presentation

Reminders:

- ♦ Continue to collect spare change in your red take-out box and bring to our February meeting.
- You are welcome to pre-pay for remaining dinner meetings in a single payment.
- If you have ideas for any new, active prospective members for 2019-20, please email Ruth Hicks.
- See page 4 for how to get involved in our interactive February chapter meeting.



Please RSVP for our next chapter meeting and send your money to Paige Ballance postmarked no later than Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2019.



Send your payment to Paige Ballance at 3317 Cadenza St Greenville, NC 27858

DELTA CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

The "Down Home Country Christmas" Tri-Chapter DKG brunch and meeting was held on Saturday, Dec. 8, at The Pool House on Jack Jones Road in Winterville. We had a great crowd, all dressed in festive holiday outfits and in good cheer. Connie Savell, President of Eta State, was unable to attend due to adverse weather (she lives in Black Mountain and snow was coming!), but her remarks were shared by Laura Lavin, President of the Delta Xi Chapter. The DKG Region II Director, Veda McNair, also spoke and shared a survey. She noted that as teachers, wives, mothers, and daughters we are constantly taking care of others, and so she encouraged us to take time to take better care of ourselves. We had six winners for the best holiday outfit and all received sparkling wines from Laura Lavin and her Delta Xi chapter, following the DKG theme of "Let's Sparkle."

The brunch was delicious, handmade crystal snowflake ornaments awaited each of us at our tables, and we really enjoyed socializing with members of the other two DKG chapters. —Ellen Hilgoe





Above Left—Festive Sisters in VERY Festive Sweaters; Above Right—Veda McNair, DKG Region 2 Director; Laura Lavin, Pres Delta Xi; Edie Snider, Pres Beta Alpha; Miranda Dunn, Pres Delta



Delta Chapter Jingles & Sparkles at the Tri-Chapter Brunch

DELTA CHAPTER NEWS & REMINDERS

Spare Change for Change?

Got any spare change? Red take-out boxes were distributed at our October meeting to use for collecting change to support several of our programs: the DKG Educational Foundation, US Fund for UNICEF, DKG International World Fund, Eta State Leadership Fund, Eta State Scholarship Fund, and Eta State Headquarters Fund.

Collection boxes are due at our February meeting.



Email Dottie Oakley with questions.



Meeting Meal Payments

Meal payments are due 1 week prior to each meeting so that we can meet our obligations to the venues. You may pay for the remaining meeting meals all at once or before each meeting.

Please send payments via check. Do not send or put cash in Paige's mailbox. Her address is located on the first page of the newsletter.

Don't Forget to Update Your DKG Profile

Don't forget to update your MyDKG Profile on the International website (www.dkg.org). You will need your membership ID, which was printed on the membership card you received from Paige Balance at our October meeting.

If you need help registering on the profile page, please contact Miranda

Dunn for the how-to instructions.



It has also been brought to our attention that school email addresses are often sending newsletter and other information sent from ETA state and the chapter to the spam folder. They have recommended registering with your personal email address to ensure you are getting all DKG communications!



2018-2019 Remaining Chapter Meetings:

All chapter meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. Dates, locations, and prices for these meetings are as follows:

February 12th, 2019 @ GK Cafe, \$14

April 9th, 2019 @ Seahorse, \$14

Please remember to send checks to Paige Ballance a week in advance.

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DELTA CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

Join us at our February 12th meeting to congratulate Grant-in-Aid recipient Haley Wishall. Wishall is currently working towards her SPED degree and working at Sadie Salter.

February is cold! Let's warm the hearts of some BT 1s by working together to create goodie bags. Lauren Piner and PCAE's Beginning Teacher Organizing Program will supply bags, candy, and encouraging tips. At the meeting, we will complete the fun task of stuffing the bags. If you wish to contribute more, please feel free to supplement with pencils, pens, dry erase markers, sticky notes, paper clips, hand sanitizer, facial tissue, or anything else you think a new teacher would appreciate 1/2 way through his or her first school year.





Request from International Conference Hosted by ETA State Help Us Represent Our Chapter

Each chapter has been asked to design one centerpiece that showcases our area of NC! The centerpieces will debut at NC Theme Night, the International Conference opening event, and will be used throughout the weekend. These unique pieces will be sold at the conclusion of the conference with proceeds going to Eta State NC.

<u>Interested members are encouraged to work on our centerpiece at our February meeting.</u> Anyone wishing to contribute effort or items, please see the following guidelines:

- Clear gallon-sized container & wooden round on which jar will be placed—supplied by Miranda Dunn
- Items that represent our area of NC (sea shells, sand, acorns, pecans, cotton bolls, ECU Pirate items, photographs, memorabilia, etc.) that fit in jar
- Candles must be battery operated.
- Remember this decorator tip: a filler, a spiller, and a thriller, make an interesting centerpiece.
- A piece of burlap (approximately 18" x 18")

We will take or send our centerpiece to the Crowne Plaza Resort, Asheville, by Thursday, June 27.

