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Dates to Remember

March 1

- Chapter Achievement, Golden Key, Rising Star, and Beginning Teacher Awards nominations due
- Newsletter Excellence, Website Excellence and Communications Excellence Awards requirements due

March 15

 Convention Ad and Vendor forms deadline

April 1

Postmarks deadline for mailed convention registration

April 10

Convention Early Bird Registration deadline

April 29-May 1

NC DKG Convention
 Crowne Plaza Resort - Asheville

April 30

 Dissertation Recognition due to International

May 1

- NC DKG News summer issue deadline
- Cornetet Individual PD Awards applications due

May 11

DKG Founders Day

May 15

- New Chapter Officers Report due
- · Bulletin: Journal submissions due

June 30

 Deadline for 2022-2023 Member dues to chapter treasurer

July 12-16

 2022 International Convention Sheraton New Orleans, LA

International Representative to the 2022 NC DKG Convention

DKG President Rebecca "Becky" Sadowski will be the International Society Representative at the 2022 NC DKG Convention in Ashevillle. President Sadowski has participated in numerous personal and professional growth opportunities during her 32 years as a DKG member.

Her career includes serving as a classroom teacher, a reading specialist, a Lead Teacher for the Memphis City Schools, an Adjunct Professor at the University of Memphis, and a Special Education Specialist and Educational Consultant for Shelby County Schools, as well as Head of the School of Education at Lambuth University. Sadowski has served as the President of the



Tennessee Association for the Gifted and was a keynote presenter at the Tennessee Legal Education Conference on Special Education. She received the Jo Patterson Award in Gifted Education in Tennessee in 1996.

Married to her college sweetheart for 52 years, Sadowski has two grown children and enjoys spending as much time as possible with her four granddaughters. She is active in her church as well as in her community.

During the convention, Sadowski will participate in the MANNA Food-Bank volunteer event. She will hold an informal question and answer session during lunch on Saturday and will present the keynote address at the Banquet Honoring Presidents. Welcome, President Becky!

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Linking the Past, Present, and Future



DKG Purpose III:

To advance the professional interest and position of women in education

While, when we read this today, it might seem unimportant, remember this Purpose—to advance the professional interest and position of women in education—was written in 1929-1930. Women as professionals were almost a "no-no"; once an educator married, they were expected to resign. Being pregnant was definitely a "be a good wife and mom at home" moment. DKG was there to encourage women to continue their education and move up in the educational world.

Still, many women need that push to move up, step out of their comfort zone, and continue their education or apply for a job at a higher level. DKG, NC DKG, and the NC DKG Educational Foundation offer scholarships to help with those moments. Take advantage of those opportunities and encourage others.

Above all else, be a positive voice for those who express those desires to you. They need a cheerleader on their team.

Beth Winstead
NC DKG President

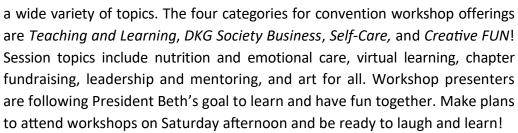


Convention Workshops Full of Information, Fun, and Surprises!

NC DKG Second Vice President

Tammy Cullom, Convention Workshop Chair

Be prepared to learn and have fun when you attend the NC DKG Convention April 29-May 1, 2022! Numerous workshops are scheduled with





2021-2023 NC DKG Executive Committee

President Beth Winstead

First Vice President Hilda Parlér

Second Vice President
Tammy Cullom

Recording Secretary
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Dr. Teresa Holt Cowan

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Parliamentarian Betty Marshall

Click a name to send a message.

Please insert NC DKG in the subject line when sending an email to state officers.

DKG Vision Statement

Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education
Worldwide



DKG Mission Statement

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

Linking the Past, Present and Future... Together Again

2022 NC DKG Convention

Are You Ready for Convention?

An invitation from Connie Savell, Convention Chair

The 2022 NC DKG Convention is just around the corner. This convention is unique since it will be the first inperson meeting since COVID changed our world. Excitement is building because we all want to be together in Asheville, April 29-May 1, 2022.

The "puzzle pieces" of organizing the state convention are slipping into place. The schedule for regions to host the convention was interrupted due to the pandemic, so everyone is invited to share a little bit of their time during this event. Members from across the state have agreed to serve as team leaders. These leaders will be contacting those who volunteer to help with various tasks. Members may volunteer on either the Google form for volunteers or the convention registration form.

