



Keynotes for Chi

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DEAR CHI SISTERS,

I have just returned from the Eta State Convention at the Embassy Suites in Cary. It was a most enlightening and rewarding experience. It makes a person aware of the enormous impact the organization has on education and of the vast opportunities the Society provides for educators to develop leadership skills and to pursue further degrees in their careers.

Others attending the convention were Martha Alley, Pat Davis, Sylvia Eaglin, Sarah Finch, Kay Tucker, and Tonya Welch. Each of us attended different workshops and we will share information at the board meeting in June and at our meetings next year.

Three of our members, Dorris Koontz, Geneva Craig, and Lena Hedrick, were included in the ad section of the program booklet with recognition for being DKG members for 50 or more years. Dot Kearns was also recognized in this section for four decades of public service. Sylvia Eaglin was included as an energetic, entertaining, and informative program resource for chapter meetings. We are proud of these ladies and copies of these ads have been sent to them.

We heard outstanding speakers during the convention, including Coach Sylvia Hatchell, UNC-CH Woman's Basketball Coach; Tyronna Hooker, NC Teacher of the Year, 2011; and Dr. Beverly Helms, International Second Vice-President and Nominee for 2012 International President. We received two recognitions: a *Newsletter Certificate of Excellence* and the *Eta State's Chapter Achievement Award- Excellent Level* which were accepted with pride and appreciation for everything our editor, Anne Sheffield, and the members have done to help Chi Chapter.

We are so pleased to welcome our two new members, Penny Penninger and Laura Summers, into Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. We look forward to them sharing new ideas, happenings in the classroom, and ways we can provide support for them and for other teachers.

Since the convention Tonya Welch has been working on our Chi Chapter Website. We thank Tonya so much for using her technological expertise to get this set up.

Congratulations to Chi Chapter's new officers for the 2012 - 2014 biennium. I personally want to thank those officers who have agreed to continue in their current office.

Sarah Finch – President
Tonya Welch – Vice-President
Nancy Tucker – Treasurer
Susan Martz – Secretary

The training session for new officers is being held in Asheboro on June 16 and the registration has been sent in for those who will be attending –Sarah Finch, Tonya Welch, Betty Mayer, and Betsy Hodge. Our leaders will need your support to carry out their jobs and I know they can count on each of you for support.

As I write this last letter, I can hardly believe two years have passed. When I began serving as your president, I wondered how I would accomplish this task. It has been through the continued support of each of you and the past leaders who have been my mentors throughout this term. It has been a rewarding experience for me to get to know each of you better and learn ways we can all work together to make learning more meaningful for our students. I thank you for all of your support, suggestions, ideas, and cooperation during these years. As we continue to uphold the seven purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma, I look forward to working with each of you in the years to come.

Have a wonderful summer!

Betsy Hodge, President 336-688-7680
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Treasurer's Report

Figures are as of 5/14/12:

Interest checking	\$ 1168.94
Money Market Shares	833.47
Shares	26.79
Share Term Certificate	1000.00

Nancy Tucker, Treasurer



Chi's newly installed officers- Sarah, Tonya, Nancy, and Susan

Member News

Happy Birthday to:

May:

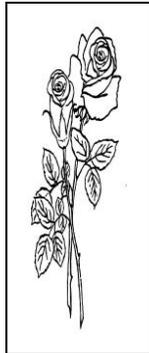
- 23 – Sylvia Eaglin
- 26 – Carmen Cotton

June:

- 24 – Virginia Cox
- 26 – Dot Kearns

July:

- 13 – Ann Morris Allred
- 14 – Geneva Craig
- 29 – Karen Hogan



Grant-In-Aid Recipient Carolyn Spaugh

Spring Banquet



**New Chi Members
Laura Summers & Penny Penninger**



Sylvia and Flat Annie

Program of Work

The Executive Board will meet on June 26 at the Golden B Restaurant in High Point. The dining area will be ready for our meeting at 10:30. When we finish our business, all of us will enjoy lunch and fellowship together. I look forward to seeing all of the committee chairs and officers on Tuesday, June 26! I will be e-mailing or calling you to give you a reminder.

Mark your calendars for the following tentative dates of our meetings
September 4-Global Awareness
October 2-Joint Meeting
December 4- Covered Dish and THAT Report
February 5-World Fellowship
March-TBA
April 2-Spring Banquet

Sarah Finch,



Chi Website Debuts

I have created our website and the address is www.dkgchi.weebly.com. Please send me any comments or suggestions on anything that you would like to add. I can also add a scrapbook tab for our event photos that we can password protect so that only members have access to that part of the page.

We also have a Facebook page now as well under Dkg Chi. If you have Facebook and can't find the page feel free to friend me at Tonya Parrish Welch and request friendship through my page.

Tonya Welch, VP



Eta State Convention Highlights

President **Linda Little** opened the FRIDAY afternoon annual Executive Board Meeting at the Embassy Suites in Cary, NC to conduct the business of the Society. Assembled were presidents representing 108 chapters from eleven regions, representing 4900 members. Our president **Betsy Hodge** and **Sylvia Eaglin** were present.

The Convention Registrar reported that over **315 delegates** were present during the weekend, fifty-nine for the first time. Sixteen delegates had been members forty plus years, eighty-six were chapter presidents, twenty TOY's, forty NBCT's, and all delegates were "one hundred per cent active in education." **Chi Chapter had seven delegates.**

Dr. Beverly Helms, International Second Vice-President and nominee for 2012 International President, was the International representative and gave her inspiring report. North Carolina had the smallest decline in membership and is the fourth largest organization in the Society and the largest in the Southeast Region

Communications Committee in an up-date regarding distribution of *Eta State News* expects to submit a proposal at next convention to amend the Bylaws to permit additional choices besides the US Postal Service.

Chi Chapter received a **newsletter certificate of excellence**. As for the Chapter Achievement Awards Chi Chapter made the **Excellent Level**.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON was filled with seventeen workshops divided into sixty minute sessions. Meanwhile, **Beth Winstead**, Eta State Webmaster, settled at a table at the bar near the elevators to establish her "The Doctor Is In" booth to give assistance to delegates interested in improving or establishing their chapter website. **Tanya Welch**, 2012 Chi Vice-President, was able, with Beth's help, to return home and set up a website for Chi Chapter: <http://dkgchi.weebly.com/> Check it out immediately, if you have not done so.

Tyronna Hooker, North Carolina Teacher of the Year, 2011 transfixed the delegates with words so sincere and profound that they communicated her obvious love of children and desire to help them. The living past presidents of Eta State who attended the convention were honored with a

certificate and a Stuart Nye sterling silver dogwood pin with Eta engraved on the back of one of the petals. This pin signifies membership in the **“Order of the Dogwood.”** Dr. Barbara Day presented Eta President Linda Little the **Order of the Long Leaf Pine** from Governor Perdue.

At the SUNDAY Brunch Dr. Helms, Keynote Speaker, encouraged the delegates to connect personally with every member of the chapter. She asked, “What are you doing now to make sure that no member resigns next year?” She summarized the impact of leadership development and financial commitment by both International and North Carolina and admonished her hearers to “tell people what you are doing – share the story.”

Dr. Angela Kern is the new 2012 Director for Region VII <akern@triad.rr.com> **Angela was 2010 president of Alpha Upsilon Chapter in Randolph County.**

The next convention will be held on April 27-29, 2013, at the Hilton University, Charlotte, NC (Region VIII).

The facilities were unparalleled, the excellent music included children’s groups and the convention chorus, and the convention schedule moved flawlessly. Delegates left for home with much to think about and re-enjoy.

By Sylvia Eaglin



Betsy carrying the Chi flag in the presidents' processional



Chi Chapter's seven convention delegates- Martha, Sarah, Pat, Sylvia, Tonya, Betsy, and Kay [Photograph taken by Dr. Beverly Helms, who will be installed in NYC in July as 2012-2014 International DKG President]



Martha, Kay, and Sarah at The Chapter Presidents' Banquet



Chi delegates with Tyronna Hooker, NC TOY 2011

DKG Survey

Have you completed the Arts and Humanities survey? Either go to the DKG.org home page, or click on the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DF6KG2S>

State Headquarters

Did you know Eta State Headquarters is located at 805 NC Highway 42 S, Asheboro, NC?



Eta State Upcoming Events

June 12, 2012 - New Officer Training
Christmount Christian Assembly
222 Fern Way, Black Mountain, NC

June 16, 2012 - New Officer Training
Bethel Friends Meeting House
NC Highway 42, Asheboro, NC

June 22, 2012 - New Officer Training
St. Luke United Methodist Church
1608 E. Pine Street, Goldsboro, NC

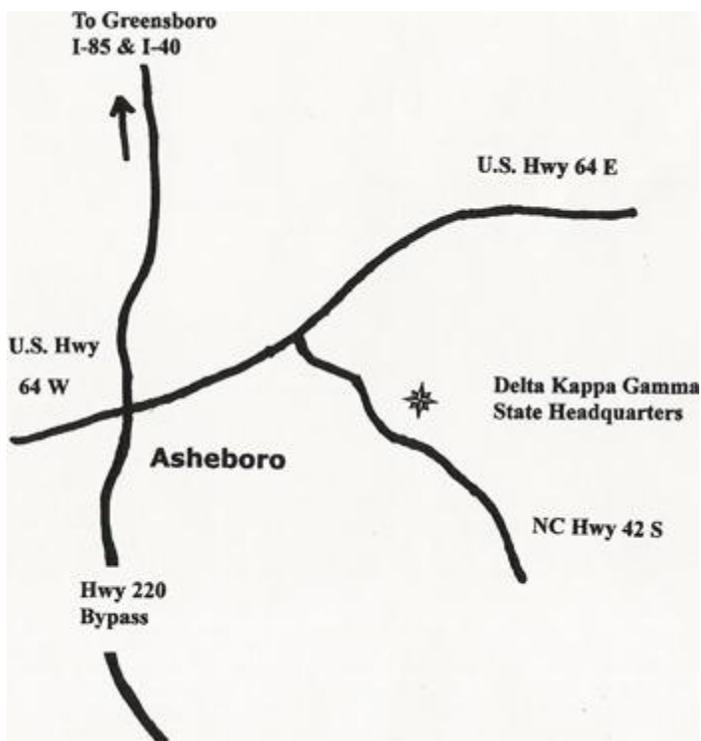
July 24 – 28, 2012 – International Convention - New York, NY

Eta State Website:

www.deltakappagamma.org/NC

DKG International Website:

www.dkg.org



Keynotes for Chi Submissions

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