

Keynotes for Chi

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DEAR CHI SISTERS,

The Eta State Convention was held at the Greenville Hilton. The members in attendance were **Martha Alley, Sylvia Eaglin, Betsy Hodge, Betty Mayer, Kay Tucker**, and **me**. Our meetings were interesting and informative. We attended the Ceremony of Remembrance on Sunday morning when **Virginia Cox's** tribute was placed in the Book of Remembrance. The President's Banquet and the Sunday Brunch were two special events we attended. At the First General Session, **Sylvia Eaglin** was recognized and received her Golden Key Award. Congratulations to Sylvia for being the Key Award winner for Region VII. Through your hard work and commitment, our Chapter again received the Excellent Award for Achievement. Chi was also recognized with the Newsletter Excellence Award and the Website Excellence Award by the Eta State Communication and Publicity Committee. Our special thanks go to **Anne Sheffield** and **Tonya Welch** for all of their hard work!

Our chapter is pleased to welcome two new members who were initiated at the Spring Banquet. **Karen Jobe** and **Jessica Miller** will be great additions to our chapter. I am sure we will see them as future leaders and Sisters. Welcome to Chi Chapter.

Congratulations to our officers for the 2014-2016 biennium: **Tonya Welch**, President; **Mary Gordon**, Vice-President; **Nancy Tucker**, Treasurer; **Erica Blakely**, Secretary. All of our members will

encourage and assist them along the way to a fantastic two years.

As my two years as President comes to an end, it is hard to believe how quickly this time has passed. Through your continued support and willingness to help, my term has been a rewarding experience. Our past leaders have been an inspiration and an example to follow. All of you have been mentors and Sisters in a special way. Without all of you, my tasks would have difficult to accomplish. Let's continue to encourage each other as Chi Sisters and look forward to supporting each other and our chapter.

Sarah Finch, President
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**See you on
September 2!**



Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of May 5, 2014:

Interest Checking	\$ 2,075.68
Money Market Shares	862.39
Shares	27.18
Share Term Certificate	1,000.00

Chi Chapter received \$520 from the sale of Badge Keepers at the Eta State Convention. Thanks to everyone who made and sold them!

Nancy Tucker, Treasurer



Member News

Happy Birthday to:

May:

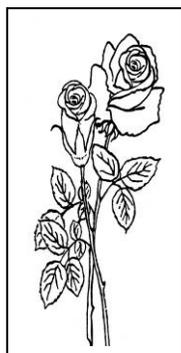
- 01 – Sarah Finch
- 04 – Mary Gordon
- 04 – Ginnie Sampson
- 05 – Karen Jobe
- 06 – Pat Davis
- 15 – Lena Hedrick
- 23 – Sylvia Eaglin
- 26 – Carmen Cotton-Suggs

June:

- 27 – Dot Kearns

July:

- 08 – Kayla Mabe
- 13 – Ann Morris Allred
- 14 – Geneva Craig
- 23 – Erica Blakely
- 29 – Karen Hogan



Sylvia Eaglin is recovering from an infection and complications after her second root canal. She is in a lot of pain and on and off ice packs. We hope she is up and about soon.

Karen Hogan is looking forward to reuniting with old friends and former colleagues at the annual High Point Central Retired Personnel Dinner on May 15th. We are eager to see her too.

Betty Mayer and her husband, Jim, traveled to Lexington, Kentucky over the Easter weekend.

They were visiting Jim's hospitalized brother who is now recovering.

Anne Sheffield and her husband, Don, spent the first May weekend in Asheville attending the NC Elk's State Convention.

Nancy Tucker's daughter, Leah, began her fourth year of veterinary school at NC State on May 5th. Her last year will consist of clinical rotations and she will graduate in May of 2015. Keep up the good work Leah.

Kitty Winklosky and her husband, Gary, are planning a road trip in May to Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts to visit children and grandchildren. We hope they have a safe trip.

Martha Wade's husband, Buddy, continues to struggle with complications from prostate surgery in January. Hopefully his recovery will be expedited soon. Please keep him in your prayers.

