



Alpha Beta Bits

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International – Eta State, NC

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DATES TO REMEMBER

September 15,
2018

Fall Executive Board
Meeting, Elon College

May 2–5,
2019

Eta State
Convention
Hickory, NC

May 1–3,
2020

Eta State
Convention
Greensboro, NC



ALPHA BETA CHAPTER OFFICERS

Karen Parker
President

Trudy Farnell
1st Vice President

Terri Sessoms
2nd Vice President

Ann Brown
Secretary

Becky Kuszmaul
Treasurer

Message from President Karen Parker

Happy Thanksgiving, Alpha Beta Sisters! I hope that you are enjoying the many joys of the Season. I know that this time of year can become overwhelming at times; however, despite the rushed schedules and its many demands, I hope that you and your loved ones take time to enjoy it.

I continue to be honored to serve you as president! You are such an amazing

group of ladies! Let me just brag on you a little:

☑ You ladies really stepped up and provided such beautiful and enticing items for our annual sell! Homemade cakes, artwork and pottery handmade by our very own sisters, beautiful Christmas decor items....I could go on and on. We made over \$600 for our Endowment fund!

This is up a little from the past few years! Great job ladies! Through successful events such as this one, we are able to continue our scholarship. A special thanks to Terri Sessoms and the Show and Sell Committee for making this fundraiser a success!...See Page 2

President
Karen Parker
2018-2020



New Perspective Members

It is the time of year when we begin looking for new Alpha Beta members. The good news is there are so many wonderful educators across Johnston County Schools who would be such a great asset to our Chapter.

We need to have you complete the **Perspective Members Form** that was

emailed to you.

We will vote at the February meeting, so having these forms in advance will help speed up the process. The bio information to be shared at the Feb. meeting comes directly from this form, so please fill out the form with as much information as you can.



The
Perspective
Members Form
is available on
Page 15.



Message From President (Cont.)

- ☑ The Literacy Committee asked for your help in their project and you showed up there also! The Literacy Committee is collecting Christmas books to present to each of the preschool students at Selma Elementary. At our meeting, you donated 21 books! This was awesome! I'm sure that many of you, like myself, just couldn't purchase any books before the meeting.....or maybe you were unable to attend the meeting! Well, it's not too late. The Literacy Committee is still collecting books. Their goal is to get about 55 books. You may drop any donations at the AG Glenn Building and leave them with the receptionist. Please mark them to the attention of Amy Stanley.
- ☑ Our chapter is full of amazing ladies, both past and present! We are blessed with an incredible legacy of sisters who have provided such professional examples for us to live up to. Eta State is planning to celebrate members such as these who have made notable contributions to the society on a local, state, or international level. They will be recognized at the 85th Birthday Celebration of Eta State at the State Convention in Hickory. Our Awards Committee is working on this. Nominations are due to Eta State by February 1, 2019. Please contact LarKeysha Sheppard (lsheppard9@hotmail.com) with the names of any members, past or present, who deserve to be recognized. This is our opportunity to showcase the amazing Alpha Beta sisters on a state level.

Lastly, remember this is our year to accept new members. Do you know other key women educators that would be an asset to our chapter? Please spend some time thinking about the educators that you know. Nomination forms have been emailed to you. You may also contact Darla Peedin (dppeedin@gmail.com) for forms. These completed forms need to be returned to Darla (154 Peedin Ext., Selma, NC 27576) as soon as possible! We will vote on new members at the February meeting.

Again, ladies, I hope you and your family celebrate this season. Karen - abetapresident@gmail.com

Alpha Beta Chapter Minutes/Treasurer's Report



Please read the minutes and treasurer's report before each meeting.

Upcoming Alpha Beta 2019 Chapter Meetings

Feb. 26, 2019

May 7, 2019

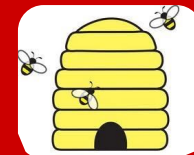
**First Baptist Church,
Smithfield, N.C.**



Don't forget, you can donate to our **Alpha Beta Chapter Endowment Fund** in honor and/or memory of one of our Sisters. See copies of the form on **Page 12**.



