

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

Dear Gamma Epsilon Sisters,

On Thursday, February 5th at 6pm our 3rd Annual Adult Spelling Bee "Spelling for Scholarships" fundraiser was held at Jones Senior High School. Twelve teams competed while audience members cheered them on. Thank you to all of our members in making this a fun event for the community. A special THANK YOU to members that came out at 10am to help set up, members that got food/drinks donated and picked up, all members on the Words Committee, and to every member for their help in making this fundraiser a great success! Our unofficial total from that night is \$3,467! Great job! Our next meeting will be on March 12th 4:30pm at Jones Middle School (note: location and date change). Our program will be "Schools for Africa" and we will be voting on new members.

Hostesses for March 12th meeting are: Michelle Basden, Cheryl Heath, Verna Johnson, Jenny Seaberg, and Polly Whitehead.

See you soon!

Jamie Waller



The 100 Challenge *Pay it Forward*

From Eta State Data News

All 11 state regions have recorded pledges. The early February count is 480 pledges, \$7,565 promised by Eta State members to support future programs, projects, and scholarships. Imagine the difference you can make when your \$10 pledge is combined with others from across the state. The Foundation challenges all NC members to show your passions and support for the professional and personal development of women educators and excellence in education.

Pledges received before March 15 will be recognized at the state convention.

ATTENTION -- -- ATTENTION

**The meeting for
March has been
changed to
THURSDAY,
MARCH 12 in the
MEDIA CENTER at
JONES MIDDLE
SCHOOL!!**

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

DKG Meeting:
Thursday, March 12 at
Jones Middle School
Media Center at 4:30.

UPCOMING ETA STATE EVENTS

April 24 – 26, 2015
**Eta State
Convention**
Chapel Hill

July 15 – 18
Southeast Regional
Conference, Westin
Harbor Resort,
Savannah GA.

****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**

Motto of our new NC
Eta State President
Patricia Taylor. . .

"Together, we are
stronger-committing,
collaborative,
celebrating!"

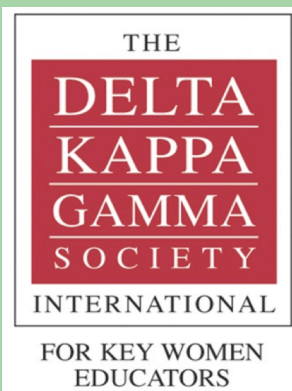
Mission Statement

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

Bus Trip to Savannah, Anyone?

Dr. Judith Carlson, Past Eta State President, is happy to announce the possibility of networking in genuine spiritual fellowship with Eta State sisters as they travel together by bus to the SE Regional Conference in Savannah, GA July 15-18, 2015. No deposit is required at this time. ***Dr. Carlson needs to know by March 15 if members are interested in***

this opportunity. The departure city will be Greensboro. The estimated cost will be approximately \$125 per person, round trip. Please contact Dr. Carlson at judithb125@gmail.com as soon as possible if you are interested.

From: Eta Data Newsletter, January 15, 2015 [reprint from January Expressions newsletter.](#)

The most recent edition of the Eta State News is a digital and print issue. **This is the LAST issue that will be mailed to members.** This is also the largest issue ever published and includes proposed changes to the Bylaws and the Standing Rules to be voted on at convention. The newsletter from Spring 2015 is available at <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/Communications2members%20page.htm>

Pick a passion and share it! One person's passion may be another person's stepping-stone to success! Together, we are stronger!

Read all of President Pat's message at <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/Presidents%20page.htm>

LEROY The Leadership Guy

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

Eta President Pat's Message

"Everyone is passionate about something!"

Whatever our passions are, it seems they are usually part of who we are and are easy to put into action to share with others.



International Website
www.deltakappagamma.net
 Eta State Website
www.deltakappagamma.org/NC/

2015 Convention Project For Eta State Convention

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford (MHCOC), located in Oxford, NC, will benefit from the generosity of Eta State members this year. The Convention Arrangements Committee has announced that donations to the home will be the convention project. MHCOC's goal is to help children who need a stable, caring and loving home. There are currently 53 residents, ranging from 3 years to college age. You can find more information about the home by going to www.mhc-oxford.org. Stories from the residents on each page will warm your heart. The list of needs and possible donation items has been added to their website

and available at the link below. Convention attendees may donate items by bringing them to the registration area. The committee appreciates your support of this worthwhile project to support children in the community. Donation list available at <http://www.mhc-oxford.org/needinformation.html>

International Convention 2016
Gaylord Opryland Resort &
Convention Center, Nashville, TN
July 5-9, 2016

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.

Stay Connected

Opinions Count

The International Non-dues Revenue Committee needs input from each member on a brief insurance survey. Please complete the survey by April 15 at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5FWQ3LY>

Hotel Registration Open

SE Regional Conference hotel reservations just opened at the Weston Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-228-3000 – mention you're with Delta Kappa Gamma Southeast Regional Conference.

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Social Media Information
Join the conversations on:



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Spelling Bee Recap and News

Submitted by Jamie Waller



3rd Annual Adult Spelling Bee "Spelling for Scholarships" Fundraiser Teams & Sponsors

Please thank these teams and sponsors in helping make this fundraiser a great success!!

Teams

Comfort Elementary School
Cypress Creek UMC

Jones County Cooperative Ext. Service
Jones County Central Services
Jones Middle School
Jones Senior High School
LCC- Jones County Unit
Maysville Elementary School
Pollocksville Elementary School
Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

Trenton Elementary School
Trenton United Methodist Church

Sponsor

Comfort Elementary School
Cypress Creek United Methodist Church

Donna Morton
Jones County Central Services
Jones Middle School
Jones Senior High School
Lenoir Community College

Tara Patterson
Realo Drugs
Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

Brock Motor Company
BB&T

Please thank Chick-fil-A of New Bern (Tom Pike) for their donation to our fundraiser!

Congratulations

Team with the Most Supporters
Team Spirit Award

3rd place

2nd place

1st place

Trenton Elementary School
Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

Trenton United Methodist Church

Jones Senior High School
Jones County Central Services

Recommendations for Membership

Email Elizabeth Jones your recommendations for membership ASAP! Please give her the name of the person, their address, phone number, email, current position/title, employer, total years as professional educator, highest educational degree earned, and a list of professional accomplishments (leadership roles, published materials, professional development presentations). 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. We will vote on new members at our March 12th meeting.