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2015-2017 Eta State President Shelia Groves

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## Something to think about...

It's hard to believe another State Convention is finished! Kudos to Region IX!

Registrar Carolyn Coram and Treasurer Chris Waters got us off to a grand start! The planning and efforts of Region IX chapter members, along with the support and encouragement of co-chairmen Tina Higgins, Dr. Susan Blackburn and Regional Director Janice Linker, ensured the smooth implementation of convention events.

We enjoyed outstanding musical entertainment, were inspired by dynamic speakers, were enlightened by enthusiastic workshop presenters, and celebrated member and chapter achievements. For those who attended convention weekend in Winston-Salem, the return on investment was positive: knowledge, fellowship, innovation, motivation and energy. The take away was fresh ideas and resources, and a renewed spirit! Now, what are the lasting effects? How will we use those positives for personal growth? Will we use our renewed enthusiasm to move our chapters forward?

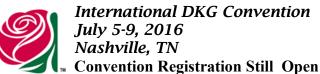
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The Foundation announcement of the raffle winners was muchanticipated at the Sunday Birthday Brunch. The raffle raised over \$2,600 for the Foundation! The Board thanks everyone who participated in the raffle.

# Eta State Members in Collegial Exchange

Have you read your Bulletin: Collegial Exchange that came in the mail this month? Our Eta State News Editor Sue Roberts has a twopage spread on our convention projects and how Eta State NC keeps DKG Purposes alive through our work. Pictures of sculptures by Amy Win-ston, Gamma Upsilon, from the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts are on page 19. This publication is by our members for our members. Take time to enjoy it!



It is not too late to register for International! The registration form is now online both Word and PDF formats. Also Executive Secretary Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon asks any member planning to attend the International Convention in Nashville this summer to kindly send her name, email address and cell phone number to Barbara if you did not do so at the convention.



Eta State 1st VP Connie Savell was our distinguished guest at our May meeting at WCU. She shared the importance of using our voices of influence in her address our members. Connie also participated in the induction ceremony of new members Dr. Tracie Metz of Jackson county and Terry Stamey of Macon County. Thanks to Mary Ellen Montague for being a gracious hostess for Connie's overnight stay! We hope you can visit Alpha Iota again!



#### Officers for New Biennium

President-Dedra Davis

1st VP- Jane Greaves

2nd VP -Jodi Alverson

Corresponding Secretary-Terry Gribble

Recording Secretary–Rebecca Ensley ((Not pictured)

Also not pictured are appointed officers;

Treasurer—Suzi Cabe and Parliamentarian-Dr.

Jeanette F. Hedrick.



We are extremely proud of Bryson Cheek and her heartfelt commitment to helping others! Bryson is the daughter of Alpha Iota member Alissa Cheek. As part of her Senior project she donated seven bins of school supplies and a check for \$1,528 to Our Schools for Africa project. We are blessed by her actions, as will be those who receive the materials and donations she collected! Bryson who just graduated from award winning TCEC, was inspired to action after hearing her mother share about our September program on Schools for Africa.

L-R Barbara El-Khouri, Bryson Cheek and Amy Hobbs

## **Member Recognition**

Twenty year and over members were recognized at May's Founder's Day program. Seventeen members were recognized for their years of service to Delta Kappa Gamma. They were presented with a rose and certificate of achievement. We are so honored to serve with these ladies.

20 yrs. Nancy Norcross

21 yrs. Gail Debnam & Dr. Beth Lofquist 24 yrs. Susann West & Suzi Cabe

25 yrs. Joyce Turk

26 yrs. Dr. Jeanette F. Hedrick

29 yrs. Joyce Jenkins

31 yrs. Dr. Sarah Madison

32 yrs. Janice Henson

40 yrs . Dr. Barbara Capps

42 vrs. Eva Wood

43 yrs. Sue Ann Reisdorph

45 yrs. Evelyn Pangle

47 yrs. Bobbie Carpenter, Lowaine Wilson

& Mary Ellen Montague (pictured right)



## **Note of Condolences**

Mary Brogan, a faithful member of Alpha Iota, lost her husband Chuck, who passed away a few days after our May meeting. Please continue to keep Mary and her family in your prayers. Terry will be sending a card and we will be making a donation in Chuck's name to grant-in-aid. If you would like to send a note or call Mary, here is her contact info: 70 Inspiration Drive Whittier, NC 28789 ph. 828-497-9452 marybrog@hotmail.com



#### 2016 Convention News

The 2016 Eta State NC Convention was a huge success. Registrar Carolyn Coram shared these numbers from the registrations. Registered - 317 First timers - 65 40+ years - 19 Past Presidents - 13 NBCTs - 54! **Regions with the most members attending:** Region IX - 90 members. Region VII -36. Region X - 32.

L-R Julie Norcross, Dr. Barbara Capps, Amy Hobbs, Terry Gribble, Suzi Cabe and Dedra Davis

The Opening General Meeting's emphasis was on members and chapters. The Winston-Salem State University Choir mesmerized attendees. The Golden Key recipients were announced with our very own Dr. Barbara Capps accepting the Golden Key Award for Region XI. Communications awards included 60 chapters for Newspaper Excellence and 44 chapters for Website Excellence. Alpha Iota received the Excellence award in both categories again this year. Also, chapter achievement awards were announced: 25 distinctive chapters, 12 excellence chapters, 3 Presidential Chapter Achievement Awards. We were one of the 12 chapters who received the Chapter of Excellence Award!

