

PRESIDENT & EDITOR: DEDRA DAVIS dedraann@gmail.com



The Rose

Newsletter of the Alpha Iota Chapter, Eta State, North Carolina The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, and Swain Counties

Volume 13 Issue | Region XI

June 2019

In this issue:

- President Connie's message
- International News
- State & Regional News
- Chapter Spotlights
- President's Message
- Dates to Remember
- Social Media Links

<mark>Volunteers</mark> Still Needed

NC DKG members are encouraged to volunteer to help at the conference in Asheville.

if you are available, to help use the link below https:www.signupge nius.comgo/30e0d4 9adad2fa5f58-2019 especially to help coordinate technology during the workshops. Also let Tobey know if you have outdoor games or popup tents you will share.



In my role as state president, visiting chapters provided me with the opportunity to see members advocating for excellence in education and providing passion-

ate, meaningful programs with the Schools for Africa project, World Fellowship, wellness, and leadership. NC DKG has savvy chapter leaders who have Sparkled and shared their passion with their members, and I have enjoyed seeing the creativity as they promoted the purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma. I am amazed at the number of projects that engage our members as you are making a difference in your communities. We need to continue to promote the Value of Being a Member in DKG as we encourage members to apply for grants and scholarships on both the state and international levels. As leaders I would like to encourage you to mentor the new members you have inducted this spring. Remember to support teachers in the classroom and provide resources so our members can be involved at the state and international levels. I would like to encourage you to believe you are worthy of holding leadership positions. Each committee, committee chair position, each chapter office provides you with the tools to be ready to serve in other capacities. Thank you for allowing me to serve Eta State/ NC DKG the last two years. I will cherish the memories! It is not too late to make plans to attend the International Conference: Arts and Humanities in Asheville. I hope to see you there. Always remember to Share the Sparkle! Connie Savell Eta State NC President

International Arts and Humanities Conference in Asheville

Join us as we kick off the conference with *Fun on the Lawn* on Thursday June 27, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Join DKG members and friends on the green space outside the Resort's Expo Center. Gather together in the fresh mountain air for a boxed dinner, conversation and artisans including our very own Suzy DesLauriers and Reba Beck! There will also be musicians, and games! Up for a little friendly state rivalry? Start a game of corn hole, Frisbee toss, or checkers. Be sure to take part in the Collaborative Nature Weaving project that I am facilitating over the weekend along with Cicely Cable. Choose from a variety of locally gathered materials provided for all of us to weave into this unique work of art.

Remember sun hats or visors, comfy clothes, and maybe a little insect repellent to make this time outside more enjoyable. Cookies and lemonade are waiting for you in the Expo building, courtesy of NC DKG. NC Theme Night continues with the first General Session beginning at 7:00 p.m. and is immediately followed by entertainment as the FUN continues with more local artists. Traditional music and dance entertainers, The Whitewater Bluegrass Co. and the J. Creek Cloggers, will perform. Use your Theme Night ticket to claim a small pottery piece handmade by local DKG members with assistance from artist Sarah Anne Eller.



Amendments Approved at the 2019 Convention

Rules Committee Tammy Cullom, Chair

The members of The North Carolina State Organization of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (formerly known as Eta State), abbreviated as NC DKG, voted to approve all the presented amendments to the NC DKG Bylaws and Standing Rules. The proposed amendment to Article V Organization, Section 2. New Chapters B was withdrawn before voting. The NC DKG Rules Committee, with the input from convention workshop attendees, will be revising the draft checklist that chapters can use to make updates to their chapter rules based on the 2019 approved amendments. The final checklist will be emailed to chapter presidents and posted on the NC DKG webpage. One amendment that NC DKG passed stated that the state Rules Committee will make immediate changes to state rules following an International DKG Convention where proposed amendments were adopted. This should be a model for your chapter rules, where your chapter will make immediate changes following the International DKG Convention and also after the NC DKG Convention, as needed. This will be stated on the checklist for you. While you are making these recently adopted changes to your chapter rules, please visit the NC DKG webpage and find the standard chapter rules checklist. Print it and check that all recommended items are part of your chapter rules so they are as up-to-date as they can be. The next official chapter rules review by the state Rules Committee is scheduled for 2020.

Chapter Rules are a living, breathing document that may change to meet the needs of the group. A report and vote during the business section of your chapter meeting are all it takes to make necessary changes. If you have questions, please contact Chair Tammy Cullom. Other committee members of the Rules Committee are Becky Keesler, Barbara Piekarski, and Tobey Worthington.



