

**Delta Omicron Tidbits**

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Martha’s Message

 There is a brisk feeling in the air. I know that we have all enjoyed the warm weather; but yesterday put me in the “March mindset”. A windy day…but still one filled with sunshine, daffodils, azaleas, and a school playground full of kids having fun. Since March came in like a lamb, we had better prepare ourselves for it going out like a lion. And don’t forget that on Sunday, March 12th we “spring ahead” with Daylight Savings Time. I hope that you are not one of those with a “body clock” and it will take you a few days to get used to the new time.

 Let us continue to remember our new teachers. Do you remember how looooong the weeks before Spring Break seem to be? When you pass them in the hall, give them an encouraging word.

 Please keep collecting our books for our project,
Give Five, Read Five”. We want to be able to shower our Kindergarteners with several books to take home. We need a lot more if each child is going to take home 5 books.

Martha

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**Meetings will be held at Saint Luke United Methodist Church at 4:00 p.m.**

Sept. 15, 2016

Nov. 17, 2016

Feb. 16, 2017

April 20, 2017



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I always feel so much better about Delta Kappa Gamma and myself, as a woman educator, after reading Sheila’s messages. I hope that this one encourages you as much as it did me.

**President’s Message**

**Sheila Groves, Eta State NC President**

Our Delta Kappa Gamma Founders were forward thinking. They understood the importance of women supporting women if they were to advance in positions of leadership. They created an organization that would champion and advance women in professional and personal endeavors. After 88 years, this vision remains the same. Our Society continues to recruit the best and the brightest women educators and offer opportunities to build leadership skills.

Delta Kappa Gamma provides a unique opportunity for the collaboration of four generations of women. Young members work with and learn from outstanding women who have influenced education for more than 50 years. These women model best practices, share experiences and encourage others to pursue their passion. New members can become actively engaged immediately, sharing their talents and taking part in decision making. DKG provides a safe environment for women to practice new leadership skills, build confidence, and take a risk. The blending of diverse talents and experiences leads to respect and team building. It provides a safety net for articulating multiple points of view. It teaches tolerance and strengthens our willingness to accept change. It brings us together to celebrate accomplishments and strive for more. It challenges us to be ready for leadership roles when opportunity knocks.

North Carolina is growing women leaders, keeping our Society strong and moving forward. DKG events bring women together to encourage, support, and influence leadership in our schools and communities. Our Eta State NC Convention offers many opportunities to share thoughts and explore creative ideas with other women who want to make a difference. The summer Leadership Development Seminar is a weekend learning experience designed to identify individual strengths and provide activities that allow women to explore their leadership potential. The Southeast Regional Conference presents another opportunity to collaborate with women from 11 southeastern states and visitors from across the US.

Women working together are a powerful force. We create the future - women supporting women, encouraging, challenging, and growing together in the nurturing environment of Delta Kappa Gamma.

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**“See” other dates on the following websites**

**International Website:** [**https://www.dkg.org**](https://www.dkg.org)

**Eta State NC Website:** [**www.ncdkg.org**](http://www.ncdkg.org)

**Important Dates for North Carolina Eta State**

**2017**

**April 28 - 30** – Eta State Convention, Hilton Wilmington Riverside, Wilmington, NC

**Region IV June 23 - 25** **–** Eta State Leadership Development Seminar, Asheboro, NC

**2018**

**April 27 - 29** **–** Eta State Convention, Charlotte University Hilton Charlotte, NC

**July 19 - 22** **–** SE Regional Conference Myrtle Beach, SC

**International Important Dates**

**July 16 - 20, 2018** — DKG International Convention, JW Marriott, Austin, TX

 

Hope Harbor Home is the convention project this year. They provide safe shelter for victims of domestic violence and present awareness sessions in schools. They have provided a variety of items on their wish list, shared on the convention webpage at [http://www.ncdkg.org/uploads/8/0/8/5/80859646/hope\_harbor\_home\_ info\_and\_wish\_list.pdf](http://www.ncdkg.org/uploads/8/0/8/5/80859646/hope_harbor_home_%20info_and_wish_list.pdf)

**Did You Know?**

**Happy Birthday to…**

Becky Marsh

March 25th

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Ashlyn Dial, our grant-in-aid scholarship recipient from last year, will receive the scholarship again this year. I have been in contact with her about this, and she is thrilled to be receiving the scholarship again.

Ashlyn is pursuing her teaching degree with a major in Special Education. She will have a concentration in either English or Psychology. She was excited to say that her first semester “was great”! She had 16.5 credit hours and finished with all A’s and a 4.0 GPA. That sounds “great” to me, too!

Ashlyn is also on the St. Andrew’s Softball Team. She is going to send me a copy of her schedule. As soon as I receive it, I will email it to everyone. I think it would be great for her to see us at some of her games.

If her schedule will allow it, I hope she will be able to attend our dinner in April. Maybe we can twist her arm to speak to us for a few minutes. Either way, I am sure that we are all very proud of Ashlyn and her accomplishments so far at St. Andrews.

**Happy St. Patrick’s Day**

**March, 17, 2017**

 

