

Mu Chapter News

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Mu Chapter, Rocky Mount

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The President's Corner

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Dear Mu Sisters,

It is October and we have already had three meetings. It has been wonderful getting together with my sisters so frequently. We have already had a productive planning meeting, our Grant-in-Aid dinner, as well as hearing from a former legislator.

At our Grant-in-Aid dinner, our Region 1 Director, Barbara Hardy, spoke of different ways that DKG gives to others and to its members. One of the ways that members can benefit is through scholarships. A few of the ways that DKG gives to others was mentioned such as: Schools in Africa, World Fellowship, and supporting Beginning Teachers. Many of us do not know about these programs. I encourage you to research these as well as other programs at www.dkg.org.

Barbara Hardy also spoke about the North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation's "The 100 Challenge—Launching a Dream" initiative. Each Region is asked to collect 100 pledges of \$10 toward the beginning of this foundation. Mu has collected 15 pledges totaling \$190. We will continue to collect pledges all year. I am excited by our positive response to this challenge.

There are only a few more days to participate in our fundraiser event for this year. Your Pampered Chef orders are due by Friday, October 31st. Please help us to make this one fundraiser for the year a SUPER one.

Hope to see everyone at our next gathering which will be our Initiation on Dec. 9. The dinner will be \$11. Please get your reservation to Marianne Matthews.

In Sisterhood,
Tobey Worthington
4111 S. Old Carriage Road
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Dates to Remember

Thursday, Nov. 6	Orientation for new members (officers)
Tuesday, Dec. 9	First Christian Church 4:00 Setup/Cleanup – Leadership Development 4:30 Initiation Ceremony 5:00 Ballroom Dancing Performance 5:30 Dinner – Catered by Spring Hope Ladies (\$11) Project – Shoeboxes for homeless students
2015 Thursday, Jan. 22	Executive Board – Lakeside Baptist Church 4:45 Refreshments-Board 5:00 Meeting
April 24 – 26	Eta State Convention Sheraton Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, NC
July 15 – 18	Southeast Regional Convention Westin Harbor Resort Savannah, GA
2016 July 5 -9	International Convention Gaylord Opryland Resort Convention Center Nashville, TN

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

Eta State Officer Applications **Due November 15**

Applications for Eta State officers for the 2015- 2017 biennium are due by November 15, 2014 to Vicky Rogers, Nominations Chair, 1210 Fran-cis Farm Road, Waynesville, NC 28786.

President Pat's Message is posted on the Eta State Web Page. Go to:
<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/Presidents%20page.htm>

LEROY (Leadership Experiences Relevant to Others and Yourself)



“Leadership is an opportunity to serve. It is not a trumpet call to self-importance.”

J. Donald Walters

Leroy the Leadership Guy



A Headquarters Opportunity

By: Patsyanna Barker, Chair
Headquarters Committee

The Headquarters Committee has an opportunity for you and/or your chapter to be more involved with Headquarters!

Seven new automatic air vents are needed for Headquarters. The vents are only \$30.00 each to buy and install but are not in the budget this year. The committee is offering you and your chapter the opportunity to purchase a vent. If you would like to donate the \$30 outright or make it in the form of an honorarium or memorial, please send your donations to Ruth Jones, 3607 Wyneston Road, Greenville, NC 27858 and designate it for the vents. The Headquarters Committee thanks you in advance for your support.

The budget for Headquarters this year is \$10,000. Eta State has approximately 4500 members, so if each member gives only \$2.00, we will have a shortage of \$1,000. Please give generously to support Headquarters, and remember the \$30 doesn't replace this \$2 each amount needed for the budget.



Tech Tip

QR Codes—you see them every-where lately and we even had them in our Eta State convention program. So what are they and why use them? Quick Response Codes are two dimensional barcodes, and like the UPC line barcodes, contain information about the product to which they are attached, such as a webpage, text, email address, audio or video files or bookmarks. They are

popular because they are easy to create, quick to use and have unlimited uses in education. See Kathy Schrock's web guide for hundreds of examples. Using them is one way to keep your younger chapter members interested!

Eta State Convention Breakout Session Presenters Wanted

Eta State members and friends are invited to submit breakout session proposals for the 2015 Eta State Convention being held April 25 at the Sheraton in Chapel Hill. The theme will be "Dare to Lead." Sessions will focus on four strands: Technology, Teaching & Learning, Personal Growth, and DKG Society.

A proposal form is posted on our Eta State web-site at

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2015CallforConventionWorkshops.pdf> and should be

submitted by January 25, 2015. For more information, please contact Sheila Groves, <mailto:esvangroves@aol.com>, (336) 274-1079, 1804 Huntington Road, Greensboro 27408.

Mu Fundraiser!!!!

Our fundraiser this year will be selling Pampered Chef. We will need your order submitted online or with the help of Diane Day, by October 31st. Ask your neighbors, friends, family and make out your Christmas list. We will make 25% of what we sell, thanks to Diane Day. She will be donating her profits to Mu Chapter.



Congratulations to our Web page editor, Jackie Ennis! She has once again

received certification for our web page from DKG. Mu is so honored and happy to have you as a member and our editor.

Good Mu News

Jorris Edge is engaged to Antonious Clemmons, who works for the Edgemcombe Power Plant. The wedding date is August 7th, 2015 in Puerto Rico. They will be staying in this area as a married couple.

Jorris would also like to announce that her body is fighting the cancer. Her blood work is excellent, but she is having some vein issues so she will be having port surgery.

Jackie Ennis is pleased to announce that her first grandchild, Harper Elizabeth Melton, was born August 15, 2014 to Margo and Deven Melton. She is enjoying her new role as a grandmother to this adorable baby girl!

Ron and Pat Taylor have become the proud parents of "Pumpkin" (a six year old Yorkie). They recently lost their 12 year old Yorkie named "Piccolo."

Nancy Mooring is so excited to announce that she has a new grandson, Cameron Allen Mooring. He was born on September 25, 2014, and was 7 lbs. 3 oz., 21 inches long. He is precious!

Mu Member Birthdays

November

2 Phyllis Jacobs
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
28 Charlotte Thompson

December

7 Margie Holt
18 Trisha Maxwell
19 Laura Boice
21 Kathy Keeter
22 Jill Winstead



Congratulations to Kayla White

Our Grant-in- Aid recipient, Kayla White, from NC Wesleyan College was very excited to be honored at our September 23rd meeting. She is an excellent student as well as a gifted volleyball player. Mu Chapter was honored to present our award to such a distinguished young lady.



Kayla White, Barbara Hardy, Dr. Pat Brewer, Tobey Worthington

Educational Foundation Launches The 100 Challenge

During the Fall Executive Board Meeting at Elon on September 6, Dr. Judith Carlson, chairman of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation, announced the Foundation’s “The 100 Challenge—Launching a Dream” initiative. Each region is challenged to get 100 pledges of \$10 each before March 15, 2015. These pledges can come from individuals or chapters. Chapter presidents will collect pledge cards and send them to Regional Directors. No money will be collected at this time; the Board will follow up to collect the pledges when they have IRS approval.

Each chapter representative at the Elon meeting was given a copy of a full-color brochure explaining the challenge and mission of the Foundation. They are encouraged to duplicate the brochure to share. Pledge forms are inside the brochure.

The Foundation is awaiting IRS approval of tax exempt status and the subsequent ratification of the Foundation Enabling Act by the Eta State membership. Pledges now give the Foundation a way to project the amount of money that may be donated when contributions start, and the Board can begin to plan for grants from the Foundation. Members can read more about the Foundation on the Eta State website and find a copy of the brochure at http://deltakappagamma.org/NC/100challenge_brochure.pdf. There is also a PowerPoint about the Challenge at <http://deltakappagamma.org/NC/100ChallengePP.pdf>.



MU CHAPTER’S MEMORIAL TO SEPT. 11TH

Mu Chapter stated the year off with a Memorial Service in remembrance of 9/11. Thanks to the Fine Arts Committee, we had music, poems, pictures, and moments of silence for all those who were lost and served on September 11, 2001. It was a moving and humbling service.



COURAGE!!

Mu has been given a wonderful and unusual opportunity. The author, Sandra Ford Walston, of the book Courage, has offered us a rare privilege. She will personalize and autograph each copy of her book that Mu purchases. She will also enroll each purchaser to her Monthly Newsletter. In order for Sandra to personalize each book, we must place an order together. If you are interested in taking advantage of this offer, it will be \$20. See Tobey Worthington. One order will be placed for all of Mu Chapter. Go to: <http://www.sandrawalston.com/>

Leadership Seminar Planned for Summer

The four-day Leadership Seminar, "Cultivating Women Educators for Leadership," will be held at William Peace University, June 17 - 20, 2015. Each chapter is being asked to recognize members (and potential members) who exhibit leadership, to encourage these women to participate in the seminar; and hopefully to help defray some of the expenses for the participant. (The cost of the event is not finalized at this time; a grant is being written to help lower the cost.) The four foci will be communication skills, physical health, fiscal health, and professional growth.

Breakout sessions will be offered in the first three foci, with topics which appeal/apply to educators at various stages of work/life. The Leadership Development Committee, sponsors of the seminar, plans to offer certificate renewal credit. In addition to growing in knowledge, past participants have realized genuine spiritual fellowship and long lasting friendships.



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/>

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

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**“Together, We Are Stronger—
Committing, Collaborating, Celebrating”**