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**Meeting Dates**

Sept. 15, 2016

Nov. 17, 2016

Feb. 16, 2017

April 20, 2017

Martha’s Message

Do you remember the saying from *Alice in Wonderland*… ”the hurrier I go, the behinder I get”? Well that is how I feel. I try to get caught up on my Delta Omicron forms, emails, updating our Standing Rules and our handbook…then, when I think I can breathe, something else comes up. On a brighter note, The Executive Board met and we had a wonderful planning session. We are off and running!!

One question that came out in our meeting was, “where to meet”. Although the A.B. Gibson Center is a central location, it just doesn’t work. Sometimes it is hard to find a place to park and then we are in a room so big that we feel we have to scream to be heard. We mentioned Saint Luke because we don’t have to fight for a parking place and it has a much better atmosphere for a meeting. Shirley has secured the use of the fellowship hall for us. Thanks Shirley!

Our theme for this year is “*Create the future…Inspire”.* Join us as we focus on inspiring others, as we too are inspired.

For those of us that are starting back for another year…go forth, good luck, and God Bless!

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GIVE FIVE, READ FIVE

Kindergarten students at North Laurinburg Elementary School were given a treat Friday morning, June 3, 2016 when Delta Omicron members presented books that they had collected over the course of the year to the Kindergarten students. These books are for the students to take home and read over the summer. Each student was given a tote bag with their name on it and then given a chance to choose 5 books of their choice to put in their bags and take home for the summer!

They were also given Summer Reading Tips for parents, bookmarks to color and cut out and a small bag of crayons to color their bookmarks. The students were so excited and thrilled to be able to carry these books home with them. Members Carol Whitehead, a retired teacher, and Sheila Smith, school Media Specialist aided the students in their selections. It is so very important for students to continue their reading over the summer months.

 



From the smiles on their faces, I would say this project was a huge success! Thank you Sheila for coordinating this event.

DID YOU KNOW???

**Grant Submissions Due Sept. 30**

Grant proposals to the NC DKG Educational Foundation will be due September 30, so individuals and chapters can be planning now for submissions.

Grants will be offered in the Professional/Personal Growth category and the Learning/Literacy category. Creativity, collaboration, involvement, and innovation are elements the Grants Committee takes special note of in proposals.

Proposals will be submitted via email to the Grants Review Committee Chair and must be received no later than September 30, 2016. Announcement of grant recipients will be made by November 20, 2016.

Proposal Forms and the email address for submitting proposals are posted on the Foundation website. The URL is <http://www.ncdkgef.org/>

**Pittman Installed as New International President** ****

Carolyn Pittman of Arkansas is the new president of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society Inter-national. She was elected and installed at the convention in early July in Nashville.

Pittman, the Society’s most recent International Achievement Award winner, has served as first vice-president, Southeast Regional Director, and member-at-large on the Administrative Board. She has chaired several International Committees, including her current position as chair of the Educators Award Committee.

Elected to serve with Pittman were Barbara Whiting of Minnesota, who was the International representative to our Eta State NC Convention in April, as first vice-president, and Becky Sadowski of Tennessee, who was the International representative at our state convention in 2015, as second vice-president. Linda Navorska of South Carolina was elected as Southeast Regional Director.

**September Meeting**

At our meeting, we will discuss which projects our society wants to sponsor this year. Come with ideas and thoughts.