# SIGMA NEWS

#### Eta State Region 2 Lenoir County, Kinston, NC

#### Sigma Chapter Meeting



#### Save The Date

## November 29, 2018 Christmas Silent Auction Kinston Community Center,

4:30 Bring items for set-up 4:45-5:15- Silent Auction 5:15-5:30- Light Refreshments and Short Business Meeting (Guests are welcomed) 5:30-6:00-Distribution of auction items and payment

#### (Bring 3 gifts and 1-2 friends)

RSVP to Mary Riddick by November 21st, 2018. mriddick@lenoir.k12.nc.us or 252-526-1146. \*\*Please include number of guests in your rsvp.

<u>February 7, 2019</u> (Afternoon Meeting at a school)- more to come <u>April 4, 2019</u> (Dinner Meeting and Program)



### President's Message

Seasons' Greetings, everyone! It seems like the holidays come more quickly every year, but it certainly is that time of year again. Our biennium has gotten off to a bit of a late start due to our weather situations, but we are so excited about the great things that are happening in Sigma Chapter. Our committees have met and are working efficiently and cooperatively to make our chapter stronger. It is gratifying to see the commitment and passion we are showing for education.

In the midst of your hustle and bustle this season, we hope you will be able to take some time out for our annual Holiday Auction. There was some discussion at our meeting in October about how the event would work, but details have been confirmed, so please see the information in the newsletter. It is highly encouraged for you to bring 1-2 guests to this event, and please bring 3 items to auction off. Remember, this is our fundraiser for the year, so please make plans to attend and please bring friends. In order for our hostess committee to accurately prepare, please respond to Mary Riddick (mriddick@lenoir.k12.nc.us) by November 21 (the day before

#### **Scholarships**

Two Eta State NC Scholarships are available this year. The Doctoral Scholarship will be available for \$4000 and a Master's Scholarship available for \$1000. Check out the Eta State NC website under the Forms tab for the applications, checklist and reference form. Deadline is February 1, 2019. Questions, please contact Michelle Benigno, Scholarship Chair, at mtbteacher@gmail.com.

The NC DKG Educational Foundation is awarding two \$2500 Marilyn F. Grinwis Gray Scholarship Grants this fall. These are awarded int he spring of 2019 from and endowment through Theta Chapter. Available for Music Education or Elementary Education. Must be enrolled in Baccalaureate, Master's or Doctoral Education areas of education. website is www.ncdkgef.org due by November 20, 2018.

Thanksgiving). Please respond if you will be attending or not, and if you are, please also include how many guests you will be bringing. We need an accurate number count by the 21st for our hostess committee. Phone number for responses is 526-1146 if you would prefer to call. We are looking forward to seeing many of you on November 29. Make plans to come spend some time with your Sigma sisters and friends.

Happy Holidays!

Jill & Mary



### Support for Neighboring Educators affected by Florence

Holly Ball, Principal of Trenton
Elementary stated at our meeting in October
that Jones County has had numerous donations
of school supplies. Holly's Elementary School
is now split between three schools until the
new school opens in August 2019. Holly said
that their Library was a total loss and they are
in desperate need of Library books. If anyone
would like to buy or has any gently used
children's books they want to donate, please
bring to our next meeting to help out the
children of Jones County.



<u>International Website:</u> <u>https://www.dkg.org</u>

Eta State NC Website: www.ncdkg.org

#### **Convention Dates 2019**

March 22-23, 2019-Eta State NC Leadership Development Seminar, Caraway Conference Center, Asheboro

Ma<sub>3</sub>-5, 2019 Eta State NC Convention Crowne Plaza, Hickory, Region X

June 27-29, 2019 Southeast International Conference , Crown Plaza Asheville, NC



#### **DKG** International Emergency Fund

Members who sustain major loses from floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, wild fires and other natural disasters can be recommended by their chapter and state organization to receive a \$500 Emergency Fund Award.

Members can donate the DKG Emergency fund and donations are tax deductible and can be made online though the DKG website. Contact <a href="mailto:cps2017eta@gmail.com">cps2017eta@gmail.com</a> for more information.

#### **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to our new 2018-2020 Officers of the Sigma Sigma Chapter that were inducted at our October meeting. They are: Mary Riddick and Jill Croom- Presidents; Wendy Piro-1st Vice President; Stephanie Radford- 2nd Vice President; Secretary-Laura Parks. Also inducted was Jennifer Sutton, Teacher at La Grange Elementary as a new member. Gina Mackey and Nikki Sasser will be inducted at a later date.







**Birthdays and Celebrations!** 

We would like to congratulate Jennifer Sutton for being named La Grange Elementary's Teacher Of the Year, Paula Boldt for being named EB Frink Middle School's Teacher Of the Year, and Katie Keith Mills for the Pre-School's Teacher of the Year!

Shoutout to Christel Carlyle for renewing her National Board Certification!!!

A special recognition to Mary and Al Owens for their upcoming 68th Wedding Anniversary on December 29th!

Kim Hazelgrove has a new granddaughter, Elise Scott Hazelgrove (Ellie) was born, November 7!

#### Birthdays for November and December

November 2-Kim Hazelgrove

December 7- Frances Herring

November 3 - Christel Carlyle

December 28th-Katie Mills

November 10- Wendy Piro

December 30-Ann Laws

November 13- Gina Hill

November 19th-Pat Tunstall

December 5- Sharon Kimrey

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