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Eta State NC Convention 2019

Hickory, NC Region X Hosting

Theme: Let's SPARKLE!

Celebrating 85 Years! Share the Sparkle!

Crowne Plaza - Hickory May 3-5, 2019

Birthday Celebration to Recognize Members

Eta State NC will observe its 85th Birthday at the 2019 Convention! State leaders plan to celebrate by recognizing women who have made notable contributions to education or to DKG on the local, state and national levels. Think outside the box and nominate members in our chapter, past or present, who deserve recognition.

A Google form has been set up to collect chapter nominees at https://goo.gl/forms/ozSOMH-GoZGad73gN2.

The form includes a space for a short bio & photo.

Eta State News Online





Nominations Committee

In order to ensure Eta State NC's continued success in the coming

Welcome New Inductees

Eta State NC Convention Eta State at Work

Eta State Chapters & Members Sparkle

upcoming biennium, we

2019-2021 Eta State NC Officer

Nominations Due!

need leaders like you! Are you willing to accept the challenge? Complete the nomination form today!

The nomination form and instructions can be found at the following link:
https://bit.ly/2|WzvGl

Nominations are due later than November 15, 2018.

Eta State NC Treasurer Applications

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later than nuary 16, 2019

See details on page S

Eta State NC Executive Board Holds Fall Meeting



The Ita State NC Executive Board Meeting, delayed by Hurricane Florence, convened on October 13, 2018, at Elon Community Church. More than 110 fla State leaders representing 73 chapters attended. The meeting was called to order by President Connie Savell. She then shared an inspiration challenging chapters to support DKG members whose schools were destroyed or damaged by Hurricane Florence.

Officer & Aponisted Personnel Reports

- damaged by Hurricane Florence.

 Officer & Appointed Personnel Reports

 President Connie Swell recognized Nancy Tunstall
 as the North Cardina Star of the Southeast named
 at the DKG Convention in Austin. She read a
 tribute and presented Nancy with her Star of the
 Southeast pin.
 First Vice-President & EtC Chair Dr. Teresa
 Cowan presented information about our short
 term projects wellness initiative and Empower,
 Engage, Create, She also reminded members that
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- Engage. Create. She also reminded memoers usa. Schools for Africa is International's long term EEC project. Teresa introduced information about celebrating the Women of Eta State, past and present at the 85% Birthday Brunch at the Eta State NC Convention in May.
- Eta State NC Convention in May.

 Second Vice-President Elizabeth Miars recognized
 10 Eta State NC Regional Directors.

 Connie Savell reported on the status of the budget
 for Ruth Jones. She announced that expenditures
 for the International Conference Asheville will
 come from the general budget. There will be no
 special fund raising to fund this event. Connie
 reminded presidents that dues will be collected
 again in June 2019 and asked presidents to
 remind treasurers that the mandatory 990-N for
 the IRS is due by November 15.

Voices of Influence Empowering North Carolina Women Educators

Winter 2018 issue of Eta State News available @

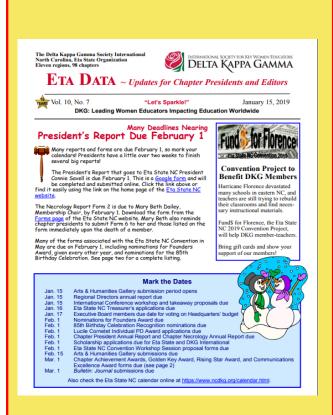
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DKG Annual Calendar 2018-19

2019

- Feb. 1 Nominations for Founders Award due
- Feb. 1 85th Birthday Celebration Recognition nominations
- Feb. 1 Lucile Cornetet Individual PD Awards applications due
- Feb. 1 Chapter President Annual Report and Chapter Necrology Annual Report due
- Feb. 1 Scholarship applications due for Eta State and DKG International
- Feb. 1 Eta State Convention Workshop Session proposals
- Feb. 5 Arts & Humanities Gallery submissions due
- Mar. 1 Chapter Achievement Awards, Golden Key Award, and Rising Star Award Nominations due
- Mar.1 Submissions for the Newsletter Excellence, Website Excellence and/or Communications Excellence Awards
- Mar. 1 Bulletin: Journal submissions due
- Mar. 22-23 Leadership Development Seminar, Asheboro
- Apr. 10 Eta State News deadline
- May 1 Deadline for applications for Lucile Cornetet Individual PD Awards
- May 3-5Eta State NC Convention, Crowne Plaza, Hickory
- May 11 Founders Day
- May 15 New Initiates forms and fees due to state treasurer
- May 15 Bulletin: Journal submissions due
- June 21-24 Leading Effective Meetings Seminar, Asheville
- June 27-29 Southeast Regional Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville
- July 10 Eta State News deadline
- July 15 Form 15 due from chapter treasurers to state

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January Eta Data can be found at

https://bit.ly/2sqZHCU

\$\$\$ Dollars for Development \$\$\$

Do you need money for professional development?

