

Gamma Sigma Signal

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL
ETA STATE REGION VI MOORE COUNTY, NC
GAMMA SIGMA CHAPTER
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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

February 15, 2014 9:30am Catered Luncheon

Program: Beverly Lashley, Author

Location: Moore County Schools
Central Office HWY 15/501 S

Invocation: Juanita Harbour

Hostesses: June Albright* (336-625-7455)
Donna Tew
Kitty Appanaitis



****The Executive Board will meet a 9am.**

President's Message

President: Sara Webster

Our featured speaker for February 15th is our own Beverly Lashley. You will not want to miss her presentation or a chance to take a look at her published works. I have asked her to bring some extras along so that we may purchase them.

Biennial reports have been completed and sent in and now the Chapter Achievement Application is being finalized. Elaine Sills is working on her published works for us to send in. Right now it looks like we will have enough points to be recognized again as a chapter of distinction. Thank you for all of your help getting this accomplished!

If there is anyone interested in applying for both Eta State or International Scholarship, please note that the deadline to turn them in is February 1st. That is also the deadline for Cornetet Professional Development Award and for the submission for the Gallery of Fine Arts entries. For more information, go to www.dkg.org . The Golden Key Award has been awarded to one member from each region at the last two conventions. This award is designed to recognize outstanding members who work hard to keep their chapter going without personal glory or gain for themselves. The standards and the application are both posted on the Eta State website on the [Awards Committee page](#). All applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2014. Please complete as much of the application as possible and include a picture.

It is not too early to think about going to the Eta State Convention in Greenville for April 25-27. I highly recommend all of the new officers for the new biennium 2014-2016 to attend. The convention is full of helpful information to incoming officers and the presenters are very knowledgeable.

The International Convention is in Indianapolis, Indiana on July 38-Aug. 1. Many activities have been planned besides Delta Kappa Gamma business. Lucille Leeman has been to many conventions and can attest to the benefits of attending.

I look forward to seeing each of you at our February 15th meeting. It will be at the Central Office in Carthage and Reggie Long is catering. Therefore it is imperative that we get an early count for attendance. Please R.S.V.P. as soon as you can. Make it easy for our hostesses to plan!

Sara Webster

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Other Announcements

Save the Date for

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games Pipes/Drums/Brass in Concert

National Tartan Day, Sunday, April 6, 2014, 2pm

Robert E. Lee Auditorium, Pinecrest High School

FREE ADMISSION



“One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world.”

— *Malala Yousafzai*

February 1, 2014

**International Scholarship Applications are due.
Go to the Society website and look under FORMS.**

February 1, 2014

Biennial reports due to ETA State

February 15, 2014

**Gamma Sigma Meeting
Central Office MCS 9:30am Catered**

April 15, 2014

**Gamma Sigma Meeting West Pine Middle
Appetizer, Salad Dessert Covered Dish**

April 25-27, 2014

**ETA State Convention
Greenville Hilton, Greenville, NC**

July 28-August 1, 2014

**International Convention
JW Marriott, Indianapolis, IN**

April 24-26, 2015

**ETA State Convention
Chapel Hill Sheraton, Chapel Hill, NC**

Who's Who

Can you guess which Gamma Sigma Sister?

1. Who has three grandchildren: Olivia, Klay, and Johnny?
2. Who among us is an Auburn University alumni?
3. Who joined Moore County schools from Orleans Parish, Louisiana?

*CORRECTION: December's newsletter asked "Who among us has the distinguished honor of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine?" The correct answer is:
Gladys Britt, Judy Loving, AND Jane McPhaul



Membership Report

Membership Chair: Wanda Sweeney

Forms will be available for recommendation for membership in Delta Kappa Gamma at our February meeting. Members should be considering those who might be eligible. To be considered for invitation for active membership, a woman educator must:

- Have had professional preparation.
- The new rule includes **no requirement** for amount of service as a professional educator in advance of the invitation, **nor** does it eliminate retired educators from the pool of eligible candidates.
- Have professional proficiency, with characteristics such as:
 1. Knowledge and skill in her area of educational work.
 2. Active participation in professional groups at local, state, regional, national, and/or international levels.
 3. Interest in professional growth revealed through reading, attending workshops, participating in educational travel and pursuing graduate study.
 4. Willingness to participate in professional research and investigation.
 5. Willingness to assume leadership responsibilities.
- Be a contributing member of her community.

Our chapter decided that members can talk with prospective members prior to their recommendations in order to ensure their interest in joining Delta Kappa Gamma. The deadline for nominations will be on **April 4**, and then we will vote on new members at our last meeting of the year on **April 15**.

Reinstatement of Former Members

Please consider approaching former Gamma Sigma members and invite them to be reinstated in our DKG Society. At one time, a member who dropped her DKG membership could only return if the chapter approved. Now a former member shall be reinstated to membership by the chapter receiving the request.

Chapter Profile Survey

At our February 15 meeting, members will complete a chapter profile survey, which will only take about ten minutes. One of the questions will ask the number of years that you have been in DKG. I will also have that information at our meeting if you have any questions.



Literacy Initiative Report

Literacy Initiative Chair: Peggy Olney

Don't forget to bring items for Lorna Clack and the Laundromat literacy project.

They include: children's books and magazines, coloring books, crayons, blank paper, and sharpened pencils. Thanks.



Who's Who Answers

1. Annette Blue
2. Beverly Lashley
3. Dedra Waller



Delta Kappa Gamma: Sigmas Laundromat Library

The Delta Kappa Gamma is an international honor society of women educators dedicated to quality education for our children and youth. The Sigma Chapter, in Moore County, North Carolina, seeks to put good books and literature into the hands of young readers through Laundromat Libraries. These free books offered in Laundromat Libraries are located in Laundromats in Robbins and other towns as our book supply permits.



Pictured above is one of our libraries loaded with age-appropriate good books.



Seen enjoying this DKG Laundromat Library are Norah Thomas, a first grader and her sister, Sarah Thomas, a third grader in Moore County Schools.

Do you have good used or new books you would like to contribute to this program? If so call Dr.Lorna Clack @947-5614 for pick-up.



The Holiday Bazaar





DKG Meeting Notes
December 7, 2013
Pinehurst Members Club

The annual bazaar and luncheon, held in conjunction with Delta Rho, was held at the newly renovated Pinehurst Members Club. At 9:00 A.M. Barbara Keller, the president of Delta Rho, called the group to order and introduced our special guest Emily Lucas, Region VI Director. Ms. Lucas spoke for a few minutes focusing the group on their "M & M's." She is encouraging all members to mentor to the personal needs of the chapter, whether it be helping members with children or doing small good deeds in general. Following an invocation and expression of devotion, Pamela Beal introduced the Temple Teens, directed by Tom Dalton, who delighted everyone with an upbeat musical presentation. They received a standing ovation!

At 11:05 A.M. the Gamma Sigma chapter business meeting was called to order by its president Sara Webster.

- Minutes - Previous meeting notes were accepted without revisions.
- Treasurer's Report- Annette Blue noted the \$2 donation per member that was previously approved by the chapter. \$118 was submitted but only \$38 was collected. She requested that anyone who had not paid should add \$2 to the envelope for this project. She thanked those who have already paid. A 2014 budget was presented for review. The motion was made and seconded to accept the budget as drafted. The group voted and the budget was accepted.
- Correspondence--Kate Faw read notes from Pam Zell and Juanita Harbour. A reminder to all was made regarding the importance of signing in at each meeting.
- World Fellowship - Kitty Appanaitis passed the basket for donations.
- Literacy Initiative-Peggy Olney shared information from her committee. They recommend that the \$500 in the budget be given to Robbins Elementary for continuation of the RIF program. They felt it might be advisable to contact other organizations to match our funds. The motion was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion approved.
- The Laundromat initiative was also discussed. Lorna Clack explained that the two locations selected were in Vass and in Robbins. Members are encouraged to bring fun items related to literacy (crayons and coloring books, paper and pencil game books, etc.) to future meetings.
- Gladys Britt shared the importance of our flowers for those experiencing loss.
- The brag basket was passed by Peggy for literacy projects. Comments were made by Tandra Chamberlain regarding Friend to Friend, and kudos were given to Jane McPhaul for her assistance in booking the lovely location.

Unfinished Business:

- The suggestions for the following allotment of funds were presented and approved:
State Headquarters Fund \$118
Emergency Fund \$25
Schools for Africa \$50
ETA State Scholarship Fund \$25

- Dates to remember were presented.
- Sara reminded everyone of the two surveys being circulated. She is hoping for 100% participation and offered a pencil and paper copy to anyone who wished to complete it today. She would then submit it.
- Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

**Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Favinge**