Mu Chapter News

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Mu Chapter, Rocky Mount

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The President's Corner

Dear Mu Sisters,

Welcome to a new Mu Year! I hope you are looking forward to accomplishing and learning great things this year. Your Executive Board and committees have been working hard planning an exciting, educational and entertaining year. We hope you will be able to join us at all of our gatherings this year. Please note the more flexible meeting schedule published (including a Monday and Saturday meeting).

We need to recommend outstanding women for membership immediately. Please get the name of your nominee to Elaine Christianson grammy1312@aol.com by Oct. 9th. We will learn a bit about them and vote on their membership at our Oct. 20th meeting. Speaking of that meeting, we will be having our fundraiser kick-off and cooking tips program. Diane Day will be sharing her wealth of Pampered Chef materials and cooking tips. Don't miss it!

Those of us who attended the Memorial Ceremony on September 27th feel blessed to have celebrated our sisters' lives in a meaningful and moving ceremony. I emailed everyone the program, and I encourage you look it over. I am sure you will find it beautiful. Thank you to all that made this service so special.

We have decided to adopt RMHS's Beginning Teachers this year. Please send any ideas you have about how we can help these new teachers to Beth Wingfield (bgwing@embarqmail.com) or myself. I hope all have a wonderful fall season and I look forward to seeing everyone on October 20th.

In Sisterhood, Tobey Worthington 4111 S. Old Carriage Road Rocky Mount, NC 27803 h-252-937-8762; c-252-908-1841

"Create the Future—Imagine, Inspire, Ignite"

Dates to Remember

2015

Tuesday Oct. 20 Lakeside Baptist Church

4:45 Kick off Fundraiser and Cooking Tips Program Pampered Chef—Diane Day 5:30 Business Meeting – Vote on

new members

Project: Adopt the BT's at RMHS

(collection of items)

Thursday Nov. 5 5:00 Orientation for new members

Refreshments-Membership &

Officers

Nov. 20 NC DKG Educational Foundation grant applications due

Monday Dec. 7 First Christian Church

4:00 Setup/Cleanup - Leadership

Development

4:30 Initiation Ceremony

5:00 Business Meeting, Program "Cities in Schools" 5:30 Dinner – Catered by Spring

Hope Ladies

Project - Shoeboxes for homeless

students

2016

April 22 -24 Eta State Convention,

Winston-Salem, NC

July 5 -9 International Convention

Gaylord Opryland Resort Convention Center Nashville, TN

Please see the Mu Chapter Web Page for a complete

list of all meetings for 2015-2016.

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



Mu

Birthdays

"Happy Birthday to you"

Oct. 8 Judy Bradshaw

9 Jill Moore

29 Kim Lehnes

Nov. 4 Vicky Deans

11 Diane Day

14 Jackie Ennis

Martha Johnson

18 Ann Robbins

22 Nancy Mooring

Jane Parvin

24 Suzanne Downs

26 Jorris Edge

27 Jenny Hayes

Mu Announcements:

Membership Committee: Have your prospect name to Elaine Christianson by October 9. Make sure you (or your representative) attend the October 20th meeting with the prospect card for your nominee. We will vote at that meeting.

Rules Committee: Be on the "look out" for new changes in the Mu Chapter rules to be voted upon in December. Please read the rules carefully before then.

<u>Projects Committee:</u> Continue collecting teacher supplies, begin collecting items for the Christmas shoe boxes and items for the student teachers. Supplies for teachers can be brought to any meeting. Supplies for BT's will be collected all year.

<u>Schools for Africa Project</u>: Collect aluminum cans for recycling! We sell the cans for money and donate this money to UNICEF for SFA.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Dues are due! Pay your \$75 by the October 20th meeting and your name will go into a drawing for free dues....that is right. If you pay your dues on or before October 20th, you may get your money back. Plus you will make our treasurer's job "soooo" much easier. Thank you!

pampered chef

Join in our fundraiser for Mu beginning with a cooking demonstration by Diane Day at our NEXT (October 20th) meeting. She will be sharing tips on how to cook a delicious meal in less than 30 minutes with an easy clean-up, and save money. And, she's bringing some tasty treats with her. Help make this fundraiser a huge success. How? 1) do some early Christmas shopping, 2) update your kitchen with great products, and 3) ask friends and family members to order to support our Mu fundraiser.