Saving the Bees



CREATING A NEW QUEEN

Honeybees are intriguing! Each newsletter will feature interesting facts about bees. If you become fascinated with bees, contact Karen Creech and share in her quest to help reverse the current trend of declining numbers of honeybees.

"If the queen bee needs to be replaced, worker bees will create a new queen by selecting a young larva (the newly hatched baby insects) and feed it a special food called **"royal jelly"**. This enables the larva to develop into a fertile queen." The **"royal jelly"** is secreted from the glands in the hypopharynx of nurse bees.

When worker bees decide to make a new queen, it is usually because the old one is either weakening or dead. The chosen small larvae are fed copious amounts of **"royal jelly"** in specially constructed queen cells. This type of feeding triggers the development of queen morphology, including the fully developed ovaries needed to lay eggs."

<https://www.natgeokids.com/za/discover/animals/insects/honey-bees/>



On election night, I was not surprised when Terri Sessoms got the number of votes she needed to get a seat on the Johnston County Schools Board. Way to go, Terri!

How fortunate for us to have someone like Terri who has a strong commitment to the children and the citizens of Johnston County representing us.



Terri Sessoms
Johnston County
School Board



**Delta Kappa Gamma
International
Web site:**

www.dkq.org



Eta State Scholarships



Each year, the Eta State NC Scholarship Committee awards scholarships as specified by the Eta State NC Finance Committee. The Eta State NC Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that there will be **two scholarships** this year, a **Doctoral Scholarship** that will be available for \$4,000, and a **Master's Scholarship** that will be available for \$1,000. A special project scholarship will not be issued this year.



To download a copy of the application, checklist, and reference form, go to the Eta State Web site: <https://www.ncdkg.org/> and click on **Forms**. The **deadline** for submission is **February 1, 2019**.

If you have any questions, please contact **Michelle Benigno, Eta State NC Scholarship Chair**, at mtbteacher@gmail.com.

2018-2020 Region III Director

If you were unable to attend our November meeting, you missed a very special treat. We were very fortunate to have a guest who brought greetings from Eta State. Our guest for the meeting was Terry Denny. She is the 2018-2020 Region III Director.

Terry is a member of the Alpha Omicron Chapter in Wake County. As the Region III Director, she will serve as the liaison between the Eta State NC leadership and the ten chapters in Warren, Franklin, Wake and Johnston Counties.

Terry didn't have to travel far too be with us. She and her husband reside in Garner. Just recently she retired after 32 years of distinguished service in Wake County as an elementary music teacher.

Now that she has a little more free time, she will be able to continue serving as secretary of the NC Fossil Club, as well as serve as a volunteer at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences in the paleontology collections.

Terry is also very active in her church music ministry where she plays hand bells and sings in two choral groups. In the past she served as president of the Alpha Omicron Chapter. She is presently serving as corresponding secretary.



Terry Denny
2018-2020
Region 3
Director



Please use the url for
our state web site -

<http://www.ncdkg.org/>

Let's Stay Connected



Alpha Beta Chapter NC

🔒 Closed Group

Joined ▼

➦ Share

✓ Notifications



Eta State NC Convention 2019

Plans are progressing for the **Eta State NC Convention** to be held in **Hickory** on **May 3-5, 2019**. Hotel registration is now open, and the workshop session proposal form and the convention ad form are available on **Pages 13 and 14**.

Hotel reservations for the convention may be made by calling the **Crowne Plaza Hickory Hotel**, 1385 Lenoir-Rhyne Blvd., SE, at 828-323-1000. The rate is \$95 plus tax. There are a few suites for \$129 plus tax. Members should identify themselves as part of Delta Kappa Gamma to get the group rate.

Workshop presenters are needed for Saturday afternoon **sessions** at the convention in the strands of **DKG Society, Professional Growth or Personal Growth**. **Deadline** for submission is **February 1, 2019**. Each chapter is encouraged to place an ad honoring members, activities, projects, or achievements.



Last Call for Proposals to Amendments

Time is running out to propose amendments to the *Eta State NC Bylaws* or *Standing Rules*. Proposals are due to Rules Committee Chair Tammy Cullom at dkgtammy@gmail.com by December 1.