# Member Achievements: Dr. Barbara Capps awarded Golden Key Award



Dr Barbara Capps was recognized as the recipient of the Golden Key Award for Region XI of Eta State at the annual Eta State convention of the Delta Kappa Gamma International Honor Society, held April 23-25 in Winston Salem. Criteria for the prestigious award include activity in the member's chapter of DKG and involvement, involvement in education, other organizations, and one's community at large. Professor Emeritus Dr. Barbara H. Capps earned her M.A. degree from WCU in 1961, Ph.D. from Indiana University in 1973 and became a faculty member in the WCU Department of Early Childhood and Middle Grades Education, retiring from the university in 1994. She is a 40 year member of Alpha Iota and has served twice as president. Dr. Capps has chaired and served on many committees during this time and currently chairs the nominations committee. She chartered the Delta Alpha chapter in Haywood County and served as regional director from 1986-88; she has also served on four state committees. Some of the community activities in which she is involved include Friends of the Library, Relay for Life, Jackson County Humane Society, United Christian Ministries, and Nature Conser-

vancy. She sponsors children in Honduras and Ecuador and endowed a scholarship at WCU honoring her parents memory in 2003. Amy Hobbs, Past President of Alpha Iota chapter says, "Dr. Barbara Capps is truly the heart of Alpha Iota Chapter. Not only is she an effective and proven leader, but Dr. Capps is also a nurturer and supporter of her sisters and those around her. She is loyal and committed to our chapter and the Society, truly embodying the principles of DKG".



#### New DKG Website Launched

Our <a href="www.dkg.org">www.dkg.org</a> has a new look! A small DKG logo and menu bar across the top give way to a large, scrolling swipe of pictures with links to items of interest, such as the 2016 Convention in Nashville, pictured above. More graphics on the next row are quick links to the DKG store, Educational Foundation, Fine Arts Gallery, Communities, and more. This website features password protected areas so that members can securely be a part of the DKG social network and have more control of their Society information. Members can update their own password after initially signing in, can update their profile information to keep their records current with International (on the MyDKG tab), and can join "communities" to connect with other members and enjoy online discussions on topics of interest with others. Registration for Society events will now be done through the Member Profile. For example, registration for the International Convention in Nashville this summer is now available when a member is signed in. Check out the new site. There is much to see and do!

## **Signing in to Password Protected Areas**

One of the biggest changes the new DKG website brings is that certain areas are password protected. These areas include Forms and Resources, where the Presidents Report and Necrology Report forms that are due February 1 are found. Website certification information, possibly needed by some for a communications award, is found on the Resources tab.

To sign in, each member needs her membership number, found on her membership card or readily available from the chapter treasurer. The membership number is the user name. The default password is not published for security reasons, but chapter presidents received it in their most recent Presidents' Page newsletter and state officers have it to share. Members may also contact Society Headquarters at 512-478-5748 for help. Once signed in with a password, members will have full access to the website. Enjoy! How to video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nn7-26BpWB8

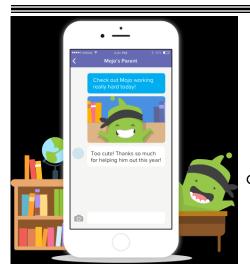


Good Evening all,

As the last week of school is upon us and I wrap up my 26th year in education, I am making an effort to take on fewer responsibilities at work. So you are probably wondering then, why in the world I agreed to serve as your newly elected president amongst all the other roles I am currently juggling with our chapter. The answer is simple and selfish in a way! I really enjoy all these things and I am not ready to give up these tasks just yet. I dearly love this chapter and thoroughly enjoy publicizing and promoting the great things you are all accomplishing in the educational realm! However, if any of you feel you

have the time, skills and desire to give any of these a try, I am very willing to mentor a new editor or webmaster in the making. These tasks truly are a labor of love for me. The goal is to feature as much great news as possible about all of our members accomplishments and projects. Representing Alpha Iota as president in the upcoming biennium promises to be an exciting adventure and an amazing opportunity for growth in our society! Thank you so much for your support and your faith in me to lead you through what I am sure will be another amazing two years! Our previous past presidents have laid a great foundation for growth. Our recent growth spurt is not over yet. I believe we can accomplish some amazing things and I am looking forward to our journey of growth together as your guide. Communication is crucial for growth in a fast—paced society. I will do my best to be accessible to all. However, I typically do not read, write, text, take phone calls or email until the evening hours. The best way to contact me is via email. If you have not yet guessed this about me, I am a night owl by nature! Everything you receive from me, including all the emails, Facebook posts webpage updates as well as newsletters and yearbooks are usually created late in the evening hours. May each of you have a blessed, beautiful, and relaxing summer!

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## **Dedra's Tech Tips**

## Class Dojo- Behavior management system

https://www.classdojo.com/resources/

Create a positive classroom culture by helping students build important skills, like teamwork and persistence.

Share a timeline of wonderful moments to let parents be a part of your classroom

Share instantly with parents online.

## Mark the Dates

## 2016

June 28 New Officer Training –Black Mountain
July 5-9 International Convention, Gaylord Opryland Resort -Nashville, TN

## 2017

April 28 - 30, 2017 — Eta State Convention,

Wilmington, NC (Region IV)

July 19-22 Southeast Regional Convention,

Myrtle Beach, SC

#### 2018

Eta State Convention April

July 16-20 International Convention-Austin Texas

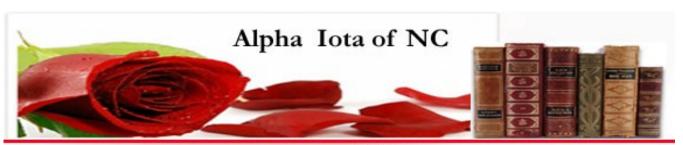
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