Is there a workshop or convention that you've always wanted to attend that will enhance your teaching?

The DKG Cornetet Individual Awards for Professional Development funds can be used for

- Conference/seminar expenses
- National Board certification
 - Online courses
- Workshops & other non-degree programs
 Awards may not be used for previously completed activities, to pursue a degree program, or to fund an educational project.

Awards are available to employed educators for up to \$2,000.

Award cycles for 2019 are February 1 & May 1 For more information go to www.dkgef.org

See Winter 2018 Eta State News for additional scholarship opportunities

Reminder: Important Changes & Proposals to Dues and Membership

Chapters will now keep \$7.50 of future \$10.00 initiation fees, and \$2.50 will be sent to Eta State NC treasurer, effective immediately. International will no longer receive any of the initiation fee.

Beginning with the 2019-2020 year, dues and fees will be collected by June 30th each year. This will allow International and Eta State NC to receive dues and fees by July 1, the beginning of each DKG fiscal year.

At the Eta State NC Executive Board meeting this fall, the finance committee proposed amendments to the *Standing Rules*: 1—dues will increase from \$2 to \$5 for Reserve members; 2—Eta State collegiate dues will be \$5. Voting on these amendments will take place at the Eta State NC Convention in May 2019.

STATE AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS & REMINDERS

Happy New Year! A new year brings new opportunities to reevaluate our goals in DKG! In the first year of the biennium one goal was the Wellness Initiative and chapters were encouraged to participate in a water project to help others through the Life Straw Project. In October, Eta State Headquarters water pump stopped doing its job. This year we need a new well drilled and to purchase a new pump. You received a memo about this need. You may be asking why we have a Headquarters? Eta State uses Headquarters for state committee meetings on a regular basis because of the distance across North Carolina. Water is very necessary! Try a day without it and you discover how often you need it. I would like to encourage your support for the well project at Headquarters. We are fortunate to have the resources in the Headquarters Fund to pay for this.

In the next several weeks there are lots of deadlines. Please remember the Chapter President's Report. This information is helpful in determining our goals for the next biennium. I hope that in 2019 all 98 chapters will invite and induct at least two new members. Teachers need DKG!

Let's Sparkle!

Connie

Connie Phifer Savell
Eta State NC President 2017-2019

Let's SPARKLE!

Encourage **S**avvy leadership Inspire **P**assionate, meaningful programs & projects Analuze & **A**rticulate current

Analyze & Artículate current educational issues

Further **R**espect for diversity in membership

Promote Knowledge through lifelong learning

Establish & Launch a member wellness initiative

Advocate Excellence in education

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters,

Happy New Year, sisters! It is my hope that I get to see all of you at the February meeting to wish you a wonderful year ahead in person. We have a fun night planned for our February meeting in which we will be making something that will continue our mission of supporting beginning teachers working for Pitt County Schools. We will also be working on a little project for the International Conference: Arts & Humanities hosted by ETA State at the Crowne Plaza Resort in Asheville, NC this year from June 27th - 29th!

There's an old saying, "If you continue to do what you've always done, you'll continue to get what you've always gotten." We should all consider this for a moment as we move into the new year. ETA State and I would like to encourage you to Empower, Engage and Create in the year ahead as you sparkle through 2019. I encourage you all to think about how we as a chapter can work together to Empower, Engage, and Create in the year ahead!

- How can we as a chapter empower our Delta sisters and women educators?
- Is there a new method of communication you would like to see us implement as a chapter? How can we engage more as a chapter? What programs are you interested in? Are you interested in different days/times to meet? Do we want to try a "Girls Night Out" with the meeting being held at a fun, new location for fellowship followed by DKG business meeting?

How can we <u>create</u> as a chapter? Can we work on the Chapter Achievement Award in teams? Design and submit a workshop for convention? Create the theme night centerpiece for the Asheville convention, etc.?

I would love to hear your ideas on how we as a chapter can work together this year to Empower, Engage, and Create!!!

In Sisterhood, Miranda

STAYING CONNECTED

Want Text Reminders About Our Meetings?



You can now receive text messages concerning Delta Kappa Gamma events and get reminders about our chapter meetings by texting the message @h78e22 to 81010. If you need assistance with this process please see Ruth Hicks or Miranda Dunn at one of our chapter meetings to get set up with text reminders!

Have something you want included in the Delta Data?

Please contact the editor with information you would like to share with our Delta sisters and/or to share pictures from recent chapter events.

Please contact the editor with any questions, comments, or concerns as well!

As always, thank you for reading!

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