

# Delta Gamma News

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

Delta Gamma Chapter

Region V Eta State

Durham County, NC

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## Delta Gamma Presidents' Message

**Happy New Year Everyone!** We sincerely hope that each and every one had a happy holiday. First of all, a big THANK YOU goes to our Treasurer, Dr. Joan East for making sure that our chapter was one of the 100% of US state DKG chapters that completed the filing of the annual IRS 990. This is a very important responsibility and Joan did a wonderful job of meeting all required deadlines. Thank you Joan!

During the month of February, there are several important activities and deadlines. As you peruse this month's newsletter, please be encouraged to also check the Delta Kappa Gamma state and national websites for more details regarding opportunities for DKG members. The web links are: <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/> or [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org). Both sites provide interesting state and national Society news, in addition to convention registration information and forms.

As you are well aware, *members* are the lifeblood of DKG chapters. We encourage everyone to attend chapter and state meetings when possible. This year the Eta State Convention will be held April 25-27, 2014 at the Hilton Hotel, Greenville, NC. Let's plan on making a great showing from our Delta Gamma Chapter!

In the meantime, please remember to invite an education professional to attend one of our meetings this year and/or consider membership in our Chapter. The guidelines for membership are found on page **11** of this month's newsletter for your convenience. February 28 is the deadline to submit nominations.

Also during this month, Delta Gamma officers will review chapter participation and evaluate activities. We look forward to *your* feedback about ways to enhance our chapter's attendance. Members will also be asked to assist in completion of our Delta Gamma Chapter Profile. Look for more details regarding this process in upcoming communications.

Thank you to Elaine Russell and Elaine Scagnelli for their hard work to arrange for our visit to Croasdaile Village. We look forward to seeing you Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> (9:00 am) at Croasdaile Village!

Fondly,

Theresa Wahome Tate and Judy Jones Delta Gamma Co-Presidents



## Delta Gamma Chapter Programs and Calendar for 2014...

Event: Chapter Meeting and Dinner Out  
Date: March 6, 2014  
Time: 5:30 PM  
Location: Bella's Cuisine, 3218 Guess Road, Durham,  
NC 27705

Note: As well as enjoying each other's company over dinner, this meeting will also include voting on new members and the election and installation of new officers.

Event: Initiation Banquet  
Date: Saturday, May 3, 2014  
Time: Breakfast or Lunch  
Location: TBA

Through the year, we hope you'll make an effort to attend meetings, contribute to our charitable projects, and invite a friend to one of our programs!

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**Judy Jones and Theresa Wahome-Tate**

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## Announcements from Eta State:

[www.deltakappagamma.org/NC](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC)

***Eta State Convention*** in Greenville, NC

**April 25-27, 2014**, Greenville, NC

at the **Greenville Hilton Hotel**

### Notes from Eta Data, December 15, 2013:

\*\* A pre-conference will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Friday.

Dr. Elaine Jenkins will present on "Using Courage to Advocate Professionally" that evening.

Chapters will be presented the Chapter Achievement Awards at the opening 7:30 p.m. session.

The Saturday night banquet will highlight the outgoing chapter presidents, the Eta State Scholarship Award recipients, and the Eta State Chorus.

Sunday morning, April 27, the beautiful Ceremony of Remembrance will take place at 8:15 a.m. at the hotel.

***Look for more details in the next Eta State News in early February!***

**International Convention 2014**  
**Indianapolis, Indiana**  
**July 28-August 1, 2014**  
at the JW Marriott Hotel

Check your **DKG News for Jan/Feb 2014** for the Registration Form and Details of many Activities that can be explored while in Indianapolis! Want to ride with a professional race car driver? Exciting idea.!



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## *Grant Funding Report*

GRANT FUND reported by Joan East:

To date, contributions to our Grant Fund total \$768.00.

(Additional contributions are very welcomed. 😊)

This money goes toward our Kick-Off Career Grants. In December, Delta Gamma awarded grants of \$200.00 each to five beginning teachers. Thank you to these supportive members:

Nancy L. Anderson

Beth Cross

Joan East

Betsy Feifs

Barbara Fish

Mary Fletcher

Mary Foster

Dorothy Graham

Claire Hudzunski

Judy Jones

Gerry Larson

Bet Lawson

Rita MacMillan

Kim Mayo

Mallory Mbalia

Frances Patterson

Suzanne Payne

Theresa Wahome-Tate

Sandy Poston

Sue Preston

Elaine Russell

Elaine Scagnelli

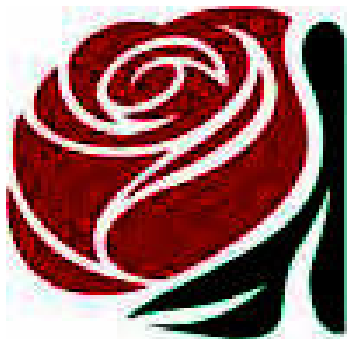
Nancy Swanek

Sandy Thurmond

Charlotte Speltz

\*\* The following pages will note the teachers who received the grants.

We give a “Thank You” to Gerry Larson for the great pictures!



# DKG

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FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS

# Teacher Grants Awarded!

## Delta Gamma Chapter Presents Five 2013 Kick-Off Career Teacher Grants

In December, Delta Gamma, Eta, Beta Iota, and Beta Kappa chapters presented nine \$200 local Delta Kappa Gamma Teacher Grants to beginning teachers in the Durham and Person Public Schools. Since 2012, this Teacher Grants program has grown from 6 to 9 grants as other chapters joined in the funding: Delta Gamma (5); Eta (2); Beta Iota (1); Beta Kappa (1). Special thanks to 2013 Teacher Grants Committee members who help publicize the grants, select applications, assist in presentations, and review evaluations.

Current committee members are:

Beta Kappa: Linn Lopez

Beta Iota: Lesleigh Mausi

Delta Gamma: Elaine Scagnelli, Gerry Larson, Judy Jones, Theresa Wahome-Tate, Frances Patterson

Eta: Carolyn Vincent, Nora McDuffie



**Photo:** At Brogden Middle School, Beth Cross and Sharon Stone (Beta Kappa) awarded grants to Corinne Huber, music director, and Shai Cullop, 8th grade Language Arts/Social Studies teacher. Corinne will use the grant to purchase blank CDs and iTunes to support individual performance critiques and growth of her students. Shai is establishing a nonfiction classroom library for her students.

## Teacher Grants Awarded...



**Photo:** At Little River Elementary, Judy Jones and Gerry Larson presented a grant to Joann McAdon, a 3rd grade teacher, who will use the grant to purchase Easy Speak microphones to help her students develop their reading and comprehension skills.



**Photo:** At Person High School, Gerry Larson and Deborah Burke (Beta Kappa) presented a grant to Andrew Haga, an environmental science teacher, who will use the grant to fund an erosion repair project on campus that will provide hands-on experience and curricular tie-ins for his students.



## Teacher Grants Awarded...



**Photo:** At Burton Magnet Elementary, Judy Jones and Gerry Larson presented a grant to Hank Samuels, a 4th grade teacher, who is purchasing a document camera and digital camera to enhance classroom instruction and recording opportunities for his students. Also, pictured is Burton Principal, Tekeisha Mitchell.



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**Delta Gamma Financial Statement**  
**October 16, 2013 – January 10, 2014 (Joan East)**

**General Fund, BB&T Checking Account**

Beginning Balance **\$2144.24**

Receipts:

Reimbursement from Beta Iota \$12.50

Dues 7 @ \$79, 2 @ \$34 \$621.00

Contributions for Grant Fund \$76.00

Total Receipts: **\$709.50**

Disbursements:

Reimbursement to Judy Jones, Speakers' mums \$18.56

Donation to Friends of State Parks, Oct Meeting \$25.00

Reimbursement to Theresa Wahome-Tate, registration for 9/14 mtg \$15.00

SECU, Transfer of contributions to Grant Fund \$76.00

Eta State Treasurer \$1851.00

31 dues @ \$55, 5 dues @ \$22, 36 scholarship @ \$1.00

Total Disbursements: **\$1985.56**

Balance in Checking: **\$868.18**

**SECU ACCOUNTS, opened July 15, 2010**

**Share Account**

Opening Balance **\$25.80**

Interest, October, November, December \$0.05

Balance **\$25.85**

**Reserve Fund, Money Market Account**

Opening Balance **\$1991.08**

Receipts:

Dividend, October, November, December \$5.30

Total Receipts: **\$5.30**

Disbursements: \$00.00

Total Disbursements: **\$00.00**

Balance **\$1996.38**

**Grant-in-Aid Fund, Money Market Account**

Opening Balance **\$2389.66**

Receipts:

Dividend, October, November, December \$5.15

Contributions \$70.00

Contributions transferred from BB&T \$76.00

Total Receipts: **\$151.15**

Disbursements:

5 Kick-off Career Grants @ \$200.00, SECU fee \$5.00 \$1005.00

Total Disbursements: \$1005.00

Balance **\$1535.81**

***President Pat 's Message: "The Power of One"***

***"Recently, I have been thinking about the positive difference that one person can make in another person 's life."***

President Patricia Taylor 's message this month deals with the many ways that one person can make a difference. She cites several examples she's learned first-hand about the ways many individual Delta Kappa Gamma members are helping another or providing leadership.

She echoes the words of International President Dr. Beverly Helms — it's "the power of one!"

President Pat emphasizes that one person can make a difference and encourages each of us to share our "power of one" and "spread the good news that in Delta Kappa Gamma, we are learning from each other and supporting each other every day."

*Read President Pat 's complete message on the Eta State website at :*

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/Presidents%20page.htm>.



***Look for Pictures of Delta Gamma Members & Activities!***

Susan Keunzel ETA DATA editor would like for members to look for "old" pictures!

Note from Susan:

The 80th. Birthday Celebration Committee would love to have pictures of your chapter to use in a video at the convention. They are especially looking for pictures from the early days of your chapter's organization, such as ladies in hats and gloves, initiation and installation ceremonies, large group shots of projects, pictures at conventions through the years, Treasured Roses ceremonies, ladies wearing DKG name badges, and any pictures you feel represent Eta State and your chapter through the years. Their goal is to have pictures from every chapter to include, so look through your scrapbooks and share. Please label the pictures with a year and chapter name, and email or send them to Betty Marshall, marshall4003@bellsouth.net, 6212 Dresden Lane, Raleigh, NC 27612. Digital images are preferred but ALL will be welcomed and the print ones will be returned after the convention.



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# Recommending and Nominating New Members

Current Delta Gamma Chapter members are invited to nominate new members who embody Delta Kappa Gamma leadership qualities and accomplishments in advancing the education of others.

The Nomination/Recommendation form is printed on the next page and is also available electronically at the following site in case you had rather use that:

<https://www.dkg.org/content/recommendation-membership-form-11>

This form must be received by Sandy Poston before February 28. New members will be voted on at our March chapter meeting. Please submit your Nomination/Recommendation Form by email or US mail.

Send to:

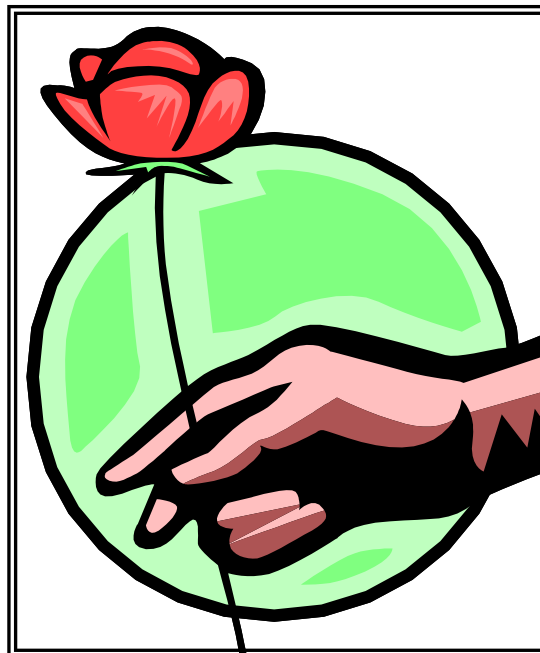
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Gerry Larson

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**The following two pages provide forms and information about  
*New Member Nominations.***



**MEMBERSHIP MEMO:** From the International Membership Committee : June 2011

## ***PRIDE IN THE BIG PICTURE – NEW MEMBERSHIP POSSIBILITIES***

The goal for this memo is to broaden thinking and possibilities for new members and answer questions as to who is eligible for membership and where to look for new members.

“An active member shall be a woman who is employed as a professional educator at the time of her election or has been retired from an educational position” (International Constitution)

**EMPLOYED** is defined as currently hired by an employer and/or paid a salary or fee for specific educational services.

**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR** is interpreted to include one-to-one and/or group instruction. The chapter decides if a prospective member is classified as a professional educator.

**CERTIFICATION or LICENSURE** is not required. It is the chapter’s decision as to who is invited to membership.

WHO will be YOUR chapter’s new members, and WHERE will you find them?

### ***WHO?***

#### **Traditional educational positions? (CHECK QUALIFICATIONS)**

Educational co-workers from all levels of educational positions: classroom teachers, supervisors, administrators, superintendents, college adjunct professors, professors, department heads, administrators, educational program administrators, etc.

School counselors, librarians, media specialists, school nurses, local/state/national departments of education employees who provide educational services, and paraprofessionals and instructional aides.

Educators associated with private/charter/trade schools.

#### **Non-Traditional educational positions? (CHECK QUALIFICATIONS)**

Private tutors (educational/dance/drama/music/painting, health program trainers), public librarians, church-school education department leaders, corporate trainers, registered nurses who present educational programs, district/state/national teacher training educators, consultants, seminar leaders, etc...

WHO are others??? Keep the list going...

### ***WHERE?***

Contacts within public/private schools, community colleges, universities, international schools, district service centers, alternative schools, professional development meetings and training centers, and various other facilities. Attend and connect with potential members at board of education activities, educational conferences, conventions, hospital programs with educational emphasis, public workshops, recreation programs, senior citizen centers/facilities with instructional activities, and social and community events such as health and wellness programs.

Anywhere: Keep possibilities of finding great potential members who meet membership requirements anywhere! Keep looking, and locating new members for your chapter. Diversity of Membership will give us more “Pride in the Big Picture” as we reach out to both traditional and non-traditional prospective new members who together will impact excellence in education worldwide in a variety of ways...



## Recommendation for Membership

*Instructions:*

Please complete and return this form.

For information about qualifications for membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, refer to sections on membership in the *Constitution* and the *International Standing Rules*.

Type of Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person recommended:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current position title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Total years of professional educator: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest educational degree granted: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Field: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional accomplishments: Include items such as professional development presentations, campus or departmental leadership roles, published materials, offices in other organizations honors and/or awards. (A brief resume may be attached to this application.)

Community activities:

Endorsed by one or more members: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: \_\_\_\_\_

# *Member News*

**“New York, New York !” Here comes a Delta Gamma member! Sandy Thurmond**

My daughter, Amy, followed her dream and is now living it in NYC. I had a wonderful trip to New York City this past fall to see her first performance with Ensemble Dance, in a collaboration with an amazing choral group, C4: The Choral Composer/Conductor Collective. She performed at two different venues; one at The Church of the Transfiguration in Midtown and the second at Mark Morris Studio in Brooklyn. Enjoying the art, sites, and food of New York was an added treat. I met so many generous people in Brooklyn and Manhattan who have embraced Amy into this New York life. Thanks to them, Amy is quickly becoming a true "New Yorker"! Mom is very happy!



*It all begins here!*



# Sandy Thurmond's "Mother-Daughter Time" Together!



The Church of the Transfiguration in Midtown



# Member News ...

**“Selfie”** ...A selfie is a type of self-portrait photograph, typically taken with a hand-held digital camera or camera phone. Selfies are often associated with social networking. In the Korean entertainment industry the word selca (short for "self camera") means photos taken of oneself.[1][2][3] They are often casual, are typically taken either with a camera held at arm's length or in a mirror, and typically include either only the photographer or the photographer and as many people as can be in focus. Wikipedia...



**“Selfie” with Chuck! Duke fans!!**

We will look forward to many photos of our DG activities, taken by Elaine!! Congratulations on exploring new technologies!

## **Taking Photography Course!**

My husband, Chuck Eilber, is an amateur photographer who takes various courses to improve his art. In December I joined him for a **Road Scholar** course in photography and caught the bug to take pictures. Now we are in an **OLLIE** (Duke) course and are learning how to use the iPad to take pictures, edit them, and then publish them. If I get good enough, I'll share some of my pictures with my friends at DKG. We are never too old to learn a new craft!

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Alexandria 17, “Izzy” 5, Emma 14

## **Celebrating !! Dec. 19. 2013**

Another December Birthday with my lovely Granddaughters! What FUN!

Each year, I can see young Isabella grow into a little girl! She is so eager to learn new things. This time we learned about birds-- our favorite subject!

Join the “Great Backyard Bird Count”  
February 14-17, 2014. Check it out:  
[www.birdsource.org/gbbc](http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc)

Nancy Anderson