

Delta Kappa Gamma
From A to
Z

***All the news from
the Delta Kappa Gamma Society
International***

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Eta State North Carolina
Region VIII
Alpha Zeta Chapter
Mecklenburg/Union Counties

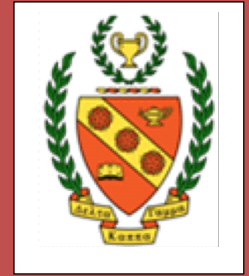


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www.deltakappagamma.org/NC
www.alphazetanc.weebly.com

The Spring edition of Eta State News is available on the Eta State website. I hope you will enjoy reading about the accomplishments in Eta State!

<http://deltakappagamma.org/NC/ESNSpring2014.pdf>



*Mission
Statement*

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

*Elevator
Speech*

Delta Kappa Gamma is an international honor society of women educators, which encourages and supports professional growth through legislative efforts, conferences, workshops, and offers scholarships to members and future educators.

Themes

“Embracing Our Vision – Designing Our Future”

“Lead, Serve, and Impact”

Next Meeting: April 5, 2014

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Time: 10:00 AM

Place: Rolling Hills Country Club in the Union Room
2722 West Roosevelt Blvd.
Monroe, NC 28110

Cost: \$6.00

RSVP by March 31st: Nancy Baucom 704-289-3596 cbaucom17@carolina.rr.com
Diana Sweezy 704-283-8898 dgsweezy@carolina.rr.com

Hostess: Monroe Group (Nancy Baucom, Janie Collins, Joy Hilder, Addie Laney, Diana Sweezy, Deb Christensen, April Dawkins, Kim Warr, and Lisa Stephens)

Inspirational Thoughts: Joy Hilder

Program: Sylvia Little-Sweat will present "A Dickinson Almanac" a Seasonal Look at Emily Dickenson's Poetry. It is always a treat when Sylvia does a program. You don't want to miss this one.

Installation of new Alpha Zeta Officers for 2014 - 2016: Tommi Wall

President – Wanda Allen

Vice-President – Kim Warr

Secretary – Janie Webb

Treasurer – Judy Cline

Also, don't forget . . .

- Wear your Delta Kappa Gamma pin! If you cannot find your pin, please bring \$1.
- Your BRAG money

From the President's Corner

Dear AZ Sister,

It is hard to believe that the 2012-2014 Biennium is so quickly drawing to an end. We have had a busy, challenging, and exciting two years! For me it has been very rewarding to get to know each of you, my AZ Sisters, better.

I cannot begin to tell you how much I have appreciated your encouragement and support as we worked together to strengthen our chapter in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society. In reviewing our Strategic Action Plan for this biennium, I was amazed to

discover we have met all our objectives: some to a lesser degree and some to a greater degree than anticipated.

Some of the highlights of these two years were:

- Taking in 5 new members
- Having 10 member of our chapter participate in the Eta State Conventions
- Having an Alpha Zeta Web Site created
- Continuing the Grant-in Aid Scholarship Fund
- Having several members apply for DKG Scholarships
- Supporting the Bright Blessings Community Project
- Supporting beginning teachers with gift card to purchase supplies for their classrooms
- Having Alpha Zeta Members present programs for chapter meetings
- Keeping close contact with all chapter members active/reserve

We have selected a wonderful slate of new officers for the 1914-1916 Biennium, and I look forward to supporting these leaders. Remember Eta State President Pat's theme: "Together, We are Stronger - Committing, Collaborating, Celebrating!" Under the leadership of Wanda Allen, Kim Warr, Janie Webb and Judy Cline, we will become stronger as we work together to promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Helen Rose

AZ President

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Joint Initiation and Luncheon

When: April 12, 2014

Time: 10:30 AM

Place: United Methodist Retirement Center – Aldersgate
3800 Shamrock Drive
Charlotte, NC,

Cost: \$15.00

RSVP: To Judy Cline by Friday, April 4th
jblacline@gmail.com or 704-785-8027

Program: Initiation Ceremony

Key Note Speaker: Sylvia Eaglin

Initiates and sponsors need to be there by 10:00 to rehearse for the ceremony. Alpha Zeta has two new members joining so please try to attend and give Patricia Perkoski and Aimi Gundersen a warm welcome.

See the attached fliers regarding the joint initiation.

Eta State Convention 2014

Theme: "Dare To Be Courageous!"
Greenville Hilton, Greenville, North Carolina
April 25 – 27, 2014

This will be a wonderful weekend of celebration, entertainment, and fellowship with Eta State Sisters from across North Carolina. Convention information and registration forms are in the Spring 2014 print copy of ***Eta State News*** and on the web site at <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2014ConvRegistration.pdf> If you have questions about this see Helen Rose or Peggy Griffin.

The spring edition of ***Eta State News*** is filled with news/pictures of interest to all Alpha Zeta Member. The results of the Preference Survey taken in the fall is in this edition along with questions and answers about the proposed Eta State Educational Foundation. A vote to adopt or reject the legal papers for the foundation will be taken at the 2014 Eta State Convention. I hope you have read all the information sent out earlier on the proposal.

The Convention Project for 2014 will be showering new teachers with supplies. Each region has been asked to supply specific items. Region VIII (our Region) has been asked to supply pens and pencils. Judy Cline has graciously volunteered to shop and purchase Alpha Zeta's contribution. Please bring a monetary donation to our meeting on April 5th to help with this purchase. Read more about this worthy project in the spring edition of ***Eta State News***

June Training for 2014-2016 New Chapter Leaders

*The leadership training for our Region will be on June 21, 2014, Bethel Friends Meeting, NC Highway 42, Asheboro, NC. (Turn off US 64 at Blockbuster, go 2 miles beyond the Eta State Headquarters) Lunch and morning snack is included in the \$15.00 registration fee. **Please let Helen Rose know by May 31st if you plan to attend.** All chapter officers, EEC Chairman, membership chairman, treasurer, and others are encouraged to attend. The State Executive Board voted to have the chapters pay expenses for attendees.*

Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin

There is an interesting interview with Dr. Beverly Helms, International President for The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, by Angela E. Quinn, "Effective Communication in a Time of Connectivity: An Interview with Dr. Beverly Helms."

Dr. Helms shares what she has found to be keys to communicating successfully with a wide variety of regional, cultural, and linguistic backgrounds. As teachers and administrators, this article will interest many who are finding themselves in similar

situations communicating with students and parents with a variety of cultural backgrounds. Check it out!

Bright Blessings

Don't forget to bring your items for our Community Service Project. Remember that our generous contribution of small gifts will help bring smiles of joy to the faces of many homeless children in our area on their birthdays.

Alpha Zeta Beginning Teachers Gift Certificates

These are the 2013-14 recipients of the \$75.00 gift cards which were given as a part of our Beginning Teacher Support efforts. Several written acknowledgments and thanks were received and shared with chapter members at the past two meetings.

"A child's life is like a piece of paper on which every person leaves a mark."
-Robert A. Heinlein

Hoping this gift assists you in leaving a positive mark on each of your students' lives.

Central Academy of Technology and Arts
Katie Morgan – Biology

Forest Hills High School
Megan Welty – Transition to Adulthood

Kensington Elementary
Lindsey Breunig – Grade 3

Matthews Elementary
Stephanie King
Mariel Beachley
Brittany Merdagni
Megan Newlin

Pinewood Elementary
Najah Shah – Grade 4

Porter Ridge High School
Bethany Vawter-Sweatt – Animal Science/
Horticulture

Prospect Elementary
Ashley Lewis – Grade 2
Evann Webb – Grade 1

Union Elementary
Nikki Baucom – Grade 2

Upcoming Events

April 4th RSVP to Judy Cline for Joint Luncheon

April 5th Alpha Zeta Regular 10:00 Meeting @ Rolling Hills Country Club

April 12th Joint Luncheon and Initiation 10:30 @ Aldersgate in Charlotte

April 25-27th Eta State Convention Greenville Hilton, Greenville, NC

June 21st 9:30 am - 3:00 pm Leadership Training for 2014-2016 Chapter Leaders in Asheville, NC

July 28-August 1st International Convention, Marriott, Indianapolis, IN

Happy Birthday

May

- 13 Carolyn Nave
- 16 Margaret Kinney

June

- 8 Sara Miller
- 16 Mercedes Cass
- 21 Lisa Stephens

July

- 10 Janie Collins
- 20 Diane Maye
- 22 Gladys Kerr

August

- 7 Jean Davis
- 16 Sylvia Little-Sweat
- 25 Rachel Clark

September

- 2 Frankie Ritch
- 5 Judy Cline
- 5 Alice Coleman
- 15 Sarah Harrison-Burns

Newsletter Information

If you have items for the newsletter, please e-mail them to Kim Warr at Kim_warr@yahoo.com.





*The Charlotte-Mecklenburg
Coordinating Council
cordially invites you to its
Joint Initiation and Luncheon*

Saturday, April 12, 2014

*Aldersgate United Methodist
Retirement Center
Shamrock Room*

*3800 Shamrock Drive
Charlotte, North Carolina*

*10:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Cost: \$15.00*

Make reservations with your chapter.

*Park near the 8-story tower main entrance.
The Shamrock Room is near the entry door.*



Sylvia Eaglin is a member of Chi Chapter in High Point, North Carolina. She taught English, Latin, Science and Math in grades five through twelve in Arkansas and North Carolina. She also taught at Catawba College in Salisbury, NC. She retired in 2001 after 38 years in the classroom.

Sylvia loves to tell her tales to audiences; some are new tales, some from her classroom days, and some from her family of seven children growing up in Arkansas. She performs storytelling for all ages in after-dinner programs, club meeting, and retirement homes. Sylvia is a member of the North Carolina Storytelling Guild and the Triad Story Exchange.