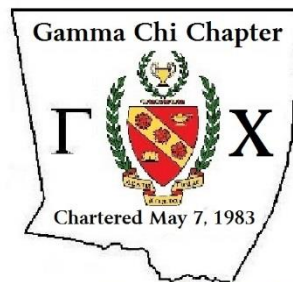


Gamma Chi Newsletter

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Eta State, North Carolina
Region III, Warren County



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy Holidays Gamma Chi Sisters!

As I write this, Thanksgiving is a couple of weeks away and Christmas is seven weeks away! Wow! Where has the year gone? I know each of you has much to be grateful for in your lives. As a chapter and Society, we too have much to be thankful for: good leadership at the local and state levels as well as international, active membership, enthusiastic and talented members to name a few.

Next week the bags will be delivered to the new teachers in the Warren County Schools district. Thank you to all for bringing or sending your items to the October meeting. The Beginning Teacher Support Committee did a great job of packing the bags. Thank you, Norma and your committee!

The December meeting will definitely be a meeting that you will want to plan to attend. Sheila Groves, Eta State NC President, will be our guest speaker. She is an amazing woman! Mark December 1 on your calendars to be at Norlina United Methodist Church. Remember that December is the meeting for contributing to the Scholarship Fund and to World Fellowship.

Ladies, the December meeting is a festive time and great way to launch the holiday season. I look forward to seeing all of you on December 1st at Norlina United Methodist Church!

In sisterhood,

Debra W. Clayton

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MEETING NOTICE

Thursday, December 1, 2016

6:00 p.m. Social Hour

6:30 p.m. Dinner

7:10 p.m. Program featuring

Eta State NC President Sheila Groves

7:30 p.m. Business Meeting

Norlina United Methodist Church

Cost: \$12.00 (make check payable to Paula Aycok)

Cut-Off Date: **Sunday, November 27th**

The Telephone Network should call members for a meal count.
(Norlina Group will need to bring items for the raffle.)

BRING TO THE MEETING:

- ☞ Children's book(s) to donate to the "Reach Out and Read" program at Warren County Health Department
- ☞ Money to buy \$1 raffle tickets (proceeds aid local libraries and NC DKG Educational Foundation)
- ☞ Scholarship Fund contribution; if unable to attend, make check payable to Gamma Chi and send it to Shirley White, Treasurer, 1957 US Hwy #1 N, Norlina, NC 27563 (form is at the end of the newsletter and on our [website](#))
- ☞ World Fellowship contribution (\$3 recommended)
- ☞ Box Tops and Labels for Education (to aid middle school and elementary schools in Warren County)
- ☞ THAT Gamma Chi Yearly Volunteer Hours Early-Career Teachers Form (found at the end of the newsletter and on our [website](#))

AT THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER PLEASE FIND THE FOLLOWING FORMS:

**Gamma Chi Chapter Scholarship &
Grant-in-Aid Contribution Form**

Print and use as many forms as necessary for the honorarium(s) and/or memorial(s) you wish to make.

THAT (Teachers Helping Another Teacher) Form

List all volunteer hours (don't forget the time spent obtaining items for the New Teachers Bags).

Member Prospect Cards

May be turned in at any meeting. Must be turned in by the March meeting since prospects will be voted on at that meeting.

Gamma Chi Chapter Scholarship Application Form

For our members attending graduate school. Due to Scholarship Chair [Jill Coleman](#) by February 1, 2017.

Gamma Chi Chapter Grant-in-Aid Application Form

Please encourage a worthy female senior or adult who is/will seek a degree in education to apply; also due to [Jill Coleman](#) by February 1, 2017.

OUR DECEMBER MEETING SPEAKER



We are very fortunate to have a visit from our Eta State NC President Sheila Groves to our chapter for our December meeting.

Since her initiation into the Beta Delta Chapter of Greensboro in 1997, she has been a very active member of DKG. She served as president of Beta Delta Chapter and Chairman of the Coordinating Council in Greensboro. She also served as Regional Director for Region VII. Sheila is a familiar presence throughout her region and in our state organization. She served on the Eta State NC Membership Committee and chaired the following Eta State NC Committees: Planning, ad hoc Planned Giving, Personal Growth and Educational Excellence. She has been instrumental in many of the professional development activities that Eta State NC leadership has provided for their members. She served as Eta State NC second vice-president from 2011-2013, Eta State NC first vice-president from 2013-2015 and is now serving as Eta State NC president. She has also served on the DKG International Constitution Committee. She was recently appointed to serve on the DKG International Leadership Development Committee.

