The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Chi State *Area XII* *Eta Chapter*

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November/December

President's Message

As we finish off the Thanksgiving leftovers and prepare for the season of gift giving, I am reflecting on all for which I am thankful. Of course my Delta Kappa Gamma sisters come to mind. I am blessed to be president of Eta chapter where everyone is willing to step up and help when called upon. This was most evident when I was under the weather and the board stepped right up and continued our work for the December brunch. What a gift I have with such a wonderful board.

This willingness to help doesn't end with the board. There are several members who keep Eta on track with their tireless efforts behind the scenes. We have members who keep the communication going via the Internet or the US Mail. The hospitality committee makes sure our meetings have yummy treats. (We had a

feast for October's meeting at McBride High School.) Our yearbook and contact information is continually being updated. Possible scholarship recipients are being reviewed and identified. There is much, much more that our Eta sisters do to make our chapter successful. These wonderful ladies are a gift to our chapter.

The season of gift giving is upon us. The days are getting shorter and the weather is finally turning colder. Winter is in the air. I am looking forward to the season with a warm feeling in my heart knowing that I have a team of wonderful Eta sisters who support our chapter. So as we count our blessings and recognize the gift we have in each other, let us share Delta Kappa Gamma's Spirit of "Key Women Educators" with all those we meet. Happy Holidays to all!!

Who is Ernest McBride Sr.?

Born on November 20, 1909, Ernest McBride was one of seven children who attended segregated schools in Arkansas. As a young man, he came to Long Beach looking for a better life. Even here in Long Beach, he experienced injustices due to racism. He became a civil rights activist and community leader who followed the teachings of peaceful protests modeled by Mahatma Gandhi. He and his wife had to fight for the right to move into a predominantly Caucasian neighborhood on Lemon Ave. This is where they raised their six children. His home became a meeting place for many civil rights activists. It is now a historic landmark (1994). Ernest McBride Sr. co- founded the Long Beach Chapter of the NAACP. Along with Ernest McBride Senior High School, the Ernest McBride Skate Park and Community Center are also named in his honor. Ernest McBride Sr. died in 2007 at the age of 97.

ETA CHAPTER PROGRAMS:

DATE	***TIME***	***PROGRAM***	***PLACE***
12/6	*9:00 a.m.*	*Holiday Brunch*	*L.B. Yacht Club*
		Books and Bears	
1/14	*5:45 p.m.*	*Community Services*	*Hoover Middle School*
2/ 7	*9:00 a.m.*	*PEP Auction*	*Westminster Town Hall*
3/16	*5:45 pm.*	*TBD*	*Hoover Middle School*
4/ 18	*9:00 p.m.*	*Area XII Conference*	*The Grand*
5/1 to 5/3		***Chi State Convention***	***San Francisco***
5/7	*5:45 p.m.*	*Barnes & Noble*	*Marina Pacifica*
5/8	*7:00p.m.*	*BARK Pajamarama*	*Marina Pacifica*
6/ 6	*11:30 a.m.*	*Grant Recipient Tea*	*Alida Steinhauser's Home*

December 6, 2014

Long Beach Yacht Club

Don't forget to bring Books and Bears to support "For the Child".

Long Beach Museum of Art:

Thursday, November 13, 2014 several of our Eta sisters attended an evening at the Long Beach Museum of Art. We started with dinner at Claire's and then walked across the grassy bluff overlooking the water and the downtown city skyline to the museum entrance. There we were met by three docents who gave us a personal tour of the current art collection; "Masterworks: Defining a New Narrative". It was an educational and entertaining evening!!!! Thank you Judith for pulling it all together!!!!!!!!

Congratulations to KD Chadbourne and our website team!!!!

Our website has been certified/recertified by Chi State. Everyone should check out our website!!! It is great!!! I have it bookmarked as a favorite!!!
http://dkgchistateeta.weebly.com

Happy Birthday!

Shirley Black	***November 10***
Marnos Lelesi	***November 17***
Terri Torres	***November 30***
Ann Dewey	***December 5***
Janice Sapien	***December 9***
Cathy Lunnis	***December 9***
Margaret Corpuz	***December 11***
Alison Redfoot	***December 27***

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Legislative update: The following is from the CALSTRS Website

CALSTRS Video: The Road to a Full Funding Plan

> "As you may know, the Governor and the Legislature made CalSTRS' financial security a priority in 2014 by enacting a plan to close the CalSTRS funding gap. This landmark legislation funds the Defined Benefit Program through gradual contribution increases shared by the state, CalSTRS members and their employers. It offers a reasonable and sound approach to fully fund the program over a 32-year period.
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> The importance of this plan cannot be overstated. It took years of overcoming budgetary constraints, educating numerous policymakers and stakeholders, and an overall perseverance to see it come to fruition.
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> This video highlights the tremendous efforts which led to a funding plan."
> https://www.youtube.com/embed/oNC2rvzEpu4?autoplay=1&rel=0
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> Check it out!!!!

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Mission Statement

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

Vision Statement

Key Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

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