

November Meeting Highlights

By: Jennifer Luper

The November Delta Sigma Chapter meeting had two wonderful speakers to challenge and inform us. Eta State President, Ms. Connie Savell brought greetings and updated us on Eta State business. Ms. Savell, challenged us to be willing to step out of our comfort zone and take on a leadership role in our professional lives. We need to encourage and mentor women to develop and



train their leadership skills as we refine our leadership skills. She reminded us as a teacher we are leaders—this is what we do every day.

Ms. Savell, asked the question, “How do women solve obstacles?” Answer through discussion with others. Our meetings provide us with the perfect opportunity for this discussion. She encouraged us to come to our meetings. This is where you are provided support and encouragement to lift you up. She closed with Be Active and Keep Sparkling!

Ms. Barbara Halisey, Associate Clinical Service Director at Partner Behavioural Health Management, was our program speaker on the top of Impact of Opioids in Schools. The statistics are startling with the amount of Opioids use and how this is making an impact on students lives.



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Reminder:

Please send Awards and Celebration News to Jennifer Luper, to celebrate the accomplishments of our sisters.



A Message from Your President

Dear Sisters,

It was my pleasure to represent Delta Sigma on Saturday, October 13th for the Eta State NC Executive Board

meeting. The day was filled with state officer and committee reports. This meeting allowed me the opportunity to meet other chapter presidents and hear about the wonderful work of DKG across our state. Our afternoon was a time of planning by regions. Our region (Region X) is the host region for our Eta State Convention that is May 3-5 in Hickory at the Crowne Plaza. I encourage you to consider attending the convention for at least part of the gathering of DKG sisters. Delta Sigma will be assisting with this event, and I will be reaching out to ask for volunteers for specific tasks. Please mark your calendars for this important event in our region.

I want to thank the many DKG sisters who assisted Lincoln County Schools with our Hurricane Relief efforts with Jones County Schools. A tractor-trailer was donated by a local business that was used to collect school supplies to be delivered. Our community efforts collected over 12,020 pounds of school supplies for this school district that has completely lost two entire schools. I heard from many of you that were able to assist by contributing to this need. The storm damage has been horrific, but it is so great to see the many helpers and assistance that is being given to other educators in the eastern part of the state. I know the teachers, staff, students, and parents of Jones County are appreciative of this generous donation. There are so many folks that are still suffering from the devastation of the storm.

I want to wish you all a wonderful holiday season. I hope you will find true joy in the season and enjoy time with family and friends.

Sincerely,

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Nomination Wanted for Recognition at Birthday Celebration

Who in your chapter has made notable contributions to education or to DKG on the local, state or international levels? Nominate those leaders to be recognized at the Eta State NC 85th Birthday at the 2019 Convention.

President Connie Savell encourages chapters to think outside the box and determine members in your chapter, past or present, who deserve recognition.



A Google form has been set up to collect chapter nominees at <https://goo.gl/forms/ozSOMHGoZGad73gN2>. The form includes a space for a short biography and a photo.

Say Cheese!

The planning committee for the 2019 International Conference: Arts & Humanities, Asheville, is looking for someone to take the traditional photographs of each state group attending the event, June 27-29, 2019.



If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about this assignment, please contact Sheila Groves, committee chair, at svgeta97@gmail.com, or Tobey Worthington, volunteer chair, at tobeyv8@aol.com.

State Treasurer

Applications are open for Eta State NC Treasurer until January 16, 2019. A job description and application form are available on the Forms page of the Eta State NC website and should be emailed to Carolyn Lane, chair of the Personnel Committee, at clane44@ec.rr.com.

A Message from Connie Savell



Let's SPARKLE!

Goals:

- Encourage **S**avvy leadership
- Inspire **P**assion, meaningful programs and projects
- Analyze and **A**rticulate current educational issues
- Further **R**espect for diversity in membership
- Promote **K**nowledge through lifelong learning
- Establish and **L**aunch a member wellness initiative
- Advocate **E**xcellence in education

In the last few weeks, we have witnessed fall in the coolness of the air and the changes of the colors of the leaves on the trees. In DKG, we are experiencing changes in membership, International conferences, and training for our incoming officers by the International level. As leaders we know with change, we experience new opportunities.

Our DKG International Constitution allows chapters to induct collegiate members. They must be in an institution offering an education degree, have the intent to continue academically and professionally in the field of education, and be enrolled in the last two years of their undergraduate education degree or in a graduate program. If your chapter wishes to invite collegiate members, you will need to change your chapter rules to address this change.

Did you notice I used the word induct? DKG will induct members rather than initiate in an effort to be more professional. Inductees become members of DKG at the time of paying dues.

In 2019, regional conferences, such as the Southeast Regional Conference, will now be called International Conferences and have a theme. In June Eta State NC will host the International Conference for Arts and Humanities in Asheville, NC, June 27-29, 2019. The International Conference: Leadership will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, July 10-12, 2019.

Nomination deadline for Eta State NC officers is November 15 and Treasurer January 16, 2019.

Embrace change and let's strengthen DKG in North Carolina.

Connie Phifer Savell
Eta State NC President
2017-2019

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Time for Sharing

By: Dr. Teresa Cowan, Eta State NC First VP, EEC Chair

"If you are really thankful, what do you do? You share." In this time of thanksgiving, this quote by W. Clement Stone makes it pretty basic. EEC of Eta State NC encourages you to *Empower, Engage and Create* at the local level by being thankful each and every day as you collectively work to share in your communities.