Sheila was a Reading Recovery and elementary education teacher for Guilford County Schools and served as president of the Greater Guilford County Association for Childhood Education International. Prior to retirement, she was an adjunct instructor and assisted in supervising elementary interns in the School of Education at UNC Greensboro. Sheila received the School of Education's Distinguished Career Award. She now volunteers as a reading tutor for Guilford County Schools and a docent for elementary school tours at the Greensboro Historical Museum.

Please welcome this vivacious lady to our chapter and make a special effort to attend this meeting.

BIRTHDAY PRESENTS

Members with November, December or January birthdays who attend the meeting will be recognized and will receive a present. **Don't miss your birthday meeting!!!**



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Shirley White, Treasurer



At the October meeting, \$55.00 was collected from the meeting raffle; this will be used to help our local libraries and the NC DKG Educational Foundation. Sold afghan tickets brought in \$72.00

Thank you, Gamma Chi Sisters, for paying your dues in a timely fashion which enabled me to submit the Report of Dues and Fees to our Eta State NC Treasurer promptly.



At the present, we have fifty-five active and thirteen reserve members for a total of sixty-eight members. The budgets have been adjusted to reflect these numbers.

COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLICITY REPORT

by Nancy Tunstall, Communications & Publicity Chair



I am happy to announce that my dear friend and predecessor as chair of the Eta State NC Communications & Publicity Committee, Susan Kuenzel, has been appointed as a member of the DKG International Communications & Publicity Committee representing the Southeast Region. Susan will be a great asset to this committee.

Recently this committee has started a new blog. To quote them: "Leaders are communicators, and the Communications & Publicity (C&P) Committee wants to inspire you with our new blog. We hope to encourage you to pursue actively both old and new avenues of communications and publicity. We will be making suggestions, giving examples, and offering help. Join us in our journey to stimulate communication in our DKG community. Posts are made weekly." Click [here](#) to join the blog and the discussion. Two topics in the blog that I found interesting were "Getting Attention – Use Publicity" and "Communicating with Email." Please check out the blog.

Also of interest to communications, did you know there is a DKG YouTube Channel? It currently has 47 videos, including the following gems: convention general sessions and keynote speakers, a tour of DKG International headquarters, DKG Fine Arts Gallery, How to technology videos and DKG members sharing their stories. To view these videos, click [here](#).

Finally, please submit articles and news to Editor [Nancy Tunstall](#) by Monday, February 6, 2017 for the next edition of the *Gamma Chi Newsletter*.

HOSPITALITY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS REPORT

by Paula Aycock, Hospitality and Social Affairs Chair



Meal costs are to be paid at each meeting upon arrival. Members who are unable to attend after making a commitment to come must inform the Telephone Network Chair Nancy Tunstall, at nancytunstall@gmail.com or 252-456-2051 (h) by the cut-off date of **Sunday, November 27th**. When this is not done, members will be expected to pay for the meal. Please send your payment by an attending member or have a friend pay for your meal (they could get you a carry-out meal if so desired). **The money is needed the night of the meeting so the caterer can be paid in full.** Thank you in advance.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

by Jennifer Wilker, Membership Chair

Please take a moment to look around at your school and observe the outstanding educators who have not been invited to join DKG. According to our Purpose 2, we are supposed "To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education." One of the ways that we can carry out this purpose is to invite them to become a member of the prestigious organization of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. According to our chapter rules, the requirement for active membership is, "An active member shares in financing chapter activities, participates in chapter programs and projects, contributes to committee work and may hold an office. An active member shall be a woman who is employed as a professional educator or who has retired from an educational position." Member Prospect Cards are included at the end of this newsletter. Please fill out one or more cards and bring them with you to the meeting and turn them in to me. If you do not bring the card(s) to this meeting, please bring them to our March meeting. Our committee will present potential members for the chapter to vote on at the March meeting for initiation at the May meeting.

Think outside of the box for new members. You could recommend a professional educator from a variety of contexts: a grandchild's favorite teacher, a workshop presenter or trainer, a teacher-of-the-year awardee, the band or chorus teacher at the local school, drama teacher, school administrator, private tutor, or athletic coach.

