

# GAMMA EPSILON EXPRESSIONS

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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(from Eta State Data Newsletter)

### Early Convention

#### Registration Encouraged

Eta State members planning to attend the 2016 Eta State Convention in Winston Salem, April 22-24, are encouraged to make your reservations early. Reservation info for the Marriott is on the Eta State website convention page at

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2016Convention.html>

*Eta State may be able to secure more rooms at convention rate if the block fills soon enough, so reserve early.*

Rooms are \$119, single or double, plus taxes. Deadline for the group rate is March 22, and as in the past, rooms will go fast so register early. It speeds the check-in process if you will put all names in the room on the initial registration or update it as soon as you know who is rooming together. The hotel puts bills under the door and room charges can be viewed on the room televisions. This will help speed your checkout.

*There is a charge for parking in the city deck.*

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*Remember that we are assembling "New Teacher Bags" at our January meeting. Now is a great time to collect items for the bags, there will be approximately 18 bags to put together.*

### UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

**DKG Meeting:**  
Thursday, December 3 at Jones Middle School Media Center at 4:30 – Cookie Exchange.

### UPCOMING ETA STATE EVENTS

**April 22 - 24 Eta State Convention in Region IX Embassy Suites/Marriot Hotel, Winston Salem**

July 5 – 9  
International Convention, Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center, Nashville, TN

**\*\*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](mailto:esandrews0603@yahoo.com)**

President Sheila Groves' theme  
*"Create the Future – Imagine, Inspire, Ignite."*

Gamma Epsilon Sisters,  
Thank you to all who were able to go to the Lynn Faulk Shopping Day! Please begin to think of a family we can spread some "Christmas Cheer" to this holiday season. Our next meeting will be on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Jones Middle School at 4:15pm for a Holiday Treat Exchange. We will have a brief meeting and then enjoy fellowship with one another. Please bring your favorite holiday treat to share and bring an empty container to take home samples! If you would like to include copies of your recipe you can.

*I look forward to catching up with everyone soon!*

*Jamie Waller*

**Anyone interested in being on the Spelling Bee Committee – please email Jamie and stay after the December meeting adjourns for a brief meeting.**

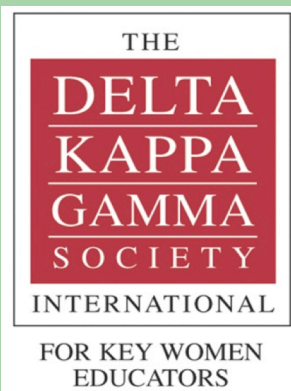
**Mission Statement**

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



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**Eta State Updates and Information**

**DKG Gallery of Fine Arts**

The DKG Gallery of Fine Arts for Fall 2015 showcases submissions from around the world, including some from talented Eta State members. Go to <https://www.dkg.org/content/dkg-gallery-fine-arts-0> to view the creative efforts of all the selected members. The next submission period is from January 1 to February 1, 2016.

**Honor and Remember Project Is On-going**

Your donations to the Foundation make the grants possible. Donate in honor or remembrance of someone by sending your donation to Betty Marshall, Foundation Treasurer, 6212 Dresden Lane, Raleigh, NC 27612.

*Remember North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation is an approved 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, these are tax-deductible donations, and therefore checks are preferred.*

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**Want to See the World with DKG?**

DKG has partnered with Go Ahead Tours to take DKG members on a fun, educational tour of England, Scotland and Ireland in mid-July, 2016. The 12-day itinerary is online at <http://dkg.grouptoursite.com>, along with an enticing slide show of points of interest along the way. Learn more by joining one of the webinars listed at <http://www.goaheadtours.com>

Order your official DKG pin online at <https://acgreek.com/greek/home.php>

The Winter Edition of *Eta State News* is online.

The link is <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/ESNWinter20152016.pdf>. The next *ESN* deadline is January 10, 2016. Editor Sue Roberts asks you to please think about submissions before getting too busy with holiday preparations. This will be the issue for convention information.

Submissions can be sent to [Suebetatau@comporium.net](mailto:Suebetatau@comporium.net) any time before January 10.

**LEROY The Leadership Guy**

From <http://leroytheleadershipguy.weebly.com/leroy-graphics.html>



**A leader's number one goal is to develop future leaders, not followers.**  
*"Happy Holidays"* from Leroy the Leadership Guy

International Website  
[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)  
 Eta State Website  
[www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/)

## 2015 – 2016 Gamma Epsilon Events and meeting schedule

*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.*

**December 3:** Social “Holiday Treat Exchange” Hosts: Trenton Elementary Staff Time/Location: 4:15, Jones Middle School Library **\*\*Bring a tin of cookies or holiday treat to share and bring another tin to take home other’s treats\*\***

**January 7:** Program: Eta State President Sheila Groves to visit, **new teacher bags (staff new to Jones County)**, fundraiser assignments, new member forms Hosts: Maysville Elementary Staff Time/Location: 4:15 Jones Middle School Library

**February 11:** Spelling for Scholarships (date pending approval) at Jones Senior High  
**March 19, 10:00 am:** Vote on new membership Hosts: Carolyn and Kelly Location: Breakfast at Baker’s Kitchen in downtown New Bern  
**April (TBD):** Orientation for new members  
**May 17 5:30:** Initiation of new members Hosts: retired teachers Location: Pollocksville Baptist Church

### Stay Connected

#### Call for Breakout Sessions Presenters

Breakout session presenters are needed for the 2016 Eta State Convention to be held April 22- 24 in Winston-Salem.

The four strands for breakout session topics will be Technology, Teaching & Learning, Personal Growth, and DKG Society. A proposal form is posted on the Eta State website at

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/2016Convention.html> and should be submitted by January 25, 2016.

For more information, contact Eta State 1st Vice President Connie Savell at [mcdpm59@gmail.com](mailto:mcdpm59@gmail.com), (704)-477-0450, or 206 North Roxford Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

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