

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

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

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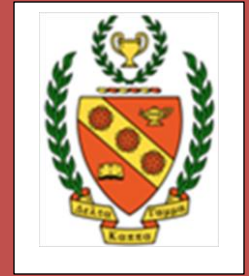
Committee chairpersons can find lots of ideas and help on these website for program planning and staying informed on the latest ideas for your committee.

Pat Taylor, our Eta State President has wonderful message in the *Eta State News* and the *Eta Data*. Please take time to read these publications on the website. You will be glad you did.

**Next Meeting: December 7, 2013**

**TIME CHANGE : 9:00 AM**

Place: Hilltop Restaurant in Monroe (at the intersection of



*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”

Hwy 74 and Hwy 601)

Cost: \$6.00

RSVP: Joyce Reed 704-847-3035 or [lreed2@windstream.net](mailto:lreed2@windstream.net)

Program: Grant-in-Aid Scholarship Christmas Auction  
Service of Remembrance for Eleanor Puckett

Hostess: Charlotte/Matthews Group – Joyce Reed, Margaret Kinney,  
Peggy Griffin, Peggy Harris, Manetta Latham, Frankie Ritch,  
Phyllis Medlin, Helen Rose

**Please note the time change to 9:00 AM.** The extra time will be needed for The Service of Remembrance for Eleanor Puckett, the business meeting, and Grant-in Aid Christmas Auction. Pictures will also be made for our new pictorial directory.

**Christmas Auction:** Remember to bring your baked goodies, hand-made or bought items, books, art work, decorative items, Christmas items, etc., to be auctioned. If we each bring at least two items, it will help the cause. Come prepared to do some early Christmas shopping. This is always one of our fun meetings and our big scholarship fundraiser. Mercedes and her committee will be in charge of the auction.

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

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

### Bright Blessings

Our donations, along with others, will help brighten the holidays for homeless children. This December, Bright Blessings will distribute over 500 stuffed Christmas stockings to local Homeless children!

Needed: toys, candy, (NO Chocolate, NO Peanuts), games, markers, crayons, hats, gloves, scarves, puzzles, gum, sports equipment, etc. Anything for babies thru the early teen years is acceptable.

### From the President's Corner

Do you remember the first Delta Kappa Gamma Meeting you ever attended? Perhaps it was the Alpha Zeta chapter or a chapter in a different region or state. You were invited because someone recognized you as an outstanding teacher or administrator. As we

focus on recruiting new members in the next few months, look around and find those outstanding educators with leadership qualities and invite them to attend a chapter meeting.

State President Pat reminds us in the ***Eta Data*** to think about and take advantage of our membership in Delta Kappa Gamma. What great opportunities we have not only to promote educational excellence but to also grow personally and professionally through our involvement in DKG. The three ships – Membership, Leadership and Genuine Spiritual Fellowship – are important areas to concentrate on this year. Also keep in mind the 3R's – Recruit, Retain, and Reinstate. A personal contact from an active member might just be the incentive to encourage a former member to reinstate.

As we go into the season of Thanksgiving and Christmas, let's reflect and be thankful for those DKG Sisters who have mentored us in the past, those who are still mentoring us, and

those with whom we can share our voices of influence! "Together we are stronger – Committing, Collaborating, Celebrating!"

Wishing you all a Blessed and Joyous Thanksgiving and Christmas Season!

*Helen Rose*

AZ President

## **Member News**

Congratulations to our AZ Sister Deborah Christensen who received a Cornetet Professional Development Award in the amount of \$950.00. Deb plans to use the award toward National Board for Professional Teaching Standards renewal fees.

## **Membership Committee Update**

Recommendation forms for membership in Alpha Zeta Chapter will be available from Tommi Wall at our December meeting. The Membership Committee will present prospective members at our February meeting where we will be asked to vote on recommended candidates.

## **Chapter Picture Directory Update**

Tommi Wall, Deb Christensen, and April Dawkins are working on a new picture directory for our yearbook. At our December Meeting, Deb will be taking pictures for the directory, or if you prefer you may bring a photograph for Deb to scan. Their goal is to have the chapter picture yearbook ready for distribution at our Feb. Meeting.

## Alpha Zeta's Website

Thanks to Deb and April Alpha Zeta now has a website. If you haven't checked it out yet, go to [www.alphazetanc.weebly.com](http://www.alphazetanc.weebly.com) You will be very pleased.

## State Convention and Theme Announced

"Dare to be Courageous" will be the theme of our Eta State Convention April 25-27, 2014 in Greenville, NC. A highlight of the convention will be the celebration of Eta State's 80<sup>th</sup> year as part of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Region II and a special ad hoc committee are planning some fun activities and special events with our birthday in mind. Plan now to attend!

## Eta State and DKG International Scholarships Available

One of the benefits of Delta Kappa Gamma membership is the opportunity to receive scholarships for advanced degrees. Eta State sponsors \$4,000 academic scholarships for either Master's level work requiring graduate school enrollment or non-activities such as special projects, research, or certifications.

International awards up to 30 scholarships annually in the amount of \$6,000 for Master Degree candidates and \$10,000 to Doctoral Degree candidates. Applications, deadlines, and eligibility can be found on the DKG and state website under the Scholarship Committee link. Eta State members may apply for both an Eta State and an International Scholarship within a given year.

## International Convention Forms

Workshop proposal forms for the 2014 International Convention in Indianapolis are available on the DKG website. Chapter members are asked to share their expertise! Proposal forms are due January 2, 2014. It's never too early to start thinking about attending this year!

## 2012-2014 Biennial Committee Reports

Due: February 4, 2014

Report forms will be given to Committee Chairpersons at the December Meeting. Report forms may also be downloaded and printed from the DKG website.



## Upcoming Events

- December 7 Christmas Auction for Grant-In-Aid @ Stonetable Restaurant in Monroe
- January TBA 2014 Alpha Zeta Executive Board Meeting
- February 1 Biennial Reports due
- February 1 Scholarship Applications due to both Eta State and DKG International  
<http://www.dkg.org/sites/default/files/files-for-download/2013-2014%20scholarship%20Application%20Interactive.pdf> (note: form says 2013 but is for 2014)
- February 1 Alpha Zeta Meeting Marshville Wingate Group
- April 5 Alpha Zeta Meeting Monroe Group
- April 12 Joint Initiation Luncheon @ Aldersgate Methodist Retirement Center in Charlotte
- April 25-27 Eta State Convention , Greenville Hilton, Greenville, NC
- July 28 - August 1, 2014 - International Convention, JW Marriott, Indianapolis, IN

## 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

### January

- 10 Virginia Griffin  
13 Peggy Harris  
23 Katie Perry

## Newsletter Information

If you have items for the newsletter, please e-mail them to Kim Warr at [Kim\\_warr@yahoo.com](mailto:Kim_warr@yahoo.com).