Bonnie Golden **On-site Registration**

Elaine McRae Hospitality

Tobey Worthington Volunteer Coordinator

Lisa Frissen **Technology Team Coordinator**

Asheville is waiting, so here are the steps to be ready for the convention:

- First, decide if attending the convention is right for you and your family in 2022. We understand everyone's situation is different.
- Second, register and choose an area to volunteer on your Google registration form.
- Third, reserve your room at the Crowne Plaza Resort.
- Fourth, preview the Schedule at a Glance

Come to Asheville to participate in the business of the Society. Attend the general sessions and workshops, gather and enjoy fellowship around the convention puzzle, network in the hospitality room, and spend time with your friends – old and new. Pack your bags and join us in Asheville for a weekend of fun!

Convention Registration

Have you registered? It's not too late!

An interactive registration form can be found on the NC DKG website:

Registration Form

See the form for payment options.

Early Registration Ends April 10, 2022

Mailed payment must be postmarked by April 1, 2022.

2022 Convention **Program Ads**

Time is running out!

Honor or remember members, share chapter projects, celebrate milestones with a convention ad.

Chapters or members submitting an ad will receive a complimentary program book.

Submit your ad now! **Ad Form & Instructions**

Deadline: March 15, 2022

Vendor/Exhibit Table

All members or chapters requesting tables for the convention marketplace must submit a vendor request form. Payment can be made by credit card or by check.

Forms are available on the NC DKG website:

Vendor Form

Check payment—mail to Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon at the address on the form.

Deadline: March 15, 2022

In Memoriam - White Roses -		
Name	Chapter	Date of Death
Angelyn R. Wethington	Beta Beta	July 10, 2021
Katherine R. Carter	Lambda	August 10, 2021
Carolyn Steele	Gamma Upsilon	October 11, 2021
Jessie V. Stewart	Alpha Theta	October 18, 2021
Carol M. Summerlin	Alpha Delta	October 18, 2021
Esther L. Irby	Delta Beta	October 19, 2021
Arbie C. Rhodes	Alpha Phi	October 31, 2021
Mary Ann Troutman	Gamma Phi	November 4, 2021
Betty R. Penny	Mu	November 22, 2021
Florine V. Joyner	Mu	December 2, 2021
Penny T. Cowan	Beta Upsilon	January 2, 2022
E. Susie Miller	Gamma Delta	January 3, 2022
Dell C. Johnson	Zeta	January 13, 2022

We celebrate the lives of these Society members whose deaths have been reported to 2022 NC DKG Membership Chair Dr. Susan Blackburn between November 2, 2021 and February 1, 2022.

Reporting the Death of a Member

Chapter presidents are reminded to *report the death of a member immediately* to NC DKG and to DKG International. An interactive Form 6 can be found at www.dkg.org under Forms/ Membership. Complete Form 6 online and email or mail a copy to all of the following:

- DKG Membership Director
- NC DKG Treasurer Leslie Black
- NC DKG Membership Chair <u>Dr. Susan Blackburn</u>
- NC DKG President Beth Winstead

Click a name to send an email or check the Leadership Directory on the NC DKG website for mailing addresses. Click the Leadership tab on the homepage, scroll to the bottom and click Full Directory. Check with your chapter president for the password or contact <u>Carol Bostian</u>.

Chapter *New*Officer Report Due



NC DKG President

Beth Winstead

NC DKG chapters are electing and installing new officers for the 2022-2024 biennium. Chapters are reminded to send your *new chapter* officer information by May 15, 2022 to:

- ~ NC DKG President Beth Winstead
- ~ DKG Society Headquarters

An interactive Form 110 can be found on the DKG website. Login to download the form. Then complete the information and <u>save</u> to your computer.

Form 110 - Chapter Officers Report Form

Instructions for emailing or mailing Form 110 are included at the top of the document.

If your chapter has a new treasurer, be sure to complete and submit Form 87 to:

- ~ NC DKG Treasurer Leslie Black
- ~ DKG <u>Society Headquarters</u>

Due Date: May 15, 2022



2022 New Chapter Leader Training

New chapter leaders for the 2022-2024 biennium should attend the summer New Leader Training. This event includes information for presidents, treasurers, membership chairs, and educational excellence chairs.

The 2022 summer New Leader Training will be a virtual event held on **Saturday**, **June 18**, **2022**. It is extremely important that new leaders plan to attend the training. Watch *NC Data* and your email for more details and the registration form.





Finance Reminders for Chapters

NC DKG Treasurer Leslie Black

NC DKG Treasurer Leslie Black has a few things for chapters to remember as we enter the second half of the DKG year.

- New members added between January 1 through March 1 pay one-half dues except for scholarship and inductee fees.
 - NC DKG Active \$7.50
 - NC DKG Collegiate \$2.50
 - NC DKG Reserve \$1.00
 - Scholarship Fee \$1.00 (this is not half)
 - Inductee Fee \$10.00 (\$2.50 to NC DKG; \$7.50 kept by chapter)
- Donations to NC DKG Headquarters should be paid as soon as possible.
- NC DKG Scholarship Fund and Pauline Longest Leadership Fund contributions should be sