Gamma Epsilon Expressions

*The newsletter of the Gamma epsilon chapter of the delta kappa gamma society international Eta state, north Carolina, region II, jones county*

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# President’s message



**Upcoming**

**Chapter Events**

DKG Meeting:

Saturday, April 13 at Breakfast meeting to vote on perspective members and debrief the Reverse Drawing.

**Upcoming**

**ETA State Events**

**May 3 – May 5 Eta State Convention in Hickory, Region X at the Crown Plaza**

June 27 – June 29

International Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville.

\*\*Remember ALL sisters are asked to RSVP whether or not you will be attending the meetings. Please call Emily Andrews at (252) 521-3934 or email her at esandrews0603@yahoo.com

President of DKG Society International Carolyn Pittman’s theme for this biennium

*“DKG: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.”*

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Gamma Epsilon Sisters,

 I hope everyone had a nice Valentine’s Day and looking forward to our March fundraiser. Right now it appears as though everything is on track for the fundraiser. I would like to thank everyone who volunteered at the last meeting to help on a committee that may have not had enough people. The more participation from all of our members the more successful our fundraiser will be.

 Ticket sales started off strong but have slowed down. Please let Bea know how your sales are going and turn in your money. We have to have a count by Friday so that we can order the food.

 If there are any suggestions or something that you think we may have forgotten during the meeting please feel free to contact one of the following committee chairs.

 Tickets: Carolyn Lane

 Food: Ann Waller

 Reverse Drawing/Sideboards: Michelle Basden

 50/50: Ann Meadows

Set Up: Aileen McKinney

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the fundraiser!

Sincerely,

Jackie Lanier

Gamma Epsilon President

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Remember our event will be the Scholarship Fundraiser on March 2 at the Jones County Civic Center. Please arrive between 5:00 and 5:30.

\*\*New Convention registration link

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[Jones County Chat link:](https://www.facebook.com/jonescountychat/videos/1692493324183699/)

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## **Eta State Updates and Information**

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 ***Convention Award & Dates***

* **Chapter Achievement Award** applications must be completed by the chapter president and the electronic copy emailed to the Regional director by March 1, 2019.
* **Rising Star Award** and **Golden Key Award** must be emailed to the Awards Committee by March 1, 2019 at etastateawards@gmail.com
* **March 30** Convention vendor forms
* **March 31** Convention adsare due to Nancy Tunstall
* **April 3 –** hotel registration for Crowne Plaza Hickory block rate ends (make reservations if attending)
* **April 15** Early Bird Registration deadline for Eta State Convention.

***New Beginning Teacher Award***

Honor a beginning teacher by nominating her for the new Eta state NC 85th Birthday Celebration Beginning Teacher Award to be given for the first time at the Eta State NC Convention. Nominations are due by April 1 and available on the Eta State NC home page or the Convention page.

All updates submitted from Eta Data Newsletter

**Mission Statement**

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.



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Order your official DKG pin online at

<https://acgreek.com/greek/home.php>

**Fund$ for Florence**

 The 2019 Eta State NC Convention project will benefit teacher-members in schools damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Florence. Recovery will be long and hard for those schools, so donations of gift cards to various places will help those teachers rebuild their classrooms. Watch for more information soon!

**Proposed Changes to Eta State Bylaws & Standing Rules**

Watch the Eta State NC website and your email in March for the proposed amendments to the *Eta State Bylaws* and *Standing Rules* that will be votes on at the convention.

**Musicians and Chorus Members Needed**

Music Representative Leslie Barger is looing for members interested in singing in the chorus or performing a solo; playing a musical instrument solo, playing the piano, and/or accompanying the chorus. If interested, please email Leslie at leslie.barger007@gmail.com

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**2018 – 2019 Gamma Epsilon Calendar of**

**Events and Dates to Remember**

**March 2:** Reverse Drawing Fundraiser at Jones County Civic Center. Dinner @6:00 Drawing begins @7:00

**March 22-23** Leadership Development Seminar, Asheboro (see email from Jackie on February 20)

**April 13: Saturday meeting at 10:00** vote on new members and recap of fundraiser. Orientation for “perspective” members will be scheduled for late April.

**May 3 – May 5** Eta State Convention at the Crowne Plaza Hickory, NC.

**May 7:** Initiation of new members and officers *at**Trenton United Methodist Church;* meeting at 5:30 followed by dinner.

**June 27-29:** International Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville, NC

*If you have any stories or items to contribute to the newsletter, please send me an email or call. Any member news is greatly appreciated.*

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**Stay**

**Connected**

***Fundraiser Ticket and Committee Information:***

Ticket money is due to Bea Harriett by Wednesday, February 27. Please contact her for concerns and arranging drop off. Below are the updates for committee assignments and volunteers from the last meeting. This list might not be complete as I tried to write it down and get some information from others.

Ticket committee:  Carolyn Lane (chair), Lori Rouse, and Bea Harriett

Sideboards:  Michelle Basden (chair), Jenny Seaberg, Donna Morton & Emma Andrews

Cooking/Food Committee:  Debra Almanza (chair) and Ann Waller

Servers: Donna, Emily, Elizabeth, Verna, Janie and Jamie

50/50 Ticket Sales:  Ann Meadows, Polly Whitehead and Taffy Jones

Set Up Committee:  Aileen McKinney, and Megan Philips, Sylvia

Front Door Greeters and tickets: Janelle and Lorin

On stage for tickets: Elizabeth (draw tickets and give to Luther), Jackie and Julie help with tickets one drawn.

**Gamma Epsilon Chats with the Community**

 One of the goals of Gamma Epsilon is community involvement. We realized the importance of being a vital part of the community but also realize the importance that the community understands our purpose and principles and how we are impacting education within the county and state.

 Jones County has initiated a Facebook forum called “Jones County Chat” to inform the community of events, happening, and organizations within the county and the benefits this information entails for the community. Gamma Epsilon had the opportunity to appear on “Jones County Chat” to share some of our endeavors. Two main areas we discussed were the Schools for Africa project and our fundraisers for Scholarships. One of which was our upcoming reverse drawing that provides monies for our scholarship fund. Over the last few years we have been able to provide over $32,000 in scholarships for high school students desiring to become teachers, teacher assistance working on teaching degrees and teachers in masters programs. Through this forum we were able to honor the women in Jones County who are daily giving of their love and time in education as well as who show evidence of potential in the field of education; and to assist them with scholarships that will help them in this endeavor.

Education is so near and dear to our hearts and we are grateful for the opportunity to share our initiatives and thank the community for their support. This forum allowed us to do just that.

Social Media Information
Join the conversations



[https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtaState/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtaState/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

[*Tweets by @Eta\_State*](https://twitter.com/Eta_State)

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