Thanks to those who either turned in their biographical sketch or turned in their information for their bio sketch. The

committee would like to encourage all members who have not done so, to please get that information to [Nancy Tunstall](#). *Hint:* Receive 10 points on your Member Excellence Award form by turning it in by our 2nd meeting on December 1.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

by Jill Coleman, Scholarship Chair



Please take time to look at the **Dates to Remember** to see the deadlines for various scholarships and grants, and find the link to the application form. Also, if you know of a colleague or someone who is pursuing a degree in education, please tell her about our grant-in-aid for non-members. Our committee

will be meeting soon after the February 1 deadline to review applications for our Gamma Chi Scholarship and Gamma Chi Grant-in-Aid. At the December meeting, I will be glad to take any applications that you have finished.

At our December meeting, please remember to bring a contribution for our Scholarship Fund (could be an honorarium or memorial). Also, please see Danylu Hundley and pick up your afghan raffle tickets if you have not already done so. By being members of Delta Kappa Gamma, we are charged with carrying out Purpose 5: *To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships (grants-in-aid) to non-member women educators.* Reminder: you can earn points on your Member Excellence form by contributing to our Scholarship Fund and/or applying for a scholarship.

WORLD FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

by Loree Harris, World Fellowship Chairman

World Fellowship provides monetary awards to women from around the world to study in the United States and Canada. In the next week or two, International will be announcing the 2016-2017 World Fellowship recipients. Let's hope one of them will be attending a fine NC university.

From Delta Kappa Gamma's initial award of \$2,500 in 1960, based on \$11,528 in contributions, the program has grown to impressive totals: 920 women in 120 countries have received awards totaling \$3,349,100 since 1960. Contributions totaled \$3,944,876.30 (through June 2016).

Contributions and bequests determine the number of World Fellowship Awards given each year by the committee. During the 2014-2015 fiscal year, \$74,901 was contributed.

Awards given for 2015-2016 are composed of 20 recipients who received \$4,000 each to pursue post-graduate degrees from American or Canadian universities. Six talented women received \$1,000 extensions to previous awards for a total of \$83,200 to 26 women in 19 countries.

These impressive numbers tell the story, and Gamma Chi Sisters can continue to impact education worldwide. Please continue this story by giving generously at our December meeting. If you cannot attend, please send your suggested minimum of \$3 contribution to Shirley White. Our chapter goal is \$100, but our committee's goal is at least \$125. Thank you in advance for your contribution and for continuing this story!



GAMMA CHI MEMBER'S ENTRY ACCEPTED INTO THE DKG GALLERY OF FINE ARTS

The Arts & Humanities Jury of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has accepted Nancy Tunstall's entry of *Pillows for a Pink Chair* into the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts, an online gallery of works of art and letters at www.dkg.org. The anticipated unveiling of the new Gallery works will be in November of 2016. There will be an article in the *DKG NEWS* publicizing the new works in the Gallery. Her work will stay up in the Gallery for six months, after which it will be archived.



Nancy's entry was under the category Original Crafts, subcategory Textiles. The judging criteria rubric looked at the design, craftsmanship and function of the entry. Nancy's pillows incorporated a geometric design

done in Bargello, a specialized, counted canvas embroidery characterized by using long upright stitches. Nancy designed these pillows to use with an inherited rose velvet chair that she cherishes.

The next submission window will be January 1 through February 1. Submission procedures and judging rubrics may be found at www.dkg.org. There are many categories and subcategories. Start preparing your entry now!

CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT: HOW ARE WE DOING?

The Chapter Achievement Awards are presented to chapters annually at the Eta State NC Convention. This initiative provides for acknowledgment, recognition, and appreciation in a tangible way for those chapters who meet the criteria at various levels of achievement. In 2013, 2014 and 2015 Gamma Chi was recognized at the highest level—Superior. Not only that, but we also received the Presidential Chapter Achievement Award by being among the top five Superior level chapters in the state. Last year we dropped back one level to Excellent due to a change in the form requiring 100 points more to reach the Superior level. This year we are determined to reach the Superior level once more. Not only that, but we will strive to receive the Presidential Award too. We have determined that there is a possibility of our chapter earning 620 points which will be enough to reach the Superior level requirement of 600+ points. It may not be enough to reach the Presidential Award status though. How can we generate more points?



First, you need to look at the Chapter Achievement form to see what you may be able to do to help. To see the new Chapter Achievement form for 2016-2017, click [here](#). Here are a few things that would help (please notify Debra Clayton or Nancy Tunstall if you accomplish any of the things listed):

- Submit applications for DKG and State Scholarships and/or Professional Development Grants; check *Dates to Remember* in the newsletter for deadlines and links to applications,
- Contribute to various DKG and State funds; look at your Member Excellence form for more information about the various fund or click [here](#) to see the form,
- Communicate with state/local officials (must have examples)
- Submit an entry to an educational website or professional journal, and/or

- Submit an entry to the *DKG Bulletin – Journal* or *DKG Bulletin – Collegial Exchange Magazine*.

Sincere thanks goes out to some of our members who have already helped to add to our point count. They include:

- Ashley Barnette – applying for a Lucile Cornet Award for Professional Development (5 pts.)
- Debra Clayton – serving on a state committee (5 pts.), attending state convention as president (25 pts.), singing in the convention chorus (5 pts.), attending the Fall State Executive Board Meeting (10 pts.), serving as a convention workshop facilitator (5 pts.)
- Diane Colin – applying for a NC DKG Educational Foundation Award (5 pts.)
- Loree Harris – attending Chapter Leader Training (5 pts.)
- Nancy Tunstall – serving on state committees (5 pts.), attending Chapter Leader Training (5 pts.), submitting an entry to the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts (5 pts.), presenting convention workshop (10 pts.), attending DKG International Convention (10 pts.), attending state convention (5 pts.)
- Shirley White – attending state convention (5 pts.), singing in the convention chorus (5 pts.), attending Chapter Leader Training (5 pts.)
- Patricia Williamson – attending Chapter Leader Training (5 pts.)

Please consider what you can do to help increase our point total. Let's all pull together to make sure our **"SUPER-CHAPTER"** continues to be recognized at a high level!



Eta State President Sheila Groves

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

Fall is finally here! In NC that's the time for leaf-watching, football games, and homecomings. It's a time when we show our pride in favorite teams and enjoy gathering with family and friends.

As DKG members we might also think of it as a time to share our pride in an organization that honors outstanding women educators and promotes excellence in education around the world.

DKG Pride – It inspires us to get involved in projects that support the wellbeing of our children, the advancement of our schools, and the growth of women leaders. Pride fills us with a sense of accomplishment and encourages us to do more. It energizes us! Pride in the Society is fostered in our chapters through

- Highlighting our rich history and traditions
- Celebrating the successes of our projects and achievements of our members
- Sharing chapter work with all members through committee opportunities
- Planning projects that make a difference in the communities where we live
- Presenting programs that keep members informed and engaged

As members of DKG we can promote pride through our words - positive voices supporting early career educators, informed voices impacting educational issues, and encouraging voices motivating women in leadership roles. And we can promote pride through our actions - participating in

chapter events, volunteering for assignments, and informing others about our DKG mission.

We are proud to be DKG! How will we show it this year?

sheila

ETA STATE NC CONVENTION BREAKOUT SESSIONS PRESENTERS WANTED, SPEAKER ANNOUNCED

DKG members and friends are being encouraged to apply to present breakout sessions at the 2017 convention in Wilmington. Click [here](#) to view the proposal form.

Proposals are due **January 25, 2017**. Send them to First Vice-President Connie Savell at mcdpm59@gmail.com or 206 N. Roxford Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Proposals should fall into one of the four focus strands—Technology, Teaching and Learning, Personal Growth, or DKG Society.



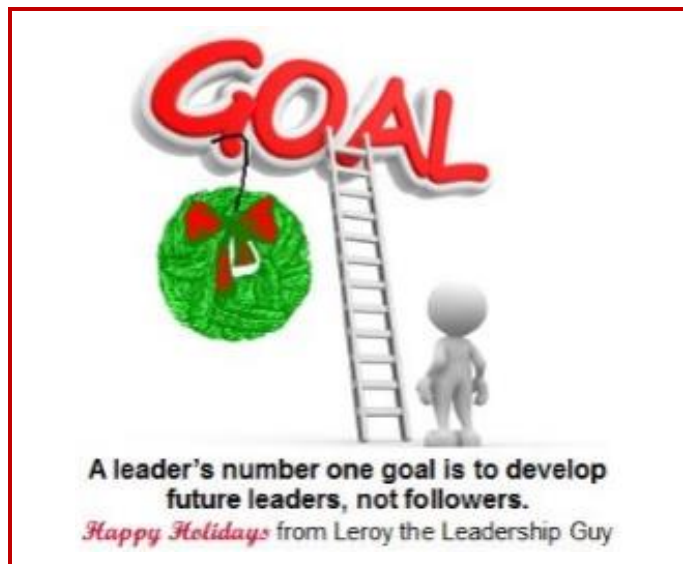
Ann Ipock will be the Sunday Brunch speaker. She is an award-winning Southern speaker, humorist and author of several books, including *Life is Short, I Wish I was Taller*; *Life is Short, so Read This Fast*; and *Life is Short, But It's Wide*.

2017 Convention co-chairs Thommi Stammer, Delta Iota, and Judy Busick, Theta, Regional Director Mary Ann Styons, and the presidents of Region IV have been hard at work planning the convention. Registrar is Elizabeth Miars and treasurer is Connie Marks, both in Theta Chapter. They encourage you to watch the Eta State NC [website](#) for more convention news and for the convention registration form.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

Registration is limited to 30 participants for the 2017 Leadership Development Seminar to be held June 23-25 at Caraway Conference Center near Asheboro. The theme will be "A Leadership Launch: Igniting Your View of Leadership." Participants will discover their strengths using the StrengthFinder Assessment, learn how to use their strengths to their advantage, and practice their skills using a PLC in a different way. Read more about the seminar on the Leadership Development Committee's [webpage](#). The registration form can be found on the [Forms page](#) of the Eta State NC website. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis, so get your registration in early!

LEROY (Leadership Experiences Relevant to Others and Yourself)



DKG TRIVIA—MISPRONUNCIATIONS AND MISCONCEPTIONS



with an “A.”

The last word in our DKG song, “aye,” should be pronounced “A”, not “I.” Remember, the “A’s” have it!

A misconception is that we are a sorority. **WE ARE NOT A SORORITY!!!** We are a Society of key women educators. We are a service organization trying to improve ourselves and education as evidenced by our mission: *The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*

DKG MEMBER PORTAL

If you haven’t already done so, check out the members-only area of the DKG website. All members can access personal data and create a profile through the “My DKG” listed on the menu of the home page found at <https://www.dkg.org/>. Use your member ID (found on your ID card or contact Shirley White at shirleylenawhite@gmail.com) for the username. The default password can be obtained from Nancy Tunstall at nancytunstall@gmail.com. It is not printed here due to security concerns. More information about the secure section of the DKG website can be found on page 7 of the Nov/Dec issue of the *DKG NEWS*:

“Security of membership data is a top priority and was a key factor when setting up the new DKG website. Launched in January 2016, the site has public areas where members and non-members can view information about the Society and contact Society staff and international leaders.

However, other areas are considered ‘members only’ areas. In these areas, members will find information, applications and resources specific to and available only to members. Other items located in the ‘members only’ areas of the website are considered benefits to members (such as publications).

In addition, the My DKG area of the website, which is also password protected, includes member access to a personal profile and member contact information.”

MYSTERY MEMBER



Here is the hint for this newsletter’s mystery member. *Born in Mt. Olive, she grew up with eight siblings. She spent her career as a teacher and school counselor. She made incredible contributions to the NCAE during her career. She has also been a faithful member of DKG for many years. Who is she?*

If you do not know who the member is, you can find the answer by reading our members’ biographies located at <http://deltakappagamma.org/NC-gammachi/members.html>. The name of our mystery member will be revealed at the meeting.

TECH TIP—TED TALK

by Nancy Tunstall, Communications & Publicity Chairman



Have you heard about TED? TED is a nonpartisan nonprofit site devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short, powerful talks. TED began in 1984 as a conference where Technology, Entertainment and Design converged, and today covers almost all topics—from science to business to global issues—in more than 110 languages.

To access TED, go to <https://www.ted.com/talks>. You can find 2300+ talks to stir your curiosity. This summer while attending the DKG International Convention, I attended a breakout session on TED presented by Dr. Diane Anderson, a member of the DKG International Communications & Publicity Committee. She presented us with a link to a handout containing her nine favorite TED talks for teachers. She commented, “From time to time, everyone needs a little jolt of inspiration to keep the daily routine fresh. Teachers are no exception. TED Talks are one great way to take in a thought-provoking perspective and get that dose of motivation.” To see her list, click [here](#).

DKG VISION STATEMENT

*Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide*

ETA STATE VISION (VIEW)

*Voices of Influence Empowering
North Carolina Women Educators*

2016-2018 INTERNATIONAL THEME

*DKG: Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide*

2015-2017 ETA STATE THEME

“Create the Future—Imagine, Inspire, Ignite”

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 1	2 nd Gamma Chi Meeting, Norlina United Methodist Church, Norlina
2017	
January 3	Deadline for applications for DKG Educational Foundations Projects; click here
February 1	Scholarship Applications due for Gamma Chi (click here), Eta State NC (click here) and DKG International (click here)
February 1	Deadline for applications for Lucile Cornet Individual Professional Development Awards; click here
March 2	3 rd Gamma Chi Meeting, Robinson Ferry Restaurant, Warrenton
April 28-30	Eta State NC Convention, The Hilton Wilmington Riverside, Wilmington, NC (Region IV)
May 4	4 th Gamma Chi Meeting, St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Ridgeway
June 23-25	Eta State NC Leadership Development Seminar, Caraway Conference Center, Asheboro, NC
July 19-22	Southeast Regional Conference, Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel, Myrtle Beach, SC
2018	
April 27-29	Eta State NC Convention, Charlotte University Hilton, Charlotte, NC (Region VI)
July 16-20	DKG International Convention, JW Marriott Austin, Austin, TX

Check them out often!

GAMMA CHI WEBSITE:

<http://deltakappagamma.org/NC-gammachi/>

ETA STATE WEBSITE:

<http://www.ncdkg.org/>

DKG WEBSITE:

<https://www.dkg.org/>

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GAMMA CHI CHAPTER MINUTES – October 6, 2016

The Gamma Chi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Society International met at Enterprise Baptist Church in Littleton, on Thursday, October 6, 2016. Gathering and socializing began at 6:00 p.m.

President Debra Clayton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and recognized Charis Shattuck, who offered a blessing before the meal, catered by A-Catered Affair.

Following the meal the president introduced Elizabeth Moseley, Registered Nurse at the Warren County Health Department (WCHD), who presented “Reach Out and Read.” This reading program gives young children a foundation for success by encouraging parents to read to their children and listen to their children read. Children birth to 18 years old who visit WCHD for well-child visits receive an age appropriate book from their doctor. Health Department employees are trained in choosing age appropriate books for each individual child. In addition, they provide information for parents about using the public library, GED programs, ESL classes and the importance of literacy. WCHD asks groups and individuals to donate books for this project. Mary Brodie Raiford moved and Lynne Lassiter seconded the motion for the children’s books that members bring to the December meeting be donated to the “Reach Out and Read” program at WCHD. The motion passed, and Charis Shattuck told members that she would donate her 40% commission for any Usborne books purchased from her for this project toward purchasing additional books. President Clayton thanked Mrs. Moseley for coming and gave her a red rose of appreciation.

The May Meeting Minutes and the Executive Board Minutes were accepted as written by consensus.

Shirley White gave the Treasurer’s Report: Checking Balance – \$1,623.21 and Savings Balance – \$3,575.14. The Treasurer’s Report was received and filed for audit.

Aimee Anderson, Corresponding Secretary, read regrets from Melanie Burnette who had a work conflict, Nancy Tunstall who is on an Asian trip, and Mary Catherine Harris who was hosting a Women's Retreat. Following regrets, she read the Congratulations and Condolences from pages 1 and 2 of our fall newsletter.

President Clayton recognized August, September, and October Birthdays with a “You are the Balm,” lip balm in a gold mesh bag. Clayton also recognized Paige Lamberson's retirement and had a red rose for her. The Mystery Member this meeting was Debra Clayton. Ashley Barnette was recognized for applying for the Lucile Cornet Award for Professional Development. Diane Colin was recognized for applying for a \$250 NC DKG Educational Foundation Grant to purchase at least two more Chromebooks for Vaughan Elementary School.

The Executive Board moved adoption of the 2016-2017 Proposed Budgets for Checking and Savings Accounts. Checking: Brought Forward – \$1,020.27, Estimated Receipts of \$6,125.00 for a total of \$7,145.27 Total Available for budgeting. Estimated expenses of \$6,601.00 for an estimated balance of \$544.27 on June 30, 2017. Savings: \$3,538.88 Balance Brought Forward; \$2,041.40 Estimated Income; for a Total Estimated income of \$5,580.28. Total Estimated Disbursement of \$2,120.00 for Estimated Balance of \$3,460.28 on June 30, 2017. Proposed budgets for 2016-2017 passed.