The [official form](#) for submitting proposals can be found under the [Forms](#) tab. Once the Rules Committee discusses the proposed

amendments, each will be shared with chapters and presented for voting at the Eta State NC Convention in May 2019.

Proposed amendments may be made to both the *Eta State NC Bylaws* and *Standing Rules* in odd numbered years.

2018-2020 INTERNATIONAL THEME

*DKG: Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide*

2017-2019 ETA STATE NC THEME

"Let's SPARKLE!"

DKG MISSION STATEMENT

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

DKG VISION STATEMENT

*Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide*

ETA STATE NC VISION (VIEW)

*Voices of Influence Empowering
North Carolina Women Educators*

Message From President Savell



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™

President Savell shared that she has begun to witness fall in the coolness of the air and the changes of the colors of the leaves on the trees. She also thinks that DKG is experiencing changes in membership, International conferences, and training for our incoming officers at the International level. As leaders, she believes that with change, we experience new opportunities.

As you may not know, our DKG International Constitution allows chapters to induct collegiate members. The perspective members 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 we wish to invite collegiate members, we will need to change our chapter rules to address this change. Another change she wants us to be aware of is that DKG will induct members rather than initiate. This is in an effort to be more professional.

To read more of President Savell's message, go to **Vol. 10, No. 5** of the Eta State Newsletter. Also, you can email her at: mcdpm59@gmail.com.



**President
Connie Savell**
2017-2019

GOALS

**S
P
A
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Encourage **S**avvy leadership

Inspire **P**assionate, 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

Message From International President Cathy P. Daugherty



Cathy P. Daugherty, our newly inducted International President, had the following words she wanted to share at the International Convention, **"I wanted you to know I am on the brink of the continued journey. We, as a convention, have heeded the minds, voices, and actions that will keep us forward moving ever...It's not my story... It's our story. YOU and WE are 'Leading women educators, impacting education worldwide.'"** Unfortunately, she wasn't able to share them because convention business preempted this agenda item. She was ok that she didn't get to share them at the convention because she believes you can visualize the words in the context they truly represent and the evolutionary continuum they represent going forward into this biennium.

She also shared that moving from one set of elected international officers, board members, and appointed committee members should not result in a "throwing the baby out with the bathwater" mentality. She believes that building on the past moves us farther and faster along the path to destinations sought. To grow, she says we must concentrate on turning into actions the ideas generated in possibilities discussed in previous biennia. That is your president's vision for 2018- 2020. We are DKG members, **"Leading women educators impacting education worldwide."**

To read more details from President Daugherty's message, go to www.dkg.org, and look under **Resources**.



**INTERNATION
AL PRESIDENT**

**Cathy P.
Daugherty**
2018-2020

Oct.— Mar. Birthdays



A special **“Birthday Wish”** from your Alpha Beta Sisters

October	November	December
Glenda Toler - 4	Karen Parker - 2	Jenny Batten-Wiley - 1
Karen Creech - 22	Janice White - 5	Jennifer Roberts - 7
Mary Ann Lee - 22	Denise Byrd - 9	Abby Salas - 15
Terri Sessoms - 25	Eloise Bonds - 11	Pamela Batchelor - 29
	LarKeysha Sheppard - 11	Johna Faulconer - 29
	Barbara Barnes - 14	
	Ana Lucia Milazzotto - 14	
	Ashely Radford - 18	
	Sonya Kiser - 28	



January	February	March
Carolyn Riddick - 1	Morgan Dickens - 3	Darla Peedin - 9
Leigh Ann Nichols - 4	Kristy Stephenson - 4	Carol Massenburg - 13
Joyce Matthews - 13	Gayle Barbour - 21	Angie Proctor - 14
Cathy Cox - 16	Jean Stowers - 26	Renee Wiggs - 28
Jennifer Swartz - 27	Mary Helen Sills - 26	Marlene Sanders - 30
Ann Parrish - 28		
Heather Barbour - 31		
Glenda Hales - 31		

***SPECIAL NOTE :** If you have a birthday in the months listed above and you do not see your name on the list, please contact Karen at: alphabetachapternc@gmail.com. She will make sure you are included on the list.

