# **Mu Chapter News**

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Mu Chapter, Rocky Mount

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#### The President's Corner

Dear Mu Sisters,

I would like to invite all of you to attend the Eta State Convention and the International Convention, both being held in the next couple of months.

The State Convention is in Greenville, NC from April 25-27. I encourage you to attend and participate. Going to a state convention is a life changing experience. It makes you realize that you are just one among hundreds of woman in NC that belong to DKG. You will gain a true understanding and feeling for the term "sisters".

I cannot tell you how an International Convention will be because I have never attended one. However, I am sure it will be sensational. I am looking forward to being one among thousands of other Delta Kappa Gamma sisters. It will be held from July 28-Aug.1 in Indianapolis, Indiana. If anyone would like to attend, please contact me ASAP.

I am excited about our program and dinner on April 29. We will have a business meeting, the induction of our officers, a speaker about organ donating and a pot luck supper. I always enjoy sampling all of the great dishes our members bring to share.

In Sisterhood,

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#### **Meeting Dates to Remember**

April 25 - 27 Eta State Convention – Greenville, NC	
April 29  Mu Chapter Meeting – First Christian Church; 4:30 Setup of Clean up – Fine Arts, Scholarship & World Fellowship; 4:45 Business Meeting – Induction of new officers; Speaker: Organ Donating, Pot Luck Supper	&
July 28-Aug.1 International Convention, JW Marriott, Indianapolis, Indiana	
2015 April 24 – 26 Eta State Convention Chapel Hill, NC	
July 15 – 18 Southeast Regional Convention Westin Harbor Resort Savannah, GA	on
July 5 -9, 2016 International Convention Gaylord Opryland Resort Convention Center Nashville, TN	

**Mission Statement:** The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth women educators and excellence in education.

#### **2014 Eta State Convention**

April 25 - 27, 2014
Region II invites you to ..... Greenville, NC
<a href="http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2014">http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2014</a>
<a href="Convention.html">Convention.html</a>



# Convention Early Bird Registration Deadlines Are Nearing

Excitement is mounting as the time draws near for our 2014 Eta State Convention in Greenville and early bird registration ends in only three weeks! Big convention plans are underway, so be sure you have registered and made your hotel reservations! April 5 is the deadline for the early bird registration of \$25. Registering after April 5 or onsite will cost \$35. One day registration is \$15. Registration for the pre-conference session, "Using Courage to Advocate Personally and Professionally," is limited to 30. The early bird registration of \$12 also ends April 5 and is \$15 from April 6 until April 23. There will be no onsite registration for the session. Hotel rates are only guaranteed through March 26. Registration forms for all of the above can be found on the convention page of Eta State website.

#### QR Codes! They're Everywhere!

Celebrate Eta State's 80th birthday at the convention by learning more about our past in a fun, inter-active way through QR codes. A tip—you may want to download a free QR code reader to your Smartphone or tablet device through your app store before coming to convention! You could win a prize! (Note: see page 13, Spring Eta State News for a quick intro to QR codes and related links.)

#### <u>Convention Workshops Announced</u> Make & Take! Participate! Enjoy!

Sharpen your technology skills, get tips for safe travel, learn new classroom strategies, encourage member participation in chapter work, and discuss the latest legislation affecting education in NC. Use this link—http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2014WorkshopDescriptions.pdf— to find a description of all the workshops being presented April 26 at the Eta State Convention in Greenville.

## **Eta State Songbirds Needed!**

Please take note! Remember to sign up for the convention chorus on the registration form when you register for the state convention! The first rehearsal will take place Friday evening after the opening session. The chorus will sing for the Saturday evening Chapter President's Banquet, the Sunday morning Ceremony of Remembrance and the Sunday Birthday Brunch! If you wish to have a copy of the music before the convention, contact Kiki Neale, Eta State Music Representative, at lesneales@yahoo.com. Let us share our talents in genuine musical fellowship! See you in April!

# **Quick Convention Reminders**

□ Bring supplies for convention project "Showering New Teachers with Supplies." A list of supplies assigned to each region is in the Spring *Eta State News* and last month's *Eta Data*.

- □ All Eta State members are encouraged to attend the business session on Saturday morning and give their input and vote on the proposals before the assembly.
- □ Study these important documents and come informed to the convention: Educational Foundation documents and Q&A power point and Regional Director amendment proposals, found in Spring, *Eta State News*. For questions, contact Connie Savell at mcdpm59@gmail.com.
- ☐ Mark Eta State's 80th Birthday with a special celebration brunch on Sunday morning after the Ceremony of Remembrance.
- □ CEUs will be given for attendance at the convention and the preconference workshop. Sign up at the registration table to get your form.



#### "Pass the House"

# for Headquarters at Convention

By: Patsyanna Barker, Chair Headquarters Committee Headquarters Committee wishes to thank everyone who has contributed to the Headquarters Fund. We are heading toward our goal of \$9,000. At last count we have \$4,362, so we are almost halfway there. Members coming to Eta State Convention, please come prepared to donate as we pass the house. Everyone looks forward to the announcement of a large collection.

If you have not visited Headquarters, you cannot imagine what a wonderful facility we have in Asheboro. Head-quarters consists of a living room, kitchen/dining room, board room, office, bedroom, two bathrooms and a large meeting room. We know you will enjoy the experience! The NC Zoo, a zip line and Seagrove potteries are other attractions in the area. We look forward to seeing you.

Send Headquarters contributions to Ruth Jones, Eta State Treasurer, 3607 Wyneston Road, Greenville, NC 27658.

To reserve a date to visit Headquarters, call Bonnie Edwards at 336-629-6738.

## **International Convention**



Start making plans to join us at the 2014 International Convention in Indianapolis, home of Ball State University, Butler University, and Purdue. With eleven public school districts and a wide range of private schools, Indy also provides great public library services to the fine citizens of Indianapolis and Marion County. July 28, 2014 - August 1, 2014 Indianapolis, Indiana https://www.dkg.org/category/events/conventions

# DKG News Explains Amendments

Watch for your *DKG News* in the mail this week. Most of this edition is devoted to explaining the proposed amendments to the Constitution and International Standing Rules that will be voted on during the convention. Discussion sessions will be held during the convention to provide an opportunity to ask questions and explore implications of the rule changes.

# **Breaking News!**

Four Eta State members are among the 17 recipients of DKG International Scholarships announced this week. They are Susan Blackburn, Wendy Miller, Tara Parker, and Leigh Walters. Congratulations! They will be recognized at the International Convention this summer.

## **Mu Chapter**

#### **Newsletter Buddies**

With more and more items becoming electronically sent only, we need to help out those Mu members who do not have email available. Please look at the following list. If you can help out by sending or bringing a printed copy of these electronic items to someone on the following list, please let Tobey Worthington (<a href="TobeyV8@aol.com">TobeyV8@aol.com</a>) know. We would like to provide a buddy for each member who does not have access to a computer.

Florine Joyner
Corinne Landis
Rosa Leonard
Margaret Lewis
Hunter Stone
Charlotte Thompson
Jane White

#### **Congratulations to Mandy Bailey**

Mandy will be published in the April/May edition of Music K8. She wrote lyrics to help little ones understand the concept of tempo. She is also working on a book!

# **Tri-Chapter Meeting**



Row 1 – Ann C. Bishop, Katherine Collins, Margaret L. Lewis, Margie Parker Brantley, Jeannette Pittman. Row 2 – Ann B. Robbins, Tobey Worthington, Reba Fulghum, Jane Parvin, Suzanne Downs, Patricia Taylor

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, some Mu Chapter members enjoyed a Tri-Chapter Brunch with Beta Theta, and host chapter Gamma Lambda. The brunch was held at Edgecombe Community College, in the beautiful Fleming Atrium. The theme was "Taking Care of ...Me!" Ann Warren, Gamma Lambda Recording Secretary, introduced the program presenter, Timothy Livengood, Outreach Manager for Behavioral Health, Vidant Healthcare. Livengood gave an energetic and humorous presentation. The focus of the presentation was on how the workplace stresses in the Healthcare System are similar to those in Education. The final part of the program was the calming and relaxing voice of Counselor and Clinical Psychologist, Cindy Thomas, of Vidant Behavioral Health Management, in Tarboro. The Tri-Chapter Brunch is held annually, with the host chapter rotating each year.



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International Website https://www.dkg.org/

Eta State Website http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/

Mu Chapter Website http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC-mu/index.htm

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