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Upcoming Dates

- **12/10/16 at 10:00AM-** Gamma Tau Meeting at Louisburg College: The Blue Room
- **2/9/17 at 6:00PM-** Gamma Tau Meeting at Long Mill Elementary: Media Center
- **4/25/17 at 6:00PM-** Gamma Tau Meeting at Johnny Bull's Steakhouse
- **4/28/17-4/30/17** ETA State Convention
- **7/5/17-7/9/17** International Convention
- **7/19/17-7/22/17** SE Regional Conference

Message from the President

As I sit here typing this I can't believe how quickly 2016 is coming to an end. Just a few months ago we inducted some wonderful new members into our group, installed officers, gathered items for new teachers, and committed to providing skill-based resources for the residents living at the Masonic Home for Children. Although Thanksgiving has come and gone we have so much to be thankful for each and every day. I am thankful for you. You all are to be commended for your dedication, giving hearts, accomplishments and your wisdom. It is so great to be a part of sisterhood of such wonderful women.

December 10th will mark our second meeting of the year and a time to celebrate the wonderful holiday season and the many blessings of Christmas. I look forward to our fellowship together, welcoming our new members, uniting with dear friends, and remembering those who are no longer with us. I look forward to having everyone join committees that will shape the future of Gamma Tau. We are much stronger when each and every person shares ownership. Together we will make great things happen!

In sisterhood,

Linda P. Frederickson, President

Gamma Tau Officers

President- Linda Frederickson
1st Vice President- Trenace Gilmore
2nd Vice President- Monica Headen
Secretary- Kim Leonard
Treasurer- Crystal Williams
Parliamentarian- Fannie Perry

Welcome our new DKG Sisters!



New members left to right: Benita Arrington, Teri Aycock, Valerie Hawthorne, Claire Roehl, Julie Southerland, Dr. Stacy Stewart, Allison Toler, and Cindy Miller-Walker

Our new members were initiated on September 29, 2016. We are very excited about the wonderful women who are now our sisters in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Our DKG Sisters Being Leaders

By. Crystal Williams

Three of our Gamma Tau Sisters, Claire Roehl, Allison Toler, and Crystal Williams presented a workshop at the NCCTM Conference in Greensboro on October 28th. During the workshop participants rotated through stations that showcased the different components of the Math Workshop. All participants appreciated the group sharing strategies they could immediately utilize within their classrooms to increase student achievement and motivation in mathematics. This group of ten educators from Franklin County had participated in a year long PLC facilitated by Crystal Williams. A mini-grant from NCCTM allowed the group to purchase two focal texts: Math Workshop in Action and Guided Math in Action, both written by Dr. Nicki Newton. This PLC will continue during the 2016-2017 school year.



Preparing Our Beginning Teachers

During our September meeting, we created pouches for all the first year teachers in Franklin County. The pouches were filled with items that our sisters brought to the meeting. These items were materials, such as pencils, erasers, highlighters, and etc. These items that will help our beginning teachers be successful in their classrooms. Thank you sisters for your continued support of our beginning teachers in Franklin County.



Hilda A. Parlér, Gamma Tau Past President (2012-2014) Visits 4 Eta State Chapters

By.Hilda A. Parlér

As part of my duties as Eta State/NC Recording Secretary, 2015-2017, the other officers and I are encouraged to visit chapters across the state. Chapters officially invite us, and the visits are documented for reporting at the fall Executive Board meetings at Elon University and at Eta State/NC Conventions in the spring.

On September 17, 2016, I was guest speaker at the four chapters' Annual Joint Chapters Meeting (Durham/Person Counties) at Mt. Sylvan Methodist Church in Durham, NC.

I was very impressed with how the chapters meet in a general session to kick start their year. Genuine fellowship spiritually abound. Four Beginning Teacher Grant Awards of \$200 each were presented. The winners, one from each chapter, shared the objective of the projects and how they spent the grant. Only three were there to share. One teacher purchased baby chicks used in a science incubation project, another noted she bought more books for her kindergarten class, and the third purchased some laptops.

They presented me with a beautiful houseplant and a check for \$40 made payable to Eta State/NC Headquarters in Asheboro in my honor for its brick project to provide more funds for maintenance of the beautiful brick ranch house, which is mortgage-free. Eta State paid cash for the house.

The bricks, with your name or someone else, will align the walk leading to the front door of the house. It is a must see for all members of Eta State. Learn more about the fundraiser by visiting www.ncdkg.org.

Afterwards, the chapters held individual meetings, and I visited each meeting. It was an experience I will never forget. I reported my visitations at our first meeting on September 29, 2016.



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Iota - Durham



Beta Kappa - Durham

ETA State NC President's Message

A DKG International Convention is always rewarding; Nashville did not disappoint! NC members joined other outstanding women from 17 countries to gather information and discuss timely topics. More than 100 breakout sessions and 50 Hot Topic mini sessions highlighted leadership, educational excellence, technology training, legislative advocacy and more! Four featured speakers gave us much food for thought. One of those speakers was Chief Transformation Officer of Girl Scouts USA, Natalye Paquin. Eta State NC is proud to have two chapters, Alpha Psi in New Bern and Alpha Nu in Burke County, working with scout troops in their area. So, I was very interested in what Natalye Paquin had to say. She applauded the overwhelming number of DKG members in attendance who had been Girl Scouts. She pointed out the parallel between preparing girls to take the lead in their lives and the world with our DKG mission to promote professional and personal growth. Ms. Paquin cited statistics showing that 80% of girls involved in scouting take on leadership roles as adults. Ms. Paquin told an interesting story about an early-elementary grades soccer team, all girls, who had never won a game. At the beginning of a new season, their coach included a team motivator that always ended with the question "Are you ready?" to which the girls responded, in unison, "Born ready!" This pre-game activity demonstrated their shared determination to take on the task of winning - announcing they were ready for anything! That acclamation not only works to encourage a team of young soccer players, but can be used to inspire the women who have chosen to be a part of the DKG team. We are key women educators, leaders, and progressive thinkers. As we begin a new chapter biennium, let us work together as a team to realize the Purposes of our Society. Are we ready to take the lead in supporting women, children, and excellence in education? Born ready! Are we ready to reach out to the community to collaborate with others to improve educational programs? Born ready! Are we ready to ignite the power of our voices of influence for positive legislation that prepares all students for success in school and in life? Born ready! Are we ready to Create the Future? Born ready! By the way, those young soccer players, they won every game that season! The first year of my biennium has gone by so quickly! The best part has been meeting and celebrating with members across the state. Thank you for inviting me to join you. I look forward to visiting more chapters in the coming year.

Sheila



*This message is from the ETA State News Fall 2016.

DKG Member Portal

The DKG website now has a members-only section. In the "members only" section you are able to find information, applications and resources that are only available to DKG sisters. You can also find items, such as publications in the members only section. Everyone has an account already set up on the website. The international website is www.dkg.org. Your username is your member ID, which can be found on your ID card. If you haven't signed on yet, there is a default password for the first time users. Please email me (astover85@gmail.com) for that password. When you sign in, you will also be able to access personal information and create a profile under the MY DKG tab. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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