Column from: (ETA STATE NEWS Summer 2019)

Actions Approved by the International Administrative Board

The DKG Administrative Board took action on several items during its May 2019 meeting. Among the actions were the approval of a recommendation that the 2022 International Convention be held at the Sheraton in New Orleans, Louisiana, during the week of July 10–18, 2022 (pending International Executive Board approval). They also approved, pending International Executive Board approval, the scheduling of three international conferences in 2021 and made a recommendation that Finland be the site of the 2021 International Conference in Europe. The Board approved the statement, "All educators who identify as women may be invited to membership," as the Society's inclusivity statement. The potential merger of the DKG Educational Foundation and the DKG Supporting Corporation received Administrative Board support. An Ad hoc committee was appointed to pursue the merger and an additional ad hoc committee will be charged with developing Bylaws for the new entity. They will report to the Administrative Board at the November 2019 meeting. The full list of major actions taken by the Board can be found by clicking on the appropriate rotator on the DKG homepage or visiting the Administrative Board page. You will need to be logged in to see the file. The International Administrative Board consists of the International Officers, Regional Directors, Members-at-Large, Area Representatives, Immediate Past President, Parliamentarian, and Executive Director.

It's Not Over—We Still Have Work to Do! By: Susan Phipps, Chair, ELP Committee

Much is still happening at the NC General Assembly these days, but most of it is happening off the floor in committee meetings. The Conference Committee, whose responsibility it is to come up with one final budget acceptable to both houses of the legislature and to the Governor, is made up of members from both houses. Now is a good time to contact your representative in the House and in the Senate to ask them to share your opinions with the Conference Committee members. They need to be encouraged to fund education rather than give tax cuts for big corporations, the wealthy, NASCAR and jet fuel for private jet owners. Instead, they need to restore educators' retirement benefits and pay for master's degrees. Teachers deserve substantial raises to keep up with inflation. Schools desperately need more psychologists, counselors and health professionals as well as classroom supply funding at pre-recession levels. This is not the time for tax cuts; it is the time to build strong schools. Let's keep working toward that end. This legislative session is definitely not over, so we still have work to do!



Who is Coming to Asheville?

Join Us for NC DKG Friday Night Out A Unique Experience Just for You

By: Dr. Teresa Cowan, SER Steering Committee Member

Friday will offer an experience you will not want to miss. First is an "Art to Wear" event at Bellagio in Biltmore Village (https://www.bellagioarttowear.com/). Bellagio "showcases exquisite collections of distinctive & artisan made clothing, jewelry, accessories, and event wear." There will be wine, light refreshments and fashions to enjoy. This event is open to all conference attendees Friday, June 28, 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. DKG members also receive a gift bag and 20% discount coupon from Bellagio! Come anytime then stay for dinner at TGI Friday. NC DKG members are invited to join fellow sisters for dinner at the TGI Friday in Biltmore Village. Reservations are full for the 7:00 p.m. semi-private room. Plenty of additional seating is available outside the semi-private room but the NC DKG reservation for 45 people is set for 7:00 p.m. If you plan to attend the International conference and/or the NC DKG dinner at TGI Friday, please let Executive Secretary Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon know. Email her at etaexecsecretary@gmail.com

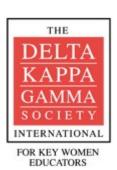
President-Elect Dr. Teresa Cowan is now reviewing applications for NC DKG committees. It is not too late to submit applications. The deadline is June 22.

> Committee Interest Form

https://www.ncdkg.org/ uloads/8/0/8/5/80859646/2019com mitteeinterestfformrev.pdf



2019-2021 NC DKG State Officers will be (left to right): Leslie Black, Treasurer; Hilda Parlér, Second Vice-President; Tobey Worthington, First Vice-President; Dr. Teresa Cowan, President; and Doris Littlejohn, Secretary.





Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

The May/June 2019 DKG News is now online at https://bit.ly/2DYidJ1 as either a flip book or a downloadable pdf file. Highlights of this issue include information on each international conference, the new dues process, a tribute to past International President Jean Gray, and A Birthday Wish from President Cathy Daugherty.



Clay County Grant-in-aid Award Recipients

Congratulations to Grant-in-Aid recipients Mariah Hodges and Laney Birch from Hayesville High. These two outstanding seniors received certificates from Alpha Iota Scholarship Committee member Suzanne DesLauriers. This fall our Grant-in-Aid Fund will provide \$1000 awards made payable to the colleges at which these young ladies enroll.

ingles

Fundraiser

Our Ingles Card fundraiser is now only once a year. We are doing a fall sales. Cards will be delivered at the November meeting for use for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Please plan to order cards if you can. You may give check or money to Julie at the September meeting or mail it to her by October 15th. Make checks payable to Alpha Iota. Make sure to list increments and how many of each you want. Order must total at least \$5000 to qualify. Our chapter keeps 5% of all sales.

Julie Norcross 861 HWY 28 Robbinsville, NC 28771







Chapter brings home two big awards from the Eta State Convention in Hickory!

Awesome work, ladies! Thanks to all you do, our chapter received a superior rating in the Chapter Achievement Awards! We were also awarded a Communications Excellence Award, the highest you can receive! Julie and I, along with Suzi Cabe, Karen Norton and Kathryn Kantz, were proud to represent you all!



As a special addition to our Founder's Day Program, President Connie Savell helps to recognize our 50 year members Bobbie Carpenter and Mary Ellen Montague with a 50 year pin and roses! We also remembered Evelyn Pangle who passed away this year.



Six new members were inducted into Alpha Iota Chapter on May 18th 2019.

Welcome to: Evelyn Graning of Jackson County; Nancy MacDonald of Jackson County; Angel Owens of Clay County;

Cicely Mason Cable of Cherokee County; Reba Beck of Clay County and Teri Walawender of Jackson County.



I have thoroughly enjoyed this first week of June! I was able to opt out of the week of optional workdays to paint, draw, and spend time with my family! The week was also filled with some great opportunities for me to share my talents with DKG. NC DKG President Elect Dr. Teresa Cowan asked if I would serve as the next chairperson for the NC DKG Communications and Marketing Committee. I eagerly accepted, although after serving on the committee this past year, I know it means a lot of work. Our President Elect also reached out to me

to create the imagery for her biennium theme of "Ready, Set, Grow!" I was honored to be able to create a design that met with her approval! Hence, you will soon see my illustration on NC DKG publications. If you do not yet know President Elect Dr. Teresa Cowan you soon will! If you plan to attend the International Arts and Humanities Conference in Asheville at the end of the month, her stamp is on almost every part of it! She has worked tirelessly on the event, including assisting a NC potter to help make favors for all registered attendees! Her husband Mike has been fully immersed in this conference as well. Teresa says he is her "biggest fan!" -not only did he transport dozens of gallons of centerpieces from the state conference in Hickory back to Asheville for storage, but he is also one of the Artisans demonstrating his talents on the Fun on the Lawn for NC night! As we all found our own ways to Sparkle under President Connie's leadership, we better be ready for a growth spurt under President Elect Teresa's guidance! I have already sprouted some new roots in my growth within the NC DKG organization. In addition to my most recent involvement mentioned earlier, being a part of the steering committee that helped to bring the conference to Asheville has been very enlightening and somewhat challenging. I pray I represent our chapter well.

In closing, let me take just a moment to brag on some extra special ladies. I am so proud of all of the art teachers in our chapter. Whether it is demonstrating, facilitating or co-teaching a workshop, all are involved at the International Conference in Asheville! Two of these teachers were just inducted in May! Way to go, Cicely and Reba! Many thanks also to Tracy and Suzanne for once again graciously giving of your time and talents! My gratitude to all of you who have been able to sign up to volunteer and/or attend for the day or the weekend! If anyone still wants to help out but cannot attend, there is another option for you. You can loan some of the following: a tent (pop-up tail-gate style) nice lawn games, preferably with a carry case with your name clearly marked, just let me know asap! I still need a few more pop up tents for our NC Night artisans and some nice lawn games for "Fun on the lawn". I have one last "Go to meeting" with the rest of the steering committee on the 18th and will need to report what we have and what we still need in regards to these items. Enjoy your summer, your rest, and your gardens! Won't you grow where you are planted? Consider using your talents to build, improve and support our chapter! Thank you all for all you already do!

As always – keep smiling, Dedra

Alpha Iota Save the Dates!

August 10 Summer Executive Board-Andrews

Planning meeting

September 7 Cherokee County-

Bring \$\$ for Ingles cards to Julie

County & Committee Breakout sessions

November 2nd Swain County -

December 7 Jackson County -Auction

March 7 Macon County-

May 16 NCCAT Induction & Installation

Convention Dates

June 27 - 29, 2019 — International Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville, NC

May 1 - 3, 2020 — NC DKG Convention, Embassy Suites, Greensboro, Region VII

July 7 - 11, 2020 — International Convention, Philadelphia, PA

April 23 - 25, 2021 — NC DKG Convention Asheville Crowne Plaza and Resort

International Website: https://www.dkg.org NC DKG Website: https://www.ncdkg.org



Eta State Website: https://www.ncdkg.org



International Website: www.dkg.org

Get Connected!

Like Us on Facebook



Delta Kappa Gamma International