The Executive Board moved approval of the Gamma Chi Strategic Plan for 2016-2018 Biennium. Motion passed.

Loree Harris, Rules Committee Chair, presented the Rules Committee’s recommendation to add an opening paragraph under Article III Membership. This recommendation was approved as was written in the fall newsletter.

Sylvia Alston, Awards Committee Chair, and the committee moved to accept the changes to the 2016-2017 Member Excellence Form. This motion passed.

Debra gave her President's Report. She attended the Eta State Executive Board Meeting held at Elon University on September 10, 2016. Report details can be found on page 8 of the fall newsletter. She challenged members to continue to make a difference in education by reading questions from “You Make the Difference” on page 6 of the fall newsletter and members responded with BORN READY!

Committee Reports followed:

Sylvia Alston reported for the Awards Committee. The committee recommended a new award to recognize an "Outstanding Rookie of the Year Award" for a member with nine years or less of experience. (All details are not decided.) The committee recommended "The Rising Star Award" as a local award with the same criteria as Eta State. Membership accepted these recommendations. Sylvia then recognized Member Excellence Awards 2015-2016 as Sylvia Alston, Harriet Banzet, Debra Clayton, Evelyn Hall, Loree Harris, Mary Catherine Harris, Ann Kilian, Nancy Tunstall and Shirley White. Next she recognized the Member Milestones as Mary Catherine Harris – 35 years, Crystal Brantley – 30 years, Danylu Hundley – 30 years, Laura Kearney – 25 years, Mary Ann Johnson – 20 years, Jill Coleman – 15 years, Loree Harris – 15 years, Karen Paynter – 10 years, Rebecca Bolton – 5 years, Donna Liles – 5 years and Betty Anne Shearin – 5 years. Finally, she recognized the Perfect Attendance for 2015-2016 as Aimee Anderson, Mary Austell, Harriet Banzet, Ashley Barnette, Kay Beaver, Ginny Bernard, Brooke Callahan, Debra Clayton, Ann Kilian, Diane Reavis, Nancy Tunstall and Shirley White. Janis Meek received the Founder's Award from our chapter and, thus, will be our nominee for the Eta State NC Founders Award for 2017. Mary Austell received the Golden Key Award from our chapter and, thus, will be the nominee to Eta State NC Golden Key Award for Region III for 2017. Debra Clayton was recognized as being one of the first to receive the Eta State NC Rising Star Award in 2016.

President Clayton thanked the Awards Committee for their dedication.

Norma Retzlaff, Chair of the Beginning Teacher Support Committee, thanked members for items donated for the "New Teacher Bag Project." Bags will be prepared on October 13, 2016, at Mariam Boyd Elementary School at 10:30 a.m., and they will be delivered during American Education Week, November 14-18, 2016. Retzlaff reported that as of this week, Warren County Schools had 36 new teachers from as far away as Venezuela and Sierra Leone and as near as Warren County.

Jennifer Wilker, Membership Chair, shared new DKG brochures and reminded members to complete Member Prospect Cards for potential members. Membership Committee moved to accept Maryanne Henry's Reserve Status Request since she has relocated, and Betty Anne Shearin's Resignation Request because of family, community, and personal commitments. Both requests were approved.

President Clayton called for reports on reserve or sick members, and Shirley White reported that Edith Allen was doing well.

Aimee Anderson, Co-Leader of the Northside Girl Scout Troop, reported that Gamma Chi would partner with the troop and the scouts would learn about DKG's purposes.

With no Unfinished or New Business, President Clayton thanked the Littleton Group for hosting.

A motion for adjournment was passed. Raffle items were quickly distributed and the Committees met to discuss and plan for 2016-2017 projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Loree Harris for Mary Catherine Harris, recording secretary

Active members present: Sylvia Alston, Aimee Anderson, Mary Austell, Paula Aycock, Harriet Banzet, Ashley Barnette, Kay Beaver, Ginny Bernard, Diana Bobbitt, Brooke Callahan, Debra Clayton, Jill Coleman, Diane Colin, Sallye Duncan, Evelyn Hall, Patricia Hargrove, Loree Harris, Brenda Holloman, Danylu Hundley, Laura Kearney, Ann Kilian, Lynne Lassiter, Donna Liles, Janis Meek, Jenny O'Meara, Mary Brodie Raiford, Diane Reavis, Norma Retzlaff, Sheila Robertson, Charis Shattuck, Chris Skinner, Shirley White, Jennifer Wilker

