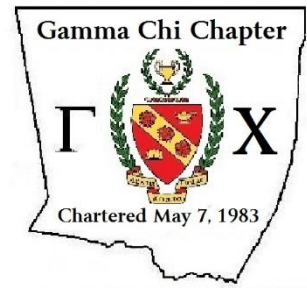


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Region III, Warren County



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year Gamma Chi Sisters!! Today is January 30th, and it is sunny outside but cold! A few weeks ago we had snow, then we had rain and warmer temperatures, and now sunny and cold. So who knows what March will bring! To mix things up a bit at our March meeting, each table will have a number and each member will draw a table number upon arrival. Hopefully you will get to know more of your Gamma Chi sisters this way. This worked really well at the October meeting.

Let's not forget our afghan ticket money! Remember to sell or purchase your tickets to help promote our scholarship fund. Also at our March meeting one of our members, Jenny O'Meara, will be presenting the program on her teaching experience in West Africa. Please come support Jenny and learn about education in another culture.

Let's go to Wilmington in April for the state convention! You will have the opportunity to collaborate with many other Delta Kappa Gamma sisters. If you go one time you will want to go again! Also the Southeast Regional Conference is in Myrtle Beach in July. That is another golden opportunity to meet other women in Delta Kappa Gamma from our region.

One more reminder—I know that life gets busy, but **if you commit to the meal for any meeting, you are responsible for payment even if you do not come. The chapter cannot absorb this cost!** For any meeting, if you are unsure of whether or not you will be able to attend, do not commit to the meal, but come to the meeting if you can. You can always attend a meeting even if you do not eat!

I look forward to seeing all of you in March!

In sisterhood,

Debra W. Clayton

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MEETING NOTICE

Thursday, March 2, 2017
6:00 p.m. Social Hour
6:30 p.m. Dinner Meeting
Robinson Ferry Restaurant



Please be prepared to let your telephone network contact know your choice of **Two River Rub Chicken Breasts or Grilled Shrimp (6 count)** accompanied with Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Bread & Butter, and Beverage (Sweet Tea, Unsweet Tea and Water). Cost: \$19.00 (includes tax and gratuity; make checks payable to Robinson Ferry or please try to have the correct amount). Use the Odom entrance—two steps up to get to the banquet room which is on the right after entering the building. (Note: you do not have to purchase dinner to attend the meeting. That is your choice. The program should begin shortly after 7:00 p.m.)

Cut-Off Date: Friday, February 24th

Presentation by:

Our own Jenny O'Meara

The Three Greatest Lessons I Learned Teaching in Burkina Faso

The Telephone Network should call members for a meal count.

(The Warrenton Group will need to bring items for the raffle.)



BRING TO THE MEETING:

- ☞ Money to buy \$1 raffle tickets
- ☞ Prospect Cards to nominate worthy key women educators
- ☞ Contribution for the International project, **Schools for Africa**; to receive a tax deduction, make your check to U.S. Fund for UNICEF and on the memo line put: SFA, DKG – NC Gamma Chi Chapter; see page 5 for more information
- ☞ If you would like to pick up some afghan tickets for sale, they will be available at the March meeting. Many thanks to those who have already picked up tickets. Ticket money is due at the May meeting, but if you would like to turn it in early, you may do so at the March meeting. The drawing for the afghan will be held at the May meeting. At that time all sold ticket stubs, unsold tickets and money will be due.
- ☞ Box Tops and Labels for Education; they will benefit the elementary schools and the middle school.
- ☞ If you would like to support the convention project, Hope Harbor Home, please bring a gift card or donation—see article on p. 4 for details.

Our Chapter Achievement form has been completed. Click [here](#) to see the results.

OUR MARCH MEETING SPEAKER



We are very fortunate to have one of our own, Jenny O'Meara, presenting *The Three Greatest Lessons I Learned Teaching in Burkina Faso* at our March meeting.

After graduating from high school, she received her bachelor's degree in French and International Relations from State University of New York at Geneseo.

She began her career in education in 2008 by teaching middle school math and English as a Secondary Education Peace Corps Volunteer in Loumana, Burkina Faso, West Africa. She was there through 2010. Her presentation is based on this experience.







From 2011-2015 she taught 9th – 12th grade math at Warren County High School, Warrenton, North Carolina. She served as Principal Resident at Northern Vance High School, Henderson, North Carolina, during the 2015-2016 school year. Currently she is the Assistant Principal at North Edgecombe High School, Tarboro, North Carolina.

In 2013 Jenny received the Sue Lehmann Award for Excellence in Teaching, Eastern North Carolina Teach for America Corps. She was one of two winners selected out of over one hundred possible nominees for this recognition.

The Northeast Leadership Academy (NELA), one of the top four principal preparation programs in the United States, awarded Jenny a fellowship to attend NC State University from 2014-2016. She was selected as one of 16 cohort members and awarded a full scholarship with NELA, a highly selective graduate program designed to develop school leaders for districts in rural northeastern North Carolina.

Please make a special effort to attend this meeting and hear Jenny's presentation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

-  **Brooke Callahan** on receiving a Bright Ideas grant awarded by Halifax EMC to implement her project entitled *Fidget to Focus* at Vaughan Elementary School.
-  **Jill Coleman** on being selected for the Innovative Blended Professional Learning Program. Developed by the Friday Institute for Educational Innovation, there will be two cohorts of the NC Digital Leaders Coaches Network (NCDLCN). She will join 194 other digital learning leaders from across North Carolina. Jill is quoted as saying, "*I am excited to be a part of this cohort and eager to share my experiences with my colleagues so that we are better able to serve our students. Technology changes so quickly. I have to seek out opportunities like the NCDLCN to help me be better at my job.*" Jill is the Media Coordinator at Aycock Elementary School.
-  **Jill Coleman** on the birth of her grandson, Harris Whitford Stall, to daughter Morgan Leigh and her husband Alan. Harris was born on January 30, 2017, weighing 9 lb. 7 oz. and 22 ½ inches long.
-  **Trina Paynter** on being selected as Warren County Schools' Stellar Performer at WCS Board of Education Jan. meeting
-  **Shirley White** on the birth of her second great-granddaughter, Nora Elizabeth White, to grandson Adam and his wife Maria. Nora was born on November 28, 2016, weighing 8 lb. 7 ½ oz. and 19 inches long. She has an older sister, Caroline. The grandparents are Ashley and Margaret White and the great aunt is **Debra Clayton**.
-  **Patricia Williamson** on being named Northside K-8 School's Teacher of the Month for November. She received a gift certificate to Applebees.

BIRTHDAY PRESENTS

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



LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

by Nancy Tunstall, Communications & Publicity Chair



Thanks to all members who signed the letter to our legislators expressing our legislative concerns. *Note: if you use a school email address, your name was not included in the letter.* These letters were sent to Senator Angela Bryant, Representative Michael Wray and Representative Terry Garrison. As of this writing, the only response we have received is from Susan Burleson, the legislative assistant for Rep. Wray. She writes, "Thank you, Ms. Tunstall, for your email. I know Rep. Wray appreciates you taking the time to inform him of matters of importance to you and the Gamma Chi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. I will personally see to it that he is aware of your concerns. Again, thank you, and please continue to let Rep. Wray know how he can be of service to you."

I would ask that you keep abreast of the legislative changes that might affect education. You may keep up with legislation at the NC Association of School Administration by clicking <http://www.ncasa.net/> or at the Public Schools First NC by clicking <http://www.publicschoolsfirstnc.org/>. Also, the Raleigh *News and Observer* website can keep you well-informed found at <http://www.newsobserver.com/>.

If you would also like to keep up with events at the federal level, you may visit the U.S. Forum DKG website and read the U.S. Forum's newsletter entitled *U.S. Forum Connection*. It is found at <http://www.usforumdkg.org/us-forum-connection.html>. There is much going on in the world of education, and it is important for us to keep up with all that happens.

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Shirley White, Treasurer



At the December meeting, \$70.00 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 \$234.00 plus \$72.00 from the October meeting for a total of \$306.00 so far. We have two more meetings to reach our goal of \$500.00.

Thank you, Gamma Chi Sisters, for generously donating to World Fellowship. At the December meeting, a total of \$140.00 dollars was received. Added to \$9.00 given at the October meeting gives a total of \$149.00.



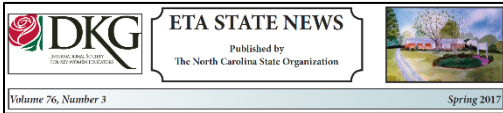
Thank You

Also received for the Gamma Chi Scholarship Fund through honorariums and memorials was \$570.00. Remember, honorariums and memorials may be made at any time throughout the year. It is a wonderful way to remember someone dear to you. This year the Blankenship family donated \$2,000.00 to the Scholarship Fund in memory of their Mother, former member Nancy Peete Blankenship.



COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLICITY REPORT

by Nancy Tunstall, Communications & Publicity Chair



Hot off the press is the online spring edition of *Eta*

State News. This edition is filled with convention information, including the registration form. Remember that it is no longer mailed and must be viewed online. To view it, click [here](#).

Finally, please submit events, celebrations, recognitions and news to Editor Nancy Tunstall by April 10 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 **Friday, February 24th**. 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 would truly be an asset to our chapter and to 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 easy to fill out and are included at the end of this newsletter. Please fill out one or more cards then bring them with you to the meeting and turn them in to me. Our committee will present potential members for the chapter to vote on at the March meeting for initiation at the May meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS TIP

(taken from DKG's *Get Connected!*, January/February, 2017)

It is courteous to take time to reply to emails. Just a word of thanks, a note of receipt, or indication of having actually read an email tells the sender that information is being exchanged. DKG desires its members to communicate and to be responsive.



Eta State President Sheila Groves



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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

Happy New Year! It's time to put the old year behind us and celebrate a new year of possibilities. It's time to make new resolutions...or *maybe not*. My list of 2017 resolutions looks just like 2016: eat healthier, exercise more, get organized, and learn to use my iphone. I truly wanted to do all of those things, so what happened? I had the best of intentions, put lots of thought into it, read and researched, made To Do lists, but didn't check off even one of those 2016 resolutions. What kept me from realizing my goals? I think I found the answer while reading a recent reflection by Mary Anne Perrone entitled *2017 New Year's Revolution For All: No Longer Waiting*. Now I have only one resolution for 2017 – lose "wait!"

- I'm not going to *wait* until I have time, I'm going to make time now.
- I'm not going to *wait* for someone to ask me to get involved, I'm going to volunteer.
- I'm not going to *wait* until I know it all, I'm going to learn on the job.
- I'm not going to *wait* for every "i" to be dotted and every "t" crossed, I'm going to take a risk.
- I'm not going to *wait* for acknowledgement, I'm going to celebrate my strengths.
- I'm not going to *wait* and be paralyzed by indecision, I'm going to take action!

If we wait for the time to be right, the outcome to be insured, the path to be clear, and the response to be guaranteed, we miss the adventure of the journey! Will there be mistakes along the way? Sure, but those missteps provide opportunities to learn and grow. I'm excited about my resolution for 2017.

Will you lose "wait" with me this year? *Sheila*

CONVENTION IN WILMINGTON TAKING SHAPE



"Create the Future: Ignite" will be the theme for the 2017 Eta State Convention to be held April 28-30 at the Hilton Wilmington Riverside in Wilmington.

Be among the first to register for this year's convention. The registration form is now on the convention website found at <http://www.ncdkg.org/2017-convention.html>. Registration is \$35.00 plus \$38.00 for the Saturday night Banquet and \$24.00 for the Sunday brunch. Early bird deadline is April 1. Banquet and brunch meal ticket deadline is April 17 (hotel deadline). We already have two rooms reserved for our members. Also, remember that you can use a Gamma Chi Professional Development Grant to pay your registration.

CONVENTION PROJECT ANNOUNCED



Eta State NC President Sheila Groves and the Planning Committee have announced Hope Harbor Home as the 2017 Convention Project.

Hope Harbor Home is Brunswick County's only program offering around-the-clock response to victims of domestic violence and their children. Services include a fully staffed safe shelter and crisis hotline, support groups, victim advocacy, meals, clothing, and transportation. Hope Harbor also employs a Community Educator who conducts presentations in schools on issues such as bullying, dating violence, sexual harassment, self-esteem, and other topics aimed at promoting nonviolence among students and throughout the community.

During their 30 years of operation, thousands of women and children have found safe shelter and received services through Hope Harbor Home.

Eta State NC members can support this organization through donations of gift cards, monetary contributions and items from the "wish list" posted at <http://www.ncdkg.org/2017-convention.html>. Monetary contributions are tax deductible. Make your checks out to Hope Harbor Home. Please bring or send your contributions or item(s) to our meeting, and they will be taken to the convention in support of this worthwhile project. Read more about Hope Harbor Home at: <http://hopeharborhome.org/>.

LEROY (Leadership Experiences Relevant to Others and Yourself)

I have my registration form and hotel reservations made for the April 28-30, 2017 Eta State Convention. I hope you have completed your forms. My list of "hidden leaders" continues to grow and I am so excited to learn what you have been doing as a "Key Woman Educator." Let's share!

LEROY the Leadership Guy

PRE-CONVENTION AT BELLAMY MANSION



Eta State NC Second Vice-President Sharon Frazier is organizing the Pre-convention activity for Friday morning, April 28. Get an overview of the Wilmington area with a stroll through the past, present, and future in this 10,000 square foot home, museum and gardens. Click [here](#) for reservation form posted on the Eta State NC website convention page.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR CONVENTION PROGRAM

by Nancy Tunstall

This year our chapter's advertisement for the convention program book will honor Debra Clayton, our 2014-2018 Gamma Chi President and 2016 Rising Star Recipient. You can see a copy of it below.

Not only can chapters place ads, but also individuals or businesses may place ads. March 31 is the deadline for submitting ads. I am arranging the ads for the convention book this year, and I have begun to receive ads. If you would be interested in placing an ad, contact me. The prices are \$25 for 1/8 page, \$45 for 1/4 page, \$80 for 1/2 page and \$150 for a full page.

Debra Clayton
2014-2018 Gamma Chi President
and 2016 Rising Star Recipient

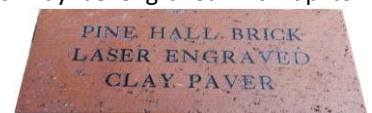
Gamma Chi Honors You & Thanks You for Your Leadership

BUY A BRICK, PAVE THE WAY



Help line the front walk of Eta State NC Headquarters in Asheboro with engraved paving bricks as part of the "Pave the Way for DKG Memories" project to raise money for Headquarters. We could buy a brick to honor or in memory of someone or to celebrate our chapter.

Bricks may be engraved with up to three lines of 18 characters each. The cost per brick is \$125.00.



Forms and information can be found on the Eta State NC website at <http://www.ncdkg.org/forms.html>. Mail forms and payments to Eta State NC Treasurer Ruth Jones at 3607 Wyneston Road, Greenville, NC 27858.

DKG PERSONAL PROFILE – A CONNECTION TO DKG MEMBERS

(taken from DKG's *Get Connected!*, January/February, 2017)



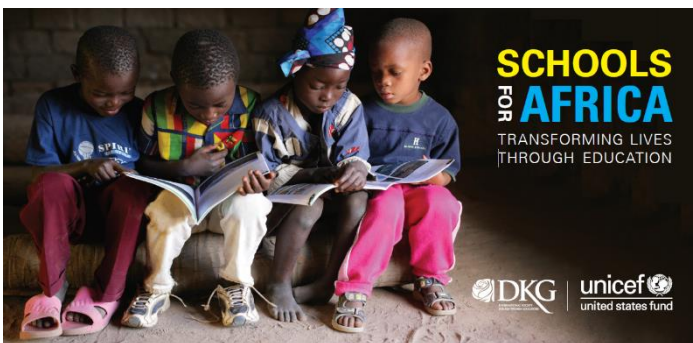
Have you ever wanted a pen pal? Have you ever considered discussing your favorite book with someone from Finland? Or do you want to know strategies and

tips on DKG membership? The Society's website offers the opportunity for each member to make these and many other connections with DKG members around the world.

First, you need to sign in to the <http://www.dkg.org/> website with your membership number and password. (If you do not know these two things, contact [Nancy Tunstall](#).) You are now in a secure website available only to members. Second, create an account by going to MyDKG from the top menu bar. By filling in a very brief personal profile, you can then join communities and also be listed in the Member Directory. For example, the author of this article is one of ten Iowa members with a profile. We are able to join, or even create, a Community.

As of this writing, there are 10 Communities from which to choose: DKG Book Club, DKG Collaborative Communities (for sharing about subject areas and job issues), DKG Communications and Publicity, DKG for Social Media, DKG Home Life, DKG in Canada, DKG Membership Forum, DKG Mentoring, DKG Travels and DKG with a Focus on the Arts. By contacting Nita Scott at nitas@dkg.org, you could even suggest a new Community! She will also answer your specific questions. Within each Community are sections for Discussions, Blogs, Resource Library, Wiki, and a list of Participants in that Community.

Create an account on our dkg.org website and find a Community you'd like to join. Share your thoughts and ideas, questions or concerns, hopes and dreams with other members around the world. Pick your passion and join the discussions today!



Schools for Africa became the Society's first official international project in 2010. Members have donated, as of October 2016 over \$324,150 to the project. Currently the project works with 13 countries in sub-Saharan Africa including Angola, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Niger, Burkina Faso, Mali, Ethiopia, Madagascar, Sierra Leone and Guinea Bissau. The SFA mission involves providing access to quality basic education for children, focusing on girls, orphans and other vulnerable youngsters. UNICEF works through this project with governments, local authorities, communities and other partners to:

- Foster community participation in school management
- Build and improve classroom buildings and equipment
- Create safe and protective environments where children can learn and play (CFS, Child-Friendly School programs)
- Provide access to clean water and separate sanitation facilities for boys and girls in schools
- Supply exercise books, pens, proper furniture and other school and sports materials
- Train teachers to provide children with quality education and basic life skills
- Educate children about proper hygiene and HIV prevention: this knowledge is passed on to siblings, parents, and the community at large
- Provide other interventions, including but not limited to health check-ups, immunization and scholarships
- Insure a stimulating start in life to children below age five

According to UNICEF's most recent annual report on the Schools for Africa project, major gains have been made in:

- Early childhood development
- Access and retention to quality primary basic education
- Non-formal education
- HIV prevention in schools
- Education in emergencies

The March meeting is our annual designated meeting to collect monies for this worthy project. **You can make a difference!** Please donate generously to help transform families, communities—and perhaps countries. Your gift of education is the chance of a better life. For a tax deductible donation, make your check to U.S. Fund for UNICEF and on the memo line put: SFA, DKG – NC Gamma Chi Chapter.

TECH TIP—SMORE

Are you planning a special event that you want to promote? Create a snazzy flyer to capture the attention of your audience. It's paperless, easy, and fun when you use an online application like Smore. Smore makes it easy to quickly design beautiful and effective online flyers and newsletters.



Smore has over 1 million users creating over 100,000 flyers and newsletters each month. While you have to pay to upgrade Smore, the basics are free! To learn more about Smore, visit <https://www.smore.com/>. To watch a video by an educator entitled *Smore Flyers & Newsletters Tutorial* found on YouTube, click <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QKLrpW91fgw>.

To view an example of how a NC chapter, Delta Rho, used Smore to create an art gallery for their chapter, click [here](#).

MYSTERY MEMBER



Here is the hint for this newsletter's mystery member. *She pretended to be a teacher in her mom's classroom after school. She graduated valedictorian of her high school class. Since joining DKG, she has attended every meeting.* Who is she?

If you do not know who the member is, you can find the answer by reading our members' biographies by clicking [here](#). The name of our mystery member will be revealed at the meeting.

MYRTLE BEACH—THE PLACE TO BE THIS SUMMER!



The Southeast Regional Conference for 11 states will be held in Myrtle Beach, SC this summer. How DKG impacts literacy, leadership, and personal/professional growth is the focus for the July 19-22 conference. Conveniently located ten minutes from the airport and boardwalk and five minutes from Broadway at the Beach, the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel is just right for your conference and vacation pleasure! Click [here](#) to make reservations.

With miles of beautiful sandy beaches, first-class live entertainment, exciting attractions for everyone, endless shopping, exquisite dining and so much more, *Myrtle Beach is where you belong.* (Taken from *DKG News*, Jan/Feb 2017)

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

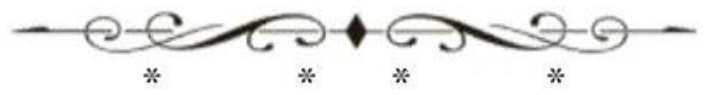
March 2	3 rd Gamma Chi Meeting, Robinson Ferry Restaurant, Warrenton
April 10	Deadline to submit news for the <i>Gamma Chi Newsletter</i> and the <i>Eta State News</i>
April 28-30	Eta State NC Convention, The Hilton Wilmington Riverside, Wilmington, NC (Region IV)
May 1	Deadline for registering for the Eta State NC Leadership Development Seminar— <u>we need one of our members to attend!</u>
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!
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<http://deltakappagamma.org/NC-gammachi/>
ETA STATE WEBSITE:
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GAMMA CHI CHAPTER MINUTES – DECEMBER 1, 2016

The Gamma Chi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met at Norlina United Methodist Church on Thursday, December 1, 2016. A 6:00 p.m. social hour was followed by dinner, catered by the Norlina United Methodist Women. Loree Harris offered a blessing before the meal.

President Debra Clayton called the meeting to order, expressing thanks to the hosting Norlina group and to the caterers. She introduced Eta State North Carolina President Sheila Groves, who engaged members in a game about Delta Kappa Gamma. In appreciation for her visit, she received from the chapter a poinsettia and statement of a donation in her honor to the North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation.

As the business session began, Mary Catherine Harris gave the attendance report, noting 37 members and two guests present. The president asked for a moment of silence in memory of recently deceased Reserve Member Edith Allen.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved. Nancy Tunstall, reporting for Treasurer Shirley White, gave the treasurer's report, showing a checking balance of \$2,241.22 and a savings balance of \$5,723.12. The report was accepted and filed.

Aimee Anderson, corresponding secretary, reported attendance regrets from Janis Meek and Shirley White.

Nancy Tunstall read a letter from Richard Blankenship announcing a donation of \$2,000.00 to the Scholarship Fund in memory of his mother and long-time Gamma Chi member Nancy P. Blankenship. Tunstall also read a note from the state president expressing sympathy upon the death of Edith Allen.

Members with November, December, and January birthdays were recognized. Loree Harris was revealed to be the Mystery Member. Announcement was made of the recent birth of Shirley White's great-granddaughter.

In her report, President Clayton announced the state convention to be held in Wilmington. Along with the president, Nancy Tunstall and Shirley White plan to attend. The Southeast Regional Conference will take place at Myrtle Beach, SC, and the Leadership Seminar is scheduled at Caraway Conference Center in Sophia.

The following reports were given:

- Evelyn Hall, Nominations Committee chair, encouraged members to contact the president regarding willingness to serve on this committee.
- Karen Paynter, reporting for the Beginning Teacher Support Committee, expressed thanks to members for contributing to the New Teacher bags that were prepared and distributed during American Education Week.
- Tracey Neal reported for the Finance Committee, noting that the budget had been readjusted to reflect the membership accurately: 55 Active and 12 Reserve members.
- Jennifer Wilker, Membership chair, requested acceptance of resignations from Rebecca Bolton and Lori Fleming, as well as transfer from Active to Reserve status for Lou Ann Bender, Raegan Ross, and Carleen Stephenson-Gordon, and reinstatement of LaTrenda Hawkins. These requests were granted.
- Jill Coleman, Scholarship chair, recommended acceptance of a request from Aimee Anderson for a \$238 grant for Professional Development. The motion carried.
- Loree Harris, World Fellowship chair, announced a total of \$135 received at the meeting for World Fellowship.
- Danylu Hundley expressed appreciation for books donated to the Warren County Health Department. Charis Shattuck will order additional books for the health department.
- Encouraging health reports were given for Martha Ann Overby and Janis Meek.

Sallye Duncan and Diane Colin entertained with Christmas music on the piano and flute, respectively. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m., followed by the raffle.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Catherine Harris, recording secretary

Active members present: Cicelia Aguilar, Sylvia Alston, Aimee Anderson, Mary Austell, Paula Aycock, Harriet Banzet, Ashley Barnette, Kay Beaver, Ginny Bernard, Diana Bobbitt, Crystal Brantley, Anna Brickey, Brooke Callahan, Debra Clayton, Jill Coleman, Diane Colin, Sallye Duncan, Evelyn Hall, Loree Harris, Mary Catherine Harris, Danylu Hundley, Lynne Lassiter, Donna Liles, Renee Mizelle, Tracey Neal, Jenny O'Meara, Karen Paynter, Mary Brodie Raiford, Diane Reavis, Norma Retzlaff, Sheila Robertson, Charis Shattuck, Erin Simons, Nancy Tunstall, Jennifer Wilker, Patricia Williamson.

Reserve member present: Mary Ann Johnson

Active members absent: Kristen Boyd, Melanie Burnette, Elaine Coleman, Patricia Hargrove, LaTrenda Hawkins, Heidi Hogan, Brenda Holloman, Katy Jones, Laura Kearney, Ann Kilian, Janis Meek, Martha Ann Overby, Trina Paynter, Jamie Pernell, Chris Skinner, Kristen Speakman, Charlene Spence, Sharon West, Shirley White.

DKG Prospect Card

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