

Keynotes for Chi

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GREETINGS CHI SISTERS,

The end is almost here!!! The end of school that is. What a fast and fun filled year it has been for Chi Chapter.

Saturday, April 8, we met for our second “Chi Social” at the Piedmont Environmental Center to learn about the outdoor Mapscape of North Carolina and to take an energizing walk with Dick Thomas, Director of the Piedmont Environmental Center. Our numbers were few, but those present had a great time talking and laughing as we enjoyed time in nature. We even found the “beaver den”.

On April 13, we gathered for the Spring Banquet and Initiation when we officially met our new Chi Sisters Chaynel Blake- Nichols, Heidi Cadmus, Renee Faenza, Mary Ann Hart, Alicia Muller, Taylor Peele, and Kayla Ranew. Welcome Sisters! How wonderful to have you with us. We're looking forward to getting to know you better. Hopefully over lunch this summer.

April 28 and 29 we traveled to Wilmington to the Eta State Convention. I delivered three large boxes of supplies to be donated to Hope Harbor House, Wilmington's women's domestic violence shelter, which was the Convention's community project. I also delivered an equal amount of supplies to Carpenter House, High Point's women's domestic violence shelter before I left town. Thank you for your tremendous generosity. While at the convention, I was honored to receive on your behalf two outstanding awards. The first was the Chapter Achievement Award for Excellence for carrying out the goals of the society. We achieved 570 points out of a possible 600+ through activities completed from March 1, 2016 through March 1, 2017. We also achieved Eta State Communications Excellence Award in recognition of superior accomplishments in enhancing chapter communications. This was the

highest category given in communications. Thank you to Anne Sheffield and Tonya Welch for their contributions toward this recognition. Sunday began with the Ceremony of Remembrance when we were called to remember the life of our Chi sister Lena Sale Hedrick.

In May, the Beginning Teacher Support committee will be delivering “Thank You” bags to the eighteen first year teachers at Central High School. Thank you Chi members for your contributions to this.

Help us to continue to “Create the Future – as we Imagine, Inspire, Ignite”

Mary B. Gordon, President



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Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of May 7, 2017:

Community Checking	\$336.47
Business Money Rate Savings	921.11
11-mo. certificate	1000.00

Nancy Tucker, Treasurer



Member News

Happy Birthday to:

(Dates remaining) May:

- 14 – Chaynel Blake-Nichols
- 23 – Sylvia Eaglin
- 30 – Heidi Cadmus

June:

- 02 – Kayla Renew
- 03 – Ann Wyche
- 19 – Alicia Muller
- 26 – Caryol Forsyth
- 27 – Dot Kearns

July:

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



[Susan Sumpter](#) was honored during each of the morning worship services at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 7th. She is retiring after forty years of service at Wesley Memorial School. Her exceptional career began as the kindergarten teacher and culminated as the school director. Families and friends had an opportunity to express their appreciation to Susan during Wesley's Springfest celebration held on campus in the afternoon after the services.

At the end of April High Point Central Quiz Bowl Team members and their sponsor, [Amy Steinbruegge](#), baked and sold 2,400 delicious cupcakes. The profits from their sale will be used to cover travel expenses to the National Quiz Bowl competition in Atlanta, GA over Memorial Day weekend. Assisting in this massive project were other Chi sisters: [Kayla Ranew](#), [Taylor Peele](#), and [Betty Mayer](#).

Membership News

Thanks to everyone who supported membership expansion efforts this year. I could not have done it without you.

We are very proud of our seven new members: Chaynel Blake-Nichols, Heidi Cadmus, Alicia Muller, Taylor Peele, and Kayla Ranew from High Point Central High School, Renee Faenza, Principal of the North Carolina Leadership Academy, and Mary Ann Hart retired teacher and author. Hopefully you had an opportunity to meet these special ladies at our Spring Banquet in April.

While we take a break for summer and meet new people, please keep recruiting on your mind. Potential new members can represent **all** areas of education. I challenge each of you to submit the name of one new prospect at our first meeting next fall. It is our collective effort that truly makes a difference. We only grow with your help.

Betty Mayer, Membership



Fundraiser Results

The DKG Eta State Convention in Wilmington was a wonderful event! We sold enough jewelry to make \$388.36 for our chapter mini grants. We are considering having a table at the Southeast Regional Convention in Myrtle Beach July 19-22. We are now able to use a square credit card reader to accept credit card payments. The prices on the jewelry were adjusted to cover the fees to use the device. I will be adding photos of the jewelry and an order form for anyone outside of our chapter. If you wanted a necklace, earrings, pendant or keychain and did not yet get one please let me know. Thank you to everyone who was involved in putting the jewelry together for our chapter.

Tonya Welch



Leadership Conference

The Leadership Seminar will be held June 23-25 at Caraway Convention Center in Asheboro. This will be a truly exceptional experience this year. There are still a few spots available, so do not hesitate to register. The registration forms are on the Eta State website under the forms tab. Please email Linda Little at llittle4143@gmail.com to confirm there is still space. The cost is only \$60 for the 3 day, 2 night seminar and \$15 for the Strength Finders assessment that will be taken online prior to the event. The price includes your lodging, meals and snacks.

Eta State President Sheila Groves



Something to think about...

Eta State members gathered in Wilmington at the 2017 convention to Ignite the Pride, Ignite the Purpose, Ignite the Power of women educators across the state.

Region IV welcomed us with open arms, creating an inviting atmosphere for fellowship, enlightenment, inspiration, and fun! Many thanks to chapter presidents and chapter volunteers who worked throughout the year to make convention an event to remember! Special thanks to Chairmen Thommi Stammer and Judy Busick, Treasurer Connie Marks, Registrar Elizabeth Miars, and Regional Director Mary Ann Styons for their leadership, patience and attention to every detail. Energized by fresh ideas, innovative resources, and genuine fellowship, we leave convention with a new attitude. We dedicate new energy to completing chapter projects and sharing the mission of DKG in our schools and communities. We look to new state officers and personnel for motivation and guidance. Will we also challenge ourselves to accept new roles and seek new opportunities in our Society?

Sheila

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Convention News

Connie P. Savell will lead Eta State NC for the 2017-2019 biennium. Elected to serve with Connie were Dr. Teresa Cowan, First VicePresident; Elizabeth Miars, Second Vice-President; and Nancy Teague, Secretary. In addition to the installation of officers, other highlights of the convention included the presentation of the Founders Award to Dr. Janis P. Meek, Gamma Chi Chapter; Rising Star Awards to ten ladies; and five Presidential Awards for the top Chapter Achievement honors. This year, the Communications Committee presented 11 Communications of Excellence Awards, the first time this award has been given, recognizing both website and newsletter excellence plus other areas of communications. The Awards Committee presented 62 Chapter Achievement Awards: 16 Honorable Mentions, 23 Distinctive Certificates, 15 Excellent Certificates, and 8 Superior Certificates. All the proposed changes to the Standing Rules and Bylaws as presented by the Rules Committee passed.

Statement of Neutrality

In response to recent events in politics, DKG International wants to share the Statement of Neutrality. Key points in the statement relate to the difference between speaking as an individual and “speaking” on behalf of our international, nonprofit organization. Our DKG Constitution outlines in more detail the need for a thorough understanding of issues involved and use of those issues instead of candidates or political parties. Read the entire [Statement of Neutrality](#) on our Eta State website.



Participants enjoyed walking across NC at the Chi Social at the Piedmont Environmental Center.

