



## Eta Data – Tips for Chapter Editors of North Carolina

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Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

**The Fall Executive Board Meeting at Elon University** for chapter presidents and state officers and committee chairmen will take place on September 17, 2011. Look for Ellen Gragg's email instructions.

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER: "My Thoughts"

During the times that I served as an officer for North Carolina Eta State and most assuredly, since I was installed as president, I've gone back through the two volumes of *Our Heritage*. If you've never taken the time to read (or even to scan) the material, it's full of fascinating information about our wonderful Society. I read about Dr. Annie Webb Blanton, her wisdom, her dreams, and her strength of creating a unique organization which intended "to unite, to honor and to advance women educators..."

A quote from Dr. Blanton that seems fitting to us today is, "Be progressive. Keep up with the moving world while not discarding what in the old has value. Don't cling to the old when its worth has passed. Don't be a person so set in your views that nothing can change you...."

You will be hearing about changes and changes sometime make us a bit uncomfortable. Your role as chapter president is critical as you continue the second year of your biennium. The Educational Excellence Committee and each of the other committees designed to carry out our vision, mission, and business are not asking you to "change horses in the middle of the stream." You have your committee structure in place and if it's working for you, we want you to continue using it. We want you to be aware that chapters will need to report on progress made toward the focus areas from International such as "Schools for Africa" and "Beginning Teacher Support." You might want to think of a designated committee(s) to be responsible for these activities and for the reports.

We also want you to "keep up with the moving world, but not discarding what in the old has value." As you approach your second year, I challenge you to "cherish the past; celebrate the present, and commit to the future." YOU are included in Dr. Blanton's dreams and you have the strength to be a leading player in moving our organization forward.

Linda S. Little, North Carolina Eta State President 2011-2013

Presidents, if you have been away because your email connections are school addresses, please read the June and July *Eta Data* issues, archived on the Eta State website.

International Website:

[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

Eta State Website:

[www.deltakappagamma.org/NC](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC)

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

## Eta State Committees Set Goals for Work of the New Biennium

The 2011- 2013 Eta State officers welcomed fourteen new chairmen and their members to the Asheboro Headquarters for training and planning. Having aligned the state committee structure with that of International, the officers explained the goals of the Educational Excellence Committee, a “steering committee” for other state committees. Committees were to create and adopt activities that met both the responsibilities of the state’s nine goals (reflected in the **Strategic Action Plan**) and the goals of the **Educational Excellence Committee**. By the afternoon, the Eta State leadership had made a great beginning: all committees were working together within the new organizational structure. Look for reports from the committees in the next *Eta State News*.

### CHECKLIST OF IMPORTANT DATES

**July, 2011 – chapter website renewal due to International** Check your records and send your check.

**August 20, 2011** – deadline for any news items to editor for next issue of *Eta State News*

**September 1, 2011** – deadline for Lucile Cornetet Award for Professional Development application

**September 15, 2011** - deadline for International Speaker’s Fund (ISF) application

**September 17, 2011** – Elon Executive Board Meeting, 10:00 – 3:00 A press release for this event will be included within the September 15 *Eta Data*.

## New Chapter for North Carolina Organization

You are invited to the Chartering Ceremony for

### Delta Tau Chapter

**August 21, 2011 – 3:00 P.M.**

Boyce Memorial ARP Church  
111 Edgemont Drive  
Kings Mountain, NC

RSVP Connie Savell  
(H) 704-739-9736  
(C) 704-477-0450

[jscps68@hotmail.com](mailto:jscps68@hotmail.com)

A call for help is being sent out from Delta Tau, who will be chartering next week, to all former chapters that have dissolved. We need any DKG items that you might possibly have from the dissolved chapters such as DKG candlesticks, banners, mini candlesticks, etc. Our treasury is being established and these items would help us tremendously. In the spirit of sisterhood please talk to your friends who were in the dissolved chapters and see if you can help us. Thank you!

**Look for the next *Eta Data* – September 15, 2011, just days before the board meeting at Elon University**

## Nominations Committee Deadline

Nominations for (1) International officers, (2) Southeast regional director, (3) Member at-Large, (4) Educational Foundation Board of Trustees, and (5) Finance and (6) Nominations Committees are now open. If any member is interested in serving at the International level, please contact Becky McRoy no later than September 1. Becky is Eta State Chairman of the Nominations Committee.

b\_mcroy@yahoo.com

## How can our committee help to

... get a newsletter for your chapter, if you do not have one?

... get your newsletter on line and electronically distributed?

... get a website for your chapter?

We have members of our committee who have expertise in all of these areas. Contact us. We can help you!

## World Fellowship Representative Needs Photos

Chapter Presidents, if any of your members have pictures of African schools from their personal travel pictures within any of the eleven countries of the "Schools for Africa" Project, please email them to World Fellowship Chairman Lica Marhao <[vmarhao@cvcc.edu](mailto:vmarhao@cvcc.edu)>. The countries are as follows: Ethiopia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, South Africa, and Zimbabwe.

To publicize Eta State's partnership with the United Nations through the "Schools for Africa" Project, Lica is planning to create a digitalized visit to Africa, using photographs taken by Eta State sisters during their travels.

### Alert!

By all means clear the date on your calendar, if you have not done so already:  
**Saturday, September 17: Eta State Executive Board Meeting at  
Elon University  
Chapter Presidents ARE the voting executive board members - be there!**

The meal price is \$15 and needs to be in my hands not later than September 6th. The checks should be made out to "Eta State Treasurer." Those with no meal reservation will have to make arrangements for lunch on their own. Ellen

### Members of the 2011 - 2013 Eta State Communications and Publicity Committee

Landra Cartwright (*Delta Zeta*)  
Sylvia Eaglin (*Chi*), Chairman  
Susan Kuenzel (*Beta Eta*)  
Amelia Mitchell (*Gamma Phi*)  
Sue Roberts (*Beta Tau*), Editor,  
*Eta State News*  
Beth Winstead (*Beta Alpha*),  
Eta State Webmaster

**Chapter Editors**, send your newsletter to the editors and presidents of your region, as well as to the following four (4) Eta State leaders:

1. President Linda Little, [clittle4@suddenlink.net](mailto:clittle4@suddenlink.net)
2. Editor Sue Roberts, [suebetatau@comporium.net](mailto:suebetatau@comporium.net)
3. Communications and Publicity Chair Sylvia Eaglin, [sylviaeaglin@gmail.com](mailto:sylviaeaglin@gmail.com),
4. your **regional director**.

Visit Eta State's newest website: **Gamma Chi Chapter (Webmaster Nancy Tunstall).**

## Tips for Submitting Photos to *Eta State News*

The Editor is always looking for great photos to include in *Eta State News*. Please follow these tips to ensure you send the best possible photo.

### Photo Rules:

- Turn off your camera's date stamp.
- Shoot small groups of people; groups of three to five make the best pictures.
- Include no cups or anything that looks like an alcoholic beverage.
- Avoid nametags and sunglasses.
- Do not edit your photos. This includes editing color and adding captions or graphics.
- Name the photo file with the event.
- Send the full name(s) of the people, chapter and the event name and date with the photo file.

### Photo Size:

- Photo files SHOULD be 500KB in size or larger. We can resize the file down but not up.
- Photos posted on social media sites are too small for use. Send the Original file.
- Photos taken with cell phones may be too small for use.

### Emailing Photos:

- Email your photo files as attachments. DO NOT paste them into an email or Word document.
- We cannot access photos from Snapfish or similar accounts.
- Send only two or three of your best photos.

Send to: [suebetatau@comporium.net](mailto:suebetatau@comporium.net).

Subject: Your name and chapter.

Message: Include the names of the people and the event with date in the picture with your email message.

Photo Tips adapted from *Themis*, a publication of Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity