

Keynotes for Chi

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GREETINGS CHI SISTERS,

What a grand gathering we had at our September meeting. Of our 39 active members we had 27 present to enjoy exhilarating conversation, delicious food, a wide - ranging collection of chapter news and a most enjoyable, enlightening program on autism and TEACCH presented by Claudia Marini, Exceptional Children Compliance Specialist with Thomasville City Schools. Please encourage your Chi sisters who were not present to join us at our October meeting. Don't miss out on what's happening with Chi.

On September 10, I attended the Eta State NC Organization Executive Board Meeting on the beautiful campus of Elon University, Elon, NC. The sounds of renewed friendships and new friendships about to begin filled the air throughout the day. Information shared ranged from membership data received from 103 of the 104 chapters identifying Active members to total 4,018 and Reserve 332. There was encouragement from the Educational Law Committee to be aware of the Voter Registration deadline of October 14, to know the court ruled in August that the NC's Voter ID Bill is unconstitutional and to recognize the main implications for this year's presidential election. **Reminder: Register, VOTE, Vote Pro-Education Candidates in November.** The Headquarters Committee shared "Pave the Way for DKG Memories". For \$125 you may purchase an engraved paving brick in honor of a "sister" or yourself to line the front walk at Eta State Headquarters. Let's all be a part of the walk of fame.

Upcoming events include a Leadership Conference open to all chapter members June 23-25, 2017, Caraway Conference Center, in Asheboro, NC. There are limited openings. March 27, 2017 is the reservation deadline for the Eta State NC Convention which will be held April 28-30 at the Hilton Riverside, Wilmington, NC.

We completed our time together in Regional meetings. Mary Beth Daily, our new Region VII Director, began by complimenting us for having a representative from every chapter. Region VII is comprised of 11 chapters from 5 counties: Caswell, Davidson, Guilford, Randolph, and Rockingham. She shared guidelines for cleaning-out

files to establish permanent files for chapters in Eta State NC. Other forms distributed were a list of items to clarify Chapter Rules and the Regional Directors checklist for chapter presidents. Mary Beth hopes to visit each chapter during the two years of her term. We can look forward to meeting Mary Beth at our joint meeting in October.

Of the 27 members present at our September meeting we collected dues from 20. Let's strive to have a 100% collection by our October 6 meeting. Our dues remain the same this year: \$85.00--Active and \$35.00--Reserve. You may bring your dues to the October 6, meeting or mail them to: Nancy Tucker. All dues must be in by October 25 for you to remain active and on the role.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the joint meeting of Chi, Beta Xi, and Beta Omicron Chapters on Thursday, October 6, as we continue our journey together.

Mary B. Gordon, President



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October Meeting

**Thursday, October 6
5:30 – 7:45 pm**

**High Point Public Library
Joint Meeting**

"Public Schools First"

Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of September 16, 2016:

Community Checking	\$2704.49
Business Money Rate Savings	917.85
11-mo. CD @ 0.35%	1,000.00

Please mail chapter dues (Active: \$85, Reserve: \$35) to:

Nancy Tucker
4139 Waterview Road
High Point, NC 27265

(Checks to Chi Chapter Delta Kappa Gamma.)

Nancy Tucker, Treasurer

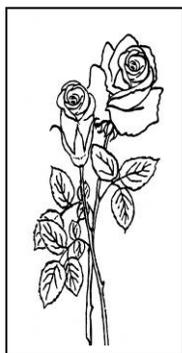


Member News

Happy Birthday to:

October:

- 01 – Anne Sheffield
- 02 – Kathy Smith
- 08 – Susan Sumpter
- 16 – Betsy Hodge
- 19 – Nancy Tucker
- 19 – Kitty Winklosky
- 25 – Judy Gecinger
- 29 – Phyllis McCoy



November:

- 01 – Vicki Hayes
- 02 – Martha Hayes
- 18 – Stephanie Shore

Congratulations! On July 30th **Kay Tucker** celebrated the marriage of her daughter, Kelly, to David Entsminger. She gained a son-in-law and a grandson, Griffin. Everyone in the wedding wore yellow shoes.

Dot Kearns is very grateful and humbled that the GCS Board of Education has unanimously recommended that Triangle Lake Elementary Montessori School bear her name. Their recommendation will be on the Board's website for community input for 30 days. If the response is positive the Board will then rename the school. There is nothing in Dot's life she would consider a higher accolade than having a public school bear her name.

Julia Ebel journeyed to Zurich, Switzerland, to spend time with her son Joel and his family while he worked there for the summer, but she also ventured out on her own to explore the rich history and natural beauty of the region.

Julia said, "Every aspect of the experience was new, offering opportunities to learn!"

Membership News

Building membership efforts are more important than ever. We can only grow with everyone's help. This year the Society recommends the use of a new recruitment plan that is now available for examination on the DKG web site Membership Committee page.

As part of this plan, at the next meeting you are asked to submit a prospect card. Prospect cards will report the name of an educator that you would like to nominate for membership. Potential new members can represent **all** areas of education. So put on your thinking caps.

See you at our next meeting. Don't forget to bring your prospect card and wear your pin.

Betty Mayer, Membership



Mini-Grants

Mini-Grant applications will be handed out on Thursday, October 6th at the Delta Kappa Gamma meeting. The due date for Mini-Grants is Friday, October 28th.

Linda Millen, Scholarship



Beginning of the Year Gift Bags for Chi Teachers in the Classroom



Eta State President Sheila Groves



Something to think about...

Everything I never knew about Eta State, I found in *Delta Kappa Gamma in North Carolina* – the book! It all began when my husband suggested I start cleaning off the dining room table (aka papers, boxes, books and miscellaneous items) so it might be clear in time for our family to eat Thanksgiving dinner. Some red things in the bottom of a box caught my eye. Each about the size of an iPad, there they were – three editions of *DKG in NC*. I started leafing through the first one, and I was hooked.

Now you are probably thinking, “how boring” or “bless her heart, she must not have a life,” but I found these books fascinating! For all of you social media lovers, they were like *flashback* Facebook. Fun & Frolic at the 1949 convention – LOL! Further investigation revealed how traditions began, the women for whom our scholarships are named, when Eta State Chorus made its debut, convention highlights, and NC participation in national and international affairs.

Written in short interesting articles, the history of our NC organization can be read even when you have only a few minutes. Use your new Educational Foundation book-mark to save your page. Take time to investigate the past. You will be inspired by the dedication of our early members, enlightened by the decisions made at executive board and convention meetings, charmed by the voices of the past. One of my book club picks for this year is *Delta Kappa Gamma in North Carolina*. If you need a copy, LMK.

Sheila

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DKG Trip

Join the DKG trip to Lisbon, Seville, Madrid & Basque Country June 2-14, 2017. Check out the Society website for itinerary.



Speaker Claudia Marini



Chi Sister Dot Kearns

Chi Minutes

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Loflin’s Restaurant, Thomasville, NC

- President Mary Gordon welcomed the group and called the meeting to order. She read aloud an inspirational passage.
- Members read the chapter collect.
- Vice President Chris Loflin introduced the guest speaker Claudia Marini-Exceptional Children’s Compliance Specialist/Instructional Coach at Thomasville City School.
- Claudia Marini spoke about autism and TEACCH (Treatment and Education of Autistic and Communication related handicapped Children) and handed out informational resources.
- The minutes from the last meeting were approved.
- The treasurer report was presented and accepted.
- The Finance Committee Chairman, Kathy Smith, explained an error with the proposed budget and proposed a change to correct it. The change and the budget were approved.
- Communications Chairman, Anne Sheffield, shared that the Evites worked well. There were 29 responses. Postcards will continue to be sent out for members without email.
- Handbook Editor, Sylvia Eaglin, handed out directory inserts, brochures, and meeting magnets.
- Sarah Finch shared a picture from the Thomasville Times of members at Space Camp. Crystal White shared her experiences.
- Mary Gordon handed out membership awards.

- Project Coordinator, Susan Martz said Autumn Acoustic Jam is cancelled because of building damage from storms.
- President Mary Gordon introduced 2 new members, recognized ladies on the committee for assembling and delivering beginning of year bags, and read notes from members who were not present expressing how much they enjoy their goodie bags.
- Membership Expansion Chairman Betty Mayer explained the prospect card. She also spoke about what a quality educator is and gave suggestions for future nominations.
- The winners of the pin drawing were Sylvia Eaglin and Carol Blackwelder.
- Project Coordinator Susan Martz presented examples of wreaths that could be made to sell to help raise money. Some examples of the wreaths are book pages, pictures, crayons, and pencils.
- Order forms will be placed in school work rooms.
- Sylvia suggested workdays to create the wreaths. The dates are September 17 and October 1.
- Dot Kearns encouraged members to register to vote and spoke about the importance of the effect of politics on the classroom.
- President Mary Gordon reminded everyone about the upcoming joint meeting. (October 6 5:30 at the High Point Public Library)
- Gifts were given out to members with a flower on their agenda.
- Members sang the Delta Kappa Gamma song.
- The meeting was adjourned by President Mary Gordon.



August Pin Winners Sylvia and Carol

Eta State Upcoming Events

Apr. 28-30, 2017 - Eta State NC Convention,
The Hilton Wilmington Riverside, Wilmington, NC

**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

Contacts

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2016-2017 Chi Meetings

November 12 Chi Social – The Mad Platter
“Paint Your Own Pottery”

December 1 String & Splinter Club
Holiday Social

February 4 The Claddagh Restaurant
“Good, Better, & Best of Nutrition”

March 4 Sunrise Grill
“Discover Your Natural Side”

April 8 Chi Social – Piedmont
Environmental Center

April 13 High Point Elks Lodge
Spring Banquet

Keynotes for Chi Submissions

Information

Anticipated

Deadline:

Publication dates:

November 15

November 24

January 24

January 31

February 21

February 28

March 21

March 28

May 9

May 16

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