



FROM A to Z

Alpha Zeta News

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The President's Perspective

Alpha Zeta Sisters,

As we come to the end of our chapter's biennium, we have an opportunity to reflect on where we have been and where we want to go as a chapter. It has really been a time of transition for us. We have lost, through death or relocation, several of our long-time members whose leadership and wisdom we relied upon. Even as we grieve, we have seen that there are those who step up to the plate and begin their faithful service to advance our goals. We realize how every member counts and contributes to the success of our chapter and Delta Kappa Gamma.

Personally, the experience of leading our chapter has helped me to grow and also has given me the opportunity to see the larger picture of DKG as a whole. I was introduced to the work of the Southwest Coordinating Council and the IOTA State organization which reinforced the belief in the good work and accomplishments of our Society.

I have been honored to serve as your president for the past two years and hope to continue serving the members and goals of our organization. Getting to know each of you in deeper ways has enriched my life. I have been fortunate to have had such a wonderful group of women serving as fellow officers and committee chairpersons. Without their help and support, I would never have been able to fulfill my responsibilities. I also want to express appreciation to those past presidents who served as role models and advisors.

I regret that I will not be able to attend our final meeting of the year. I will be hiking for a week in Ireland with another group of wonderful women. I could not pass up the opportunity to fulfill a personal goal. I am certain that the meeting is in good hands.

I remain very truly yours,

Maureen

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May Meeting

May 7, 2016, 10:30 am

JJ's Restaurant and Sports Bar
115 Charwood Drive
Abingdon, Virginia

Birthday Celebration/Founders Day
Installation of New Officers
New Member Initiation—Faith Mabe

Project: Schools for Africa—Money Tree
Hostesses: Gail Gilland and Shirley Snead
Thought for the Day: Mary Sue Smith

Dates to Remember

May 7—Meeting at JJ's Restaurant & Sports Bar, Abingdon. We welcome IOTA State 1st Vice President Vicki Newburn as our special guest

June 24-16—Leadership Academy, Randolph-Macon College

July 5-9—International Convention, Nashville, Tennessee

September 23-24—Fall Executive Board, Fredericksburg

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW ALPHA ZETA OFFICERS FOR THE 2016-2018 BIENNIUM

Elected:

President	Sara Ellis
First Vice-President	Kathy Musick
Second Vice-President	Cindy Brewer
Recording Secretary	Gail Gilland
Corresponding Secretary	Dana Rasnick

Appointed:

Treasurer	Judy Young
Parliamentarian	Mary Sue Smith

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



Alpha Zeta was well represented by these 10 members at the Leadership Development Seminar in Wytheville



Mary Sue Smith receives her 25-year certificate from Mary Mehaffey, IOTA State 2nd Vice President

Cina Adams has also been awarded her 25-year certificate and Joan Austin has been awarded her 40-year certificate. Congratulations to these outstanding women educators!



Committee Corner

Virginia Scholars

The recipient of the 2015-2016 Virginia Scholars Award for Alpha Zeta Chapter is Shelby Carico. Carol Propst presented Ms. Carico with the award on Sunday, April 10th as part of the Awards Day Ceremony at Emory & Henry College.

Ms. Carico is from Norton, Virginia and will graduate from Emory & Henry in May with a GPA over 3.8. She completed her student teaching in performance music education under the supervision of an area high school band director. She has accepted a graduate assistant position at Ohio University where she will be earning a Master of Music degree in Trumpet Performance.

Ms. Carico intends to pursue a career in music education and performance.