Who am I?



This sister not only fostered a total of 10 teenage children, but also an Australian foreign exchange student for a year who is now a Tibetan Buddhist Nun.

She likes to run 5K races and placed 3rd for women in her age group in a recent

Triangle Autism Run. For whom does she run? Why, that would be for the "Racin'for Greyson Team"!



This graceful sister taught ballroom dancing at Arthur Murray's Dance Studio. One of her pupils was Eva Gardner's brother, Jack. It was later learned that both are 3rd cousins, onceremoved, to this sister!





NC Eta State President Sheila Groves @SheilaVGroves1 https://www.facebook.com/ groups/EtaState/ svgeta97@gmail.com

Something to think about...

How visible is Delta Kappa

Gamma in your community?

As you plan chapter events for the coming year, consider including your community. Dynamic projects and programs certainly engage Delta Kappa Gamma members and, if shared, may also attract new members with common interests. Select projects that offer opportunities to actively participate in service to the community. Reach out—offer to help with a community event, support a local cause, host a special speaker and invite community members to attend. Share the good work of Delta Kappa Gamma in your area!

Grants to Be Awarded from the Foundation

Exciting news from the North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation—the Foundation will be awarding grants this year!

Grants totaling \$1,000 will be awarded this spring, up to a maximum of \$250 for each grant. Individuals, teams or chapters may apply. Application forms and submission details are now online on the Foundation's new website, http://www.ncdkgef.org under the Grants tab. The Foundation is continuing to accept pledge payments now, and again thanks everyone for their generous support of the 100 Challenge. These funds are making the first grants possible.

A brochure about the Foundation is now available. Chapter presidents received the initial copies at Elon and the brochure is available online for downloading. Presidents also received the inaugural issue of *Creating Futures*, the Foundation's new newsletter. Watch for it on the website soon.

Fine Arts Gallery Submissions Open

Submissions to the DKG Fine Arts Gallery opened August 1. Submit your literary efforts, video of your performing arts, two or three dimensional artwork, photography, or crafts by September 1. Read more about the submission procedures and find the interactive forms at https://www.dkg.org/content/arts-humanities-gallery-submissions.

The Gallery will remain open during the submission process. Check out all the great work already online at https://www.dkg.org/content/dkg-gallery-fine-arts-0.



85 Years and Beyond: Advancing Key Women Educators for Life



International President's Blog

Do you follow Dr. Lyn Babb Schmid's blog? The International President shares her personal thoughts, readings, joys, and concerns about our great Society. In her August 31 post, she talks about some of the changes that were implemented at the summer regional conferences. She says, "During the 2012-2014 biennium, an Administrative Board committee chaired by Dr. Jensi Souders conducted web-based research and face-to-face meetings through sessions at all regional conferences regarding what members liked/disliked about regional conferences." The regional directors implemented some changes based on suggestions from that research, such as introducing the incoming and outgoing state presidents at an earlier time than the closing banquet. Another change implemented was the singing of the DKG song—or the absence of singing it in favor of just playing the tune as an anthem some time during the conference, such as at the end of the luncheon. She ends that August post by inviting everyone to Nashville for the 2016 International Convention, July 5-9, and shares the link for her video invitation http://www.deltakappagamma.org/livestream/ channel3.php?code=cIZ3V5AhSV4. "Y'all come!" Read the entire post and subscribe to her blog at http:// lynschmid.blogspot.com.



Remembering and honoring our mission and purposes that we pledged to.

Mission

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education

Purposes (updated 9/18/2010)

- *TO UNITE* women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship
- *TO HONOR* women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education
- *TO ADVANCE* the professional interest and position of women in education
- TO INITIATE, ENDORSE AND SUPPORT desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators
- TO ENDOW scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators.
- TO STIMULATE the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action
- *TO INFORM* the members of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society

Take a moment to explore the International, State and Chapter webpages. There is so much valuable information to be found on these resources. Here are the links:

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

Eta State Website

http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/

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Congratulations to Margie

Holt for winning the bus

and flower arrangement

at our September.