Tonya Welch's 10-year-old son, Hunter, just graduated from Webelos Scouts and moves up next year to Webelos 2, the last level before becoming a full-fledged Boy Scout. Congratulations!

Membership News

My first DKG Eta State Convention was inspiring and enlightening. I learned there are many awesome chapters in our state where membership is the heart of the chapter.

The primary goal for the Eta State Membership Committee is to strengthen/support membership with emphasis on genuine spiritual fellowship and diversity. This goal is supported by three objectives called "The Three Rs":

Objective #1 recruit – to encourage growth of chapter membership

Objective #2 retain - to increase the retention of members

Objective #3 reinstate – to seek members for reinstatement

These objectives were the topics of discussion at The Three Rs Membership Workshop at convention. Here, I was introduced to many new ideas for building, keeping, and mentoring a diverse membership. For this year the initiative of the Membership Committee is challenging our chapter to participate in a member reinstatement project

called “Annie Calling.” Watch for more information.

Membership focus for 2013 -2015: “Be the reason they’re in DKG – recruit, retain, reinstate, mentor member to member.”

Betty Mayer, Membership



The Spring Banquet

April 1, 2014
The Woman’s Club
Thomasville, NC



Our new Chi Sisters



**Sylvia Eaglin with Sheila Groves,
Eta State First VP**



**Chi’s new officers:
VP Mary Gordon, President Tonya Welch,
and Treasurer Nancy Tucker**



**Susan Bubel, Grant-In-Aid Recipient,
with Dr. Linville from High Point University**

Educational Law and Policy Committee

The Educational Law and Policy Committee presented their report at the Eta State Convention.

The following actions were taken;
Provided information on legislative action.
Visited local chapters to share information on legislative action.
Began development of an on-line database on key legislative votes.
Developed / analyzed a member’s priorities survey.
Encouraged members to speak with legislators in their districts.

Chapters are encouraged to submit “Letters to the Editor” of their local newspapers and contact their legislators, all in keeping with the committee protocol for political contacts..

Kay Tucker – Educational Law / Policy

Eta State Convention News

One of the workshops at the Convention was by the Beginning Teachers Support Committee. It was a "Make and Take Workshop." There were various stations set up with the materials to make and take ideas to bring back to our chapters. We plan to have a "Pizza Make and Take Party" later in the summer to create some of these unique ideas for our Beginning Teacher Bags.

Betsy Hodge



Convention Notes and Photos from Sylvia:

The theme of the Pre-convention Conference was "Using Courage to Advocate Professionally and Personally." **Dr. Elaine Jenkins** reviewed issues addressed in the 2013 legislative session and introduced a panel of educators who talked about communicating effectively with decision-makers. Participants received a copy of the book *Courage* by Sandra Ford Walston.



Sylvia and Eta State President Pat Taylor

President **Pat Taylor** opened the FRIDAY afternoon annual Executive Board Meeting at the Greenville Hilton to conduct the business of the Society. Assembled were presidents representing 106 chapters from eleven regions- 4,672 members.



Sarah represented Chi at the Executive Board meeting

* The theme of the convention was recognized: "*Dare to Be Courageous!*"

* The Board endorsed and moved to approve the establishment of an Eta State 501(C) (3) Educational Foundation. An initial Board of Directors was appointed by **President Pat Taylor**, to be convened after July 1.

* The Board approved that the Finance Committee have a zero-based budget at the beginning of the fiscal year (any money left over goes to - or deficit goes from - the reserve fund).

* **Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon** has been appointed Eta State Executive Secretary, beginning July 1, 2014.

* The 2015 convention will be at the Chapel Hill Sheraton on April 24-26, 2015 (Region V) and the 2016 convention will be at the Marriot, Winston-Salem, April 22-24, 2016 (Region IX).

* The Fall Executive Board meeting will be at Elon University, September 6, 2014.

* The Leadership Development Seminar will be at Peace University, June 15 – 18, 2015.

Beth Winstead, Convention Chairman, reported that over **342 delegates** were present during the weekend. **Chi** was represented by **six delegates**.



Sylvia Eaglin receiving the Golden Key Award

* On FRIDAY NIGHT **Sylvia Eaglin** (Chi Chapter) received Golden Key Award for Region VII; nine women were awarded the Gold Key pin. **Chi Chapter** received two **certificates of excellence for KEYNOTES FOR CHI and for the website**. Within the list of Chapter Achievement Awards Chi Chapter made the **Excellent Level** (one of only 22 chapters in the state to do so). Eight chapters received the Superior level.

* On SATURDAY MORNING the Headquarters Committee's annual tradition of "Passing the House" netted a total of \$2000.00 according to **Patsyanna Barker**, Chairman. Chi Chapter budgets two dollars per member every year to help with these expenses that are NOT part of the Eta State budget. Fifty per cent of the chapters in the state make this contribution.



Betsy with the Leadership Committee mascot, LEROY

* SATURDAY AFTERNOON was filled with twenty-two workshops divided into sixty minute sessions. Simultaneously, the Chi Chapter table was among eleven vendors and sold the red quilted fabric badge holders, earning \$520.00 for scholarships.

* On SATURDAY NIGHT **Sarah Finch** was introduced as our president at the Presidents Banquet. Six scholarship winners were announced, joining the group of 131 Eta State scholarships from 1955 that have so far totaled over **\$389,000.00**. Monica Ochoa, the International Representative to our convention, reported that \$1,817,135.68 has been given in scholarship and grant-in-aid monies from the 2,500 chapters (84,000 members) from 80 states and 18 countries.



Chi delegates relaxing before turning in late Saturday night



Betty Mayer at the conclusion of the Celebration of Remembrance with the white rose for the family of the late Virginia Cox.

* ON SUNDAY MORNING at the Ceremony of Remembrance service, white roses and tributes were placed in the honorary bouquet and the Book of Remembrance respectively for **Virginia Cox (Chi)**. The SUNDAY Brunch was a birthday party for Eta State's eightieth year. Fourteen past presidents planned the event with an official logo, a banner, a video of history and photography, a birthday song, and a birthday cake. When the delegates departed, their eyes were set upon Indianapolis, July 28 – August 1.



Betsy and Martha at the Eta State 80th birthday brunch Sunday morning

The facilities were unparalleled. The music of the convention chorus was excellent. The convention schedule moved flawlessly. Delegates left for home with much to think about and re-enjoy.

Fifty Years!



Congratulations to **Lulu Hoskins** for being a member of Chi for 50 years. She has served on various committees and as President. Her knowledge and experience have been an outstanding resource for Chi Chapter. She received her 50 Year Pin from the chapter and we are proud that she is a Chi Sister!

More from World Fellowship

By: Tomika Altman,
UN/World Fellowship Representative

What are other chapters in NC doing to raise money for the World Fellowship Fund? Based on the biennial chapter reports received, Eta State members mentioned the following tips:

- Penny donations (donate a penny or loose change during each chapter meeting)
- Annual bazaars or silent auctions
- Used books and DVD sales
- Pass the bucket or hat (members donate \$0.25 - \$1.00 each time the bucket is passed during the meeting)
- Benefit luncheon
- Increase chapter dues by one or two dollars and use that money to contribute to the World Fellowship Fund.
- Simply tell members about the fellowship and how it helps support women internationally and asking for donations.

Eta State Upcoming Events

June 20, 21, or 24 – New Officer Training

July 28 – Aug. 1, 2014 – International Convention - JW Marriott Hotel, Indianapolis, IND

April 24 - 26, 2015 — Eta State Convention, Chapel Hill Sheraton, Chapel Hill, NC (Region V)

July 15 - 18, 2015 — Southeast Regional Conference, Westin Harbor Resort, Savannah, GA

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2014-2015 Chi Meetings

Tuesday, September 2



Keynotes for Chi Submissions

Information

Anticipated

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