

*Delta Kappa Gamma*  
***From A to Z***

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

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**Next Meeting: December 1, 2012**

Hostess: Marshville/Wingate Group - Sarah Harrison-Burns, Beverly Christopher, Alice Coleman, Carolyn Nave, Louise Napier, Taura Napier, Ameer Odem, Sylvia Little-Sweat

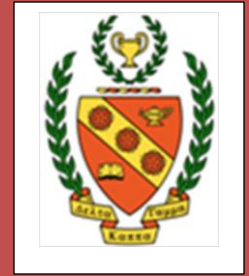
Place: Hilltop Restaurant in Monroe at the intersection of Hwy 74 and Hwy 601

Cost: \$7.00

RSVP: Alice Coleman @ 704-233-4538

Program: **Grant-in-Aid Scholarship Christmas Auction**

Peggy Harris will be our auctioneer with her elf helpers. Hand-made crafts and baked goodies are always popular as well as art work, books, decorative items, Christmas items, etc.



*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”

It will be helpful if each member brings at least two items. This is an opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping.

**Sharon Deal, Region VIII Director, will visit our chapter at this meeting.**

**For children of the Battered Women's Shelter, please bring the following items:**

- Crafts and Games for all ages (mostly toddlers and pre-school)
- Diapers sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- Wipes, baby lotions, and shampoo.
- Glue Sticks, 3 subject notebooks, pocket folders with brads and pocket folders without brads, drawing paper, and pencils.

**Also, don't forget . . .**

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

## Concerns of Members

**Sara Miller's** husband is very ill and she covets her AZ Sister's good thoughts.

**Peggy Harris** has recovered from her surgery and has been released to normal activities.

**Margaret Kinney** is in New York volunteering with the Red Cross as a Mental Health Counselor. She will be in NY for 2 weeks and says her work is very rewarding.

## October Meeting Minutes

The Alpha Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met on October 6, 2012 at Morning Star Luthern Chapel In Matthews, North Carolina. President Helen Rose called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance, and thanked the Charlotte/Matthews Group who provided the delicious brunch.

Inspirational thoughts were given by Tommie Wall who cited the selection ***"Who Has the Key?"*** from the book Puppies for Sale and applied its lesson of 'passing on the key' to how DKG Sisters pass on the key to up-coming sisters.

Guests introduced were Pat Taylor, Eta State First Vice-President, who did a presentation using music and active participation of the members to introduce our chapter to the new **Educational Excellence Committees** structure.

Dr. Rachel Clark, principal of Kensington Elementary, was also a guest of Grace Faris. We welcomed the return of Jane Clawson from reserve status to active member.

Tommie Wall made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded by Phyllis Medlin and accepted by the members.

The treasurer's report and proposed budget were presented by Judy Cline, treasurer, and approved.

Frankie Rich presented 40 year pins to Peggy Harris and Louise Napier.

Members were given an invitation to the opening reception on October 9<sup>th</sup> for the **Exhibition of Poetry and Art** by Sylvia Little-Sweat and Louise Napier at Wingate University

President Helen presented gifts to Phyllis Medlin outgoing president and to Peggy Griffin for her help in editing the yearbook.

**Dates to play "Bunco"** as a fund raiser for Beginning Teacher Support projects:  
Saturday, January 12, 2013 from 2:00 -4:00 at the home of Mercedes Cass  
Sunday, January 27, 2013 from 2;00 - 4:00 at the home of Mercedes Cass  
Future dates will be discussed at the December meeting.

**New Business** addressed sending the **A-Z Newsletter** via e-mail. The nine members without e-mail addresses will receive the newsletter through regular mail.

There was interest in an AZ picture directory. Phyllis Medlin suggested that a committee be formed to look into this project.

The challenge requested from Eta Sate for Beginning Teacher Support will be met by sending a teacher to the Leadership Conference at Peace University in Raleigh in June. Janie Webb suggested we select a teacher with two to three years experience who could then consider becoming a DKG member. Janie proposed an extra place in the budget for conference expense along with the usual Beginning Teacher Gift Cards. Members inviting new teacher to the December meeting need to give the names to Janie so she can have their gift cards ready. Treasurer Judy Cline said that there is \$1,000.00 in the savings account budgeted for Beginning Teacher Support. Applications to attend the Leadership Development Conference in June needs to be in by Oct 20<sup>th</sup>. Janie said we might be able to send two\people.

After a few "Braggs" by the sisters and singing the Delta Kappa Song, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joy Hilder, Secretary

## From the President's Corner

The frenzy holiday season is quickly approaching. In the excitement and preparation for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Season, I hope we can all find quiet moments to reflect on our many blessings. Let us also be thankful for all our Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters and the professional high standards to which we are called to exhibit both in our personal and professional lives.

I hope many of you were able to attend Sylvia's and Louise's ***Exhibition of Poetry and Art*** at Wingate University. It was beautiful and inspiring. We are fortunate to have both of these talented ladies in our chapter.

Linda Little, our Eta State President, has an Excellent message, "***How Do We Inspire Excellence?***" in the ***Eta Data***. Please check the Eta State web site often. It really does keep us informed and up-to-date and Linda's messages are always very timely and inspiring.

Membership is always challenging so let's focus on the "three R's" of membership development: **Recruit, Retain, and Reinstate.**

Be thinking about new members you would like to invite into our chapter and invite them to visit our December meeting. Remember that personal contact can make a powerful impact when recruiting, retaining and reinstating members.

*Helen Rose*

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## Upcoming Events

September 2012 – Executive Board meeting Elon College

October 6, 2012 – Alpha Zeta Meeting

October 27, 2012 – NC Teacher of The Year Joint Luncheon with Beta Tau

December 1, 2012 – Alpha Zeta meeting and Grant-in-Aid Auction

January TBA 2013 – AZ Executive Board Meeting

January 15, 2013 – Workshop proposals/ break-out sessions for 2013 Eta State Convention are due. Proposal info is already on Eta State website.

February 2, 2013 – AZ Meeting

April 6, 2013 – AZ Meeting

April 26-28 – Eta State Convention Charlotte, NC

June 20-23, 2013 – Leadership Development Seminars  
William Peace University Raleigh, NC

July 10-13 – Southeast Regional Convention Kissimmee, FL

## Happy Birthday



### November

5 Janie Webb

7 Grace Faris

7 Gwendolyn Sinclair

9 Deborah Christensen

12 Tommi Wall

27 Peggy Griffin

28 Jany Clawson

### December

4 Helen Rose

11 Linda Baker

### January

10 Virginia Griffin

13 Peggy Harris

23 Katie Perry

