The Beta Beta Bulletin

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Eta State – North Carolina, Region VII Beta Beta Chapter – Greensboro, Guilford County



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Upcoming Events:

Thursday, April 6 —

Joint-Chapter New Member Initiation, First Baptist Church, 7:00pm

April 28 - 30—

State Convention, Wilmington, Hilton Riverside *Convention information on page 2

Tuesday, May 9 —

Dinner Meeting, Program: Closing the Year/Report from State Convention/New Member Welcome, Mimi's Café, 6:00pm

July 19 - 22 —

Southeast Regional Conference, Myrtle Beach, Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center

President's Message

Dear Beta Beta Sisters, Spring is here at last! I thought you needed clarification since it was both 80 degrees and 32 degrees this week. I love North Carolina weather and its variety, and I love all of the colors that each season brings. We didn't really have seasons where I lived prior to moving to Greensboro, but we certainly had variety—people, foods, life in general. It was that appreciation for variety that drew me as a student to Smith High School and to a Study Abroad experience in college. That variety is also what I treasure most in our chapter of DKG. We have 3+ generations of teachers; beginning, veteran, and retired teachers; all levels of education including assistants, administrators, central office, and professors; and we even have sisters outside traditional education but still working with and shaping young people. All of those different experiences bring new perspectives to how we can best adapt to changes in our educational system and in the people on the front lines. I will be calling on a number of you to share your thoughts and experiences and to step into positions where those ideas can benefit our organization. We need more than new members to initiate—we need active members willing to share ideas for programs, membership, and fundraising. Before our May meeting, think about what you can present at a meeting or what new tools we can utilize to retain and grow our membership. I look forward to seeing many of you at Initiation and Convention next month and even more at our May meeting.

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News from Eta State

Spring 2017 Eta State News

From International

DKG News
Southeast Regional Conference

Opportunity to earn 30 CEUs, a variety of breakout sessions, one- and two-day registrations available. More Info

Headquarters Brick Gale

The deadline is approaching to purchase an engraved brick at Eta State Headquarters in Asheboro. Cost is \$125, and proceeds will maintain the headquarters building. Order forms are on the Eta State website.

Member Update

Bon voyage to Linda Rafferty for her trip to "April in Paris." We look forward to pictures of the French countryside!

Best of luck Linda Stratton (PP) during her kitchen renovation, and safe travels to St. Simon's for Spring Break!

Congratulations to Linda Stratton on her promotion and subsequent move to Indiana! Congratulations to Sharon Sullivan as chair of the John R. Kernodle, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Committee.

Convention 2017

The Convention Hotel, Hilton Riverside, is full, but The TownePlace Suites Wilmington-Wrightsville Beach (a Marriott property) is offering DKG members rooms for \$119 plus taxes. The hotel offers free parking, WIFI and breakfast. Rooms have two queen beds or a queen bed and sleep sofa. Rooms must be booked by March 27. The same price applies to Thursday as well as Friday/Saturday for those wanting to come early. The hotel is located at 305 Eastwood Road, Wilmington. 910-332-3326

Convention Registration Convention Schedule

The 2017 Eta State NC Convention Project is Hope Harbor Home- Brunswick County's only program offering around-the-clock response to victims of domestic violence and their children. Services include a safe shelter and crisis hotline, support groups, victim advocacy, meals, clothing, and transportation. Hope Harbor also employs a Community Educator who conducts presentations in schools on issues such as bullying, dating violence, sexual harassment, self-esteem, and other topics aimed at promoting non-violence among students and throughout the community. Eta State NC members can support this

organization through donations of gift cards, monetary contributions and items from the "wish <u>list</u>." Please bring or send your contributions to the 2017 Eta State Convention in Wilmington.

Pre-Conference Event: Bellamy Mansion Museum Guided Tour Friday, April 28, 10:00am, \$9 Registration

> **Educational Foundation Raffle Ticket Information**

Ten Thousand Villages

The locally owned, nonprofit fair trade store in Greensboro is facing closing if \$20,000 is not raised by the end of April.

Ten Thousand Villages is not just a retail store. One of its roles in the community is to educate people about fair trade. As you know from our presentations, many people confuse "fair trade" with "free trade" and do not understand the principles of fair trade, which include fair payment for work, good working conditions, no child or forced labor, gender equality, emphasis on empowerment, and much more. The store's speakers make presentations to groups of all ages and types.

Ten Thousand Villages needs customers to visit regularly, not just during the annual Bag Sale, Rug Event, and our CSE. They also need more nonprofits to arrange Community Shopping Events and organizations to invite speakers to talk about fair trade. They need people to understand how they are different from other gift shops. They also need cash donations. Please visit, shop, donate.

Hours: Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm, Sunday 1pm-5pm