Reserve member present: Mary Ann Johnson

Active members absent: Cicelia Aguilar, Rebecca Bolton, Kristen Boyd, Crystal Brantley, Anna Brickey, Melanie Burnette, Elaine Coleman, Mary Catherine Harris, Heidi Hogan, Katy Jones, Renee Mizelle, Tracey Neal, Martha Ann Overby, Karen Paynter, Trina Paynter, Jamie Pernell, Erin Simons, Kristin Speakman, Charlene Spence, Nancy Tunstall, Sharon West, Patricia Williamson



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA
GAMMA CHI CHAPTER

Scholarship & Grant-in-Aid Contribution Form

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

Please send acknowledgement to:

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Lovingly given by:

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Please make check payable to **Gamma Chi Chapter**
and give or mail to:

Shirley White, Treasurer
1957 US Hwy 1 North
Norlina, NC 27563

**The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
THAT Program (Teachers Helping Another Teacher)**

**Gamma Chi Yearly Volunteer Hours
Support for Early-Career Teachers Form**

Directions: Please turn this form in to the Educational Excellence Committee Chair at each December meeting. Totals will be kept so that amounts may be reported at the end of the biennium. Be sure to include time spent on the New Teachers Bags Project. Thanks!

Name _____ Retired: Yes _____ No _____

Date (month/year)	Hours	Teacher's Name, School, and/or District	How you helped

DKG Prospect Card

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Employer _____

Position _____

Phone _____

Sponsor _____

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DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

GAMMA CHI CHAPTER
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

INFORMATION:

1. A \$500 award will be given for use towards tuition or books. The check will be mailed directly to the institution that the recipient will be attending.
2. Applicant **must be** a member of the Gamma Chi Chapter pursuing a graduate degree in the field of education.
3. Application deadline is **Wednesday, February 1, 2017**.
4. This scholarship is renewable each year that the recipient is actively pursuing a graduate degree in education, but *recipient must re-apply each year*.
5. Application should be turned in, mailed or e-mailed to:
Jill Coleman, Scholarship Chair
2035 NC Hwy 58
Warrenton, NC 27589-9280
252-213-1846 (c) or 252-257-1318 (h)
jillhwcoleman@aol.com
6. To receive the award, the recipient **must provide** her letter of acceptance, her student ID# and address of institution she is attending no later than **April 25, 2017** to Shirley White, Treasurer, 1957 US Hwy 1 N, Norlina, NC 27563.
7. A recipient **is expected to attend** the Gamma Chi meeting on **May 3, 2017** to receive her award and have her picture taken for publication.

APPLICATION:

1. Personal Data:

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ e-mail _____

2. Why do you want to pursue a graduate degree (use a separate sheet if necessary)?

3. Why are you applying for this scholarship?

4. List activities (school & non-school):

5. List honors (school & non-school):

6. List two references (one reference must be an educator):

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date _____



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DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

GAMMA CHI CHAPTER
GRANT-IN-AID APPLICATION FORM

INFORMATION:

1. A \$500 award will be given for use towards tuition or books. The check will be mailed directly to the institution that the recipient will be attending.
2. Applicant **must be** a woman (graduating high school student or a college student) planning to or working toward a degree in education.
3. Application deadline is **Wednesday, February 1, 2017**.
4. This grant-in-aid is renewable each year that the recipient is actively pursuing a degree in education, but *recipient must re-apply each year*.
5. Preference is given to Warren County residents or individuals with parents or grandparents living in Warren County.
6. Application should be mailed or e-mailed to:
Jill Coleman, Scholarship Chair
2035 NC Hwy 58
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8. A recipient **is expected to attend** the Gamma Chi meeting on **May 3, 2017** to receive her award and have her picture taken for publication. She will also be treated to dinner.
9. After receiving your award, we request that you update us on your progress at the end of your school year.

APPLICATION:

1. Personal Data:

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ e-mail _____

Status (check one):

_____ Graduating High School Student

_____ College Student

_____ Other (describe) _____

If you are a graduating high school student, check academic standing in class:

____Upper quarter ____Second Quarter ____Third Quarter ____Fourth Quarter

2. Why do you want to become a teacher (use a separate sheet if necessary)?

3. Why are you applying for this grant-in-aid?

4. List activities (school & non-school):

5. List honors (school & non-school):

6. List two references (one must be an educator):

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date _____