Empower: Members spearhead local outreach projects (Angel Tree, Prison Ministry, ShoeBox Collection, etc.)

Engage: Members gather for "Appetizers & The Arts" - dinner out as a group after singing/visiting at local nursing homes

Create: Members develop relationships with local agencies (nursing homes, childcare centers, hospitals, etc.)

Remember to check out <https://www.ncdkg.org/educational-excellence-committee.html> for more ideas or [click here for EEC program ideas](#).

Registration Open for Leadership Development Seminar

The theme for this year's Leadership Development Seminar is "A Leadership Quest: Discovering How YOU Sparkle." There will be some surprise strategies worked into the program and plenty of networking time. Registration is now open for the seminar, to be held March 22-23, 2019, at the Caraway Conference Center near Asheboro. Registration is limited to 32 and spaces are filling quickly, so apply today! The registration form can be found at <https://bit.ly/2v2OMkT>.

New Password Rule for DKG Website

As of November 6, your password for logging into the member side of the DKG website must be at least seven characters long and contain at least one number. The rotator directs you to click on sign in page and then "forgot password" to reset it using the new guidelines. You may also click the chat feature for help.

Year-End Giving Options Available for the Educational Foundation



As the end of 2018 approaches, members may be looking for places to make tax-deductible donations. Please encourage them to remember the NC DKG Educational Foundation. The Educational Foundation works hard to offer grants to our state's classroom teachers and our chapters. These grants are not possible without donations.

The Educational Foundation website makes donating easy. Donors are given the options of using Pay Pal accounts or preferred credit cards: Visa, MasterCard, or American Express. If donors would like to mail donations, checks should be made out to the NCDKGEF and mailed to Treasurer Betty Marshall, 6212 Dresden Lane, Raleigh, NC 27612.

All of the donations made to the Foundation are approved by the IRS as the Foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Judith Carlson, judithb125@gmail.com.

Two Eta State NC Scholarships Available This Year

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that there will be two scholarships available this year as specified by the Finance Committee.

The Doctoral Scholarship will be available for \$4,000 and a Master's Scholarship available for \$1,000. There will not be a special project scholarship issued this year.

The applications are updated and will be available by the end of October. Please check the Eta State NC website under the Forms tab for the applications, checklist, and reference forms. The deadline for submission is February 1, 2019.

Please share this information and encourage your members to apply. If you have questions, please contact Michelle Benigno, Scholarship Chair, at mtbteacher@gmail.com.

Committee Notes/Announcements

Membership Committee (Brenda Kinney and Kristen Reynolds), Please fill out a Prospective Member Card which is located on the DKG website and email before the end of the year to Brenda Kinney or Kristen Reynolds. A sample card is on the DKG website. Data needed: prospective member's: their name, address, email address, phone number, position, and sponsor's name.

Cards submitted before the February meeting will be presented at that meeting in the form of a ballot. Those elected will be invited to join us for a meeting or the Fashion Show to experience Delta Sigma activities. Orientation and an official invitation will follow.

Scholarship Committee: Please contact Judy Shuford at judyshuford@bellsouth.net for an application if you are planning on applying for the Delta Sigma Advanced Degree Scholarship or Professional Development Scholarship.

Beginning Teachers Committee: Twenty-six treat bags containing glue sticks, fine tip sharpie markers, ballpoint pens, sticky notes, Expo Markers, and a candy bar were delivered to Lincoln County Schools Central Services to be given to BT 1's. The tag on the bag says, "Stick with It!!! YOU can make a positive mark on your students!!!" Happy Thanksgiving! A special thanks to Sheila Wright for donating fine tip Sharpies, ballpoint pens, sticky notes, and Expo Markers

New Design for Online DKG News

The November/December edition of *DKG News* is now online at https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Publications/NEWS_Flipbook_Issue.aspx. Reminder sign in to the page.

This online-only edition features more graphics in the new design and is available as a pdf or flip-book version. *Members must be logged in to see it.*

Tech Tip

This time of year a great idea to invest in a PowerBank which is an alternate method to recharge your digital devices when electricity is not available.



Mission Statement:

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

DKG International Vision:

Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

Eta State NC Vision:

Voices of Influence Empowering NC Women Educators

Delta Sigma LINC Submissions

Send to newsletter editor submissions of member news, committee briefs and articles for inclusion in the February Delta Sigma LINC deadline February 15, 2019

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Delta Sigma Calendar

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Meeting (Programs & Fine Arts Committee)	January 10, 2019	4:00 pm	Boger City Methodist Fellowship Hall
Meeting (Beginning Teachers Committee)	February 19, 2019	4:00 pm	Boger City Methodist Fellowship Hall
Fashion Show Set up (All members)	April 12, 2019	3:00 pm	First Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
Fashion Show (All members)	April 13, 2019	10:00 am	First Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
Meeting (Scholarship & Finance Committees)	May 9, 2019	6:00 pm	Boger City Methodist Fellowship Hall

State and International Calendar

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Eta State NC Leadership Conference	March 22-23, 2019	Caraway Conference Center Sophia, NC
Eta State Convention	May 3-5, 2019	Crowne Plaza Hickory, NC
International Conference	June 27-29, 2019	Asheville, NC
International Convention	July 7-11, 2020	Philadelphia, PA

Important Web Links for Chapter Members

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

Eta State Website: www.ncdkg.org

Delta Sigma Website: <http://deltasigmanc.weebly.com>



November Eta Data:

<https://www.ncdkg.org/uploads/8/0/8/5/80859646/etadatanov2018.pdf>