

Delta Omicron Tidbits

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**Meetings will be held at Saint Luke United Methodist Church at 4:00 p.m.**

Sept. 15, 2016

Nov. 17, 2016

Feb. 16, 2017

April 20, 2017



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Martha’s Message

Fall is in the air! The mornings and evenings are starting to get cooler. We can open up our windows and let in some fresh air. The leaves are starting to change colors, football games are in full swing, and it is becoming “sweater weather”. Teachers are not dreading recess and getting hot! I think that fall is my favorite season of all!

At this time of year, one of my favorite words is “brisk”. When my students come up and say that it is cold outside, I just tell them that it is “brisk”…fresh and enlivening. Some of them have never heard this word. So as we discuss it, the students are learning a new word and I am trying to let them know that it will be getting colder later on and that they had better enjoy this weather.

Wouldn’t it be great if we could make every day and everything we do “fresh and enlivening”? So many times when we start a new day, we may already be worried about something that we are going to face later. Let’s make a conscientious effort to be positive thinkers and to start each day in a “brisk” way.

As we “create the future…inspire”, let’s look for fresh and enlivening ways to make Delta Omicron a society that others want to be a part of.

Enjoy the fall days ahead!

Martha

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With the elections coming up, here is part of an article that was written by Susan Phipps, Chair, Educational Law & Policy Committee. Attention needs to be addressed to some of these items in October. Voting is our right and a privilege! Take special notice to the last paragraph.

**Things to Keep in Mind This Election Season**

The Federal Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in August that NC’s new Voter ID Bill passed in 2013 was unconstitutional, requiring county Boards of Elections to revisit their adopted plans for this year’s presidential election. Here are the main implications of this court decision:

* Voters will not be required to show a photo ID at the polls (Unless one registered to vote by mail and this is their first time to vote or if one registers and votes on the same day during early voting using One-Stop Voting).
* Out of precinct voting on Election Day is once again allowed. (A provisional ballot will need to be used in this instance, but the vote will count.)
* Same-Day Registration is once again allowed during early voting. (One may register and vote on the same day.) More days for early voting may be offered than in the overturned law. (This does not necessarily mean the local Board will vote to expand early voting.)

Regular Voter registration ends on October 14.

To avoid possible problems on Election Day, it is best to update one’s registration at the local Board of Elections office after changing to a new address. (By October 14)

**Above all: Be sure to register to vote, if you are not already registered, and VOTE for pro-education candidates in November! Remember, you are your students’ voice!**



At our meeting in September, we discussed ways to help our Beginning Teachers. Here is what Eta State is suggesting…**“Fan the Flames”**

“The Beginning Teacher Support Committee has established the following theme for the new biennium **“Fan the Flame!”** We know that a love/passion for teaching and children was ignited within the hearts of many individuals which led them to become teachers.  Whether it be a beginning teacher or a veteran teacher, it is important that these flames continue to grow and glow brightly.  No one can afford to see those flames grow cold. It is our hope that chapters will work to **“Fan the Flames”** of care, enthusiasm and commitment that burn within the hearts of teachers by demonstrating much-needed support and encouragement.”

These ideas are now compiled and available for you to use on Eta State's new website. Find the pdf document on the Beginning Teacher Support Committee page.

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**“See” other dates on the following websites**

**International Website:** [**https://www.dkg.org**](https://www.dkg.org)

**Eta State NC Website:** [**www.ncdkg.org**](http://www.ncdkg.org)

**Important Dates for North Carolina Eta State**

**2017**

Nov. 15 – Nominations for 2017-19 state officers form due to Ellen Gragg

Jan. 1 – Arts & Humanities Gallery submission deadline

April 28 - 30 Eta State Convention, Hilton Wilmington Riverside, Wilmington, NC

Region IV June 23 - 25 Eta State Leadership Development Seminar, Asheboro, NC

July 19 - 22 SE Regional Conference Myrtle Beach, SC

**2018**

April 27 - 29 Eta State Convention, Charlotte University Hilton Charlotte, NC

**International Applications and Due Dates**

Jan. 3 – International Educational Foundation Project application due

February 1 – 2017 Scholarship Application

Click the links or access the

International website

[*http://www.DKG.org*](http://www.DKG.org)

Click Forms and then

Click Applications

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***New Eta State NC Website Unveiled***

“Check it out” at

<http://www.ncdkg.org>

**Happy Birthday to…**

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**Did You Know?**



**“Pave the Way for DKG Memories”**

**Headquarters Project Announced**

Help line the front walk of Eta State NC Headquarters in Asheboro

with engraved paving bricks as part of the newly announced

“Pave the Way for DKG Memories” project to raise money

for Headquarters.

Build DKG memories by buying a brick in honor or memory of

someone or to celebrate your chapter. Bricks may be engraved with up to three

lines of 18 character each. The cost per brick is $125.

Forms can be found on the new Eta State NC website at

[http://www.ncdkg.org/uploads/8/0/8/5/80859646/ 2016pavetheway.](mailto:\“Pave%20the%20Way%20for%20DKG%20Memories\”%20Headquarters%20Project%20Announced)

Mail forms and payments to Eta State NC Treasurer Ruth Jones at 3607 Wyneston Road, Greenville, NC 27858.