Chi Chapter Minutes

Saturday, March 4, 2017
Sunrise Diner, Thomasville, NC
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

- Vice President Karen Jobe welcomed the group, called the meeting to order, and read The Chapter Collect.
- The following 16 members were present: Karen Jobe, Kayla Mabe, Tonya Welch, Betty Mayer, Kitty Winklosky, Phyllis McCoy, Martha Alley, Betsy Hodge, Kathy Smith, Mary Ann Hart, Kay Tucker, Sarah Finch, Crystal White, Debbie Rosenquist, Ann Harris, Susan Martz
- The minutes from the last meeting were approved.
- Vice President Karen Jobe reminded everyone to send their money for the banquet to Nancy Tucker.
- Phyllis McCoy presented information about Schools for Africa. Water bottles were passed out to members who did not attend the last meeting and to members who wanted a second bottle. Bottles can be returned filled with change at our social walk on April 8th. Then she shared information about bragging buck to raise money for our mini grants. If a member would like to brag about something they can pay a \$1.00 for applause or \$5.00 for a standing ovation. \$45.00 was collected. The group decided they would like to do this every month like the member news.
- Sarah Finch showed a newspaper in which Thomasville Primary School was recognized in for their 100th day celebration. Betsy Hodge was pictured showing students how people ironed 100 years ago.
- Lunch was served.
- Vice President Karen Jobe introduced Dick Thomas, Director of the Piedmont Environmental Center. He presented an informative program "Discover Your Natural Side". He shared their spring calendar and curriculum for the public and school programs.
- Debbie Rosenquist announced that 19 teachers from High Point Central will be receiving packets at the end of March.
- Tonya Welch spoke about the Eta State NC Leadership Development Seminar. It will be held at Caraway Conference Center in Asheboro, for 3 days and 2 nights. It costs \$65 and allows up to 30 participants. The seminar consists of small group breakout sessions.
- Membership Expansion Chairman Betty Mayer shared that she sent out 19 letters of invitation to potential members inviting them to a reception. 9 people responded, 2 will join later, and 7 came Wednesday, February 22 to the reception. All 7 joined our organization.
- Kathy Smith and Betsy Hodge were the winners of the pin drawings.
- Mini grant recipients presented how they used their mini grants. Karen Jobe bought a CD player and headphones. Kayla Mabe bought 2 hot dot pens and hot dot reading and math books. Deborah Rosenquist bought binders. Tonya Welch bought Technician Virtual Externship CDs.
- Tonya Welch proposed selling jewelry as a chapter money making project. The work day to assemble the jewelry was set for Saturday March 18th at President Mary Gordon's house. She suggested setting up a table at the convention to sell the jewelry.
- Project Coordinator Susan Martz said the wreath project did not go well.
- Tonya Welch discussed ways to promote the chapter including using a label with a QR code that links to the website.
- Vice President Karen Jobe reminded everyone about the upcoming events - March 27 is the reservation deadline for the Eta State NC Convention to be held April 28-30, 2017.
- Susan Martz collected banquet checks to take to Nancy Tucker and donations for Schools for Africa, Hope Harbor Home and the Carpenter House to take to Mary Gordon. She announced the Salvation Army Fundraiser at High Point Country Club on May 16.
- The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Karen Jobe.

Spring Banquet Memories



Congratulations to our new DKG sisters!



Eta State NC President Shelia Groves

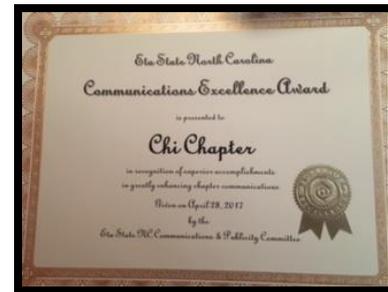


Enjoying fellowship



A beautiful gathering

Congratulations, Chi!



Eta State Upcoming Events

Jun. 23-25 - Eta State NC Leadership Development Seminar, Caraway Conference Center, Asheboro

July 19-22, 2017 - Southeast Regional Conference, Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel, Myrtle Beach, SC

April 29-29, 2018 – Eta State NC Convention, Charlotte University Hilton, Charlotte, NC

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Keynotes for Chi Submissions

Information

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