Purpose and Mission



The Delta Kappa
Gamma Society
International

promotes professional and
personal growth of women
educators and excellence in
education.

Alpha Beta Chapter
Organized April 19, 1952

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.



Thoughts and Prayers



We have several members or their family members who are not doing well. I know they will appreciate you keeping them in your thoughts and prayers.

Barbara Barnes	Betty Ferrell	Maylene Sanders
Laura Faye Canaday	Glenda Hales	Bess Ragsdale

If you would like to add someone to this list, please contact Karen at:
[**alphabetachapternc@gmail.com**](mailto:alphabetachapternc@gmail.com)



If you have an idea for an article or information you would like to see added to the newsletter, please contact the editor, **Karen Creech**, at
[**alphabetachapternc@gmail.com**](mailto:alphabetachapternc@gmail.com)



Let's help children get "Wrapped up in a Good Book" this Holiday Season



Please bring a Christmas Book
for a preschool aged child or a
monetary donation.

These books and donations will be shared with JCPS
preschool and High School children in need.

Organized by the DKG Literacy Committee
For more information or questions,
please contact Amy Stanley or Heather Pennica

DATES TO REMEMBER - ETA STATE NC

September 30	Deadline to submit NC DKG Educational Foundation proposal for a grant (up to \$500)
October 10	Deadline to submit to the Eta State News
October 27	Eta State NC's Founders Day (Eta State NC will be 84)
November 15	Deadline for nominations for Eta State NC Officers for the 2019-2021 biennium
December 1	Deadline for amendments to the Eta State Bylaws and/or the Eta State Standing Rules

2019

January 10	Deadline to submit to the Eta State News
February 1	Deadline for scholarship applications to Eta State NC; \$1,000 for master's, \$4,000 for doctor's
February 1	Deadline for Founders Award nomination
March 1	Deadline to submit Chapter Achievement form, Rising Star and Golden Key nominations and Communications Excellence form
March 22-23	Leadership Development Seminar, Asheboro, NC
April 10	Deadline to submit to the Eta State News
May 3-5	Eta State NC Convention, Crowne Plaza Hickory, NC (Region X)

2020

May 1-3	Eta State NC Convention, Embassy Suites Hotel, Greensboro, NC (Region VII)
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DATES TO REMEMBER - DKG INTERNATIONAL

October 1	Deadline to submit to the Bulletin: Journal
November 1	Deadline for Lucile Cornetet Seminar Professional Development Award application
December 15	Deadline to submit to the Bulletin: Collegial Exchange

2019

January 3	Deadline for applications for the DKG Educational Foundation Projects
February 1	Deadline for scholarship applications to DKG International; \$6,000 for master's, \$10,000 for doctor's
February 1	Deadline for applications for Lucile Cornetet Individual Professional Development Awards (other deadlines: May 1 and September 1)
February 5	Deadline for DKG Fine Arts Gallery submissions
March 1	Deadline to submit to the Bulletin: Journal
May 1	Deadline for applications for Lucile Cornetet Individual Professional Development Awards (other deadlines: February 1 and September 1)
May 11	DKG's Founders Day (DKG will be 90 years young!)
May 15	Deadline to submit to the Bulletin: Journal
June 21-24	Leading Effective Meetings Seminar, Crowne Plaza, Asheville, NC
June 27-29	Southeast Regional Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville, NC

Contribution to: Alpha Beta Chapter Endowment Fund
Established 5-11-2000

Date of Contribution: _____

Contribution in Memory/Honor of: _____

Person to be Notified of Contribution: _____

Address of Person to be Notified: _____

Contributor's Name: _____

Amount: _____ Check Number: _____ Cash: _____

Make Checks to Alpha Beta Chapter and mail to Becky Kuszmaul at: 2861 Yelverton Grove Road. Smithfield, NC 27577.

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2019 Eta State NC Convention Program Ad Order Form

It's never too early to start placing orders for ads in our 2019 Eta State NC Convention program! Prices are the same as last year. The ads can be placed for a variety of reasons. Think about someone you or your chapter would like to honor or something you would like to share with your Eta State NC Sisters – your projects, your members, even your businesses! Need a jump start? Here are some suggestions to get you motivated and thinking—take it from here!

- Honor/memorialize a chapter member or members (officers, beginning teachers, “veteran” members, anyone you’d like to publicly recognize)
- Celebrate chapter projects and/or causes
- Promote businesses owned by chapter members
- Recognize accomplishments/honors of members, teams, and committees such as years of professional service, National Board Certification, Teacher of the Year honors, Ph. D. recipients
- Welcome convention attendees

Complete the information below and save a copy for your records. Checks or money orders should be made out to “Eta State.” Please **send form and payment to:**

Nancy Tunstall
664 Cole Farm Road
Warrenton, NC 27589

Ads should be emailed to Nancy Tunstall at nancytunstall@gmail.com. If you have questions, please email her or call her at 252-456-2051.

Ad copy may be submitted in pdf format, Word format or jpeg. The higher the resolution of pictures, the clearer they will appear. Ads may be submitted exactly as they should appear in the booklet, or you may submit an approximation of how you want the ad to appear with assistance needed from Nancy in finalizing the design. After Nancy completes the ad, the ad will be returned to you for final approval.

Forms and ad copies should be submitted by **3/31/2019** (*sooner is better*).

	Sponsor Chapter
	Ad Sponsor (if different from chapter)
	Contact Name
	Contact email

Select ad size: (Note: numbers in parentheses gives the actual width and height of ad as it will appear)

<input type="checkbox"/> 1/8 page	(3.75" x 2.5")	\$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/4 page	(3.75" x 5")	\$45.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/2 page	(7.5" x 5")	\$80.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 page	(7.5" x 10")	\$150.00

2019 Eta State NC Convention Workshop Form

Eta State Convention in Hickory, NC May 3-5, 2019

Saturday, May 4, 2019 - One Hour Long Afternoon Sessions

Deadline for submission: February 1, 2019

*Date of Submission: _____

*Date Received (to be completed by Elizabeth Miars): _____

*Workshop Title _____

*Provide a brief synopsis of the session _____

*Name of Contact: _____

*Cell Number of Contact: _____

*Email of Contact: _____

*Chapter/Group/Committee: _____

*Required:

HANDOUTS, COMPUTERS AND/OR PROJECTORS are the responsibility of the presenters.

Check all Strands that apply: ☐ DKG Society Business ☐ Personal Growth ☐ Professional Growth

Check your preference:

☐ Theatre seating ☐ Tables/chairs ☐ Wi-Fi for Presenter ☐ Wi-Fi for Participants ☐ AV Screen ☐ Podium ☐ Presentation Table

Name Your Facilitator:

The **Facilitator** will introduce presenters and help with setup and pack up of materials. You may list a facilitator for your breakout session or a volunteer will be assigned to you.

Facilitator Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Email: _____

Presenter Bios: Bios (**names and chapters**) are required for the program inserts. If you are submitting a session for an Eta State Committee please include the names and chapters of **each** committee member even if they are not participating in the presentation. Submission of the biographical information can be done as an attachment, in a Word or as a Google document, to aid in transcription.

Provide a brief biographical profile for use in introducing the presenter/s.

Submit completed form by February 1, 2019 to Elizabeth Miars at etastatevp2018@gmail.com

A confirmation message will be generated when submission is received.



Chapter Member Application

Instructions:

Please complete and submit to the chapter membership chair. For information about qualifications for membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, refer to sections on membership in the *Constitution* and the *International Standing Rules*.

Type of membership: ☐ Chapter Active ☐ Chapter Honorary

Name of person recommended (prospect):

Name

Address

Phone Number

E-mail

Current position title:

Employer:

Total years as a professional educator:

Highest educational degree granted:

Year:

Field:

Professional accomplishments: Include items such as professional development presentations, campus or departmental leadership roles, published materials, offices in other organizations, honors, and/or awards.

Community activities:

Endorsed by one or more members:

Name	Chapter/State	Dates
Required Sponsor		
Interviewer	Chapter/State Org	Date of Prospect Meeting
Recommender	Chapter/State Org	Date of Prospect Letter
Signature of Initiate _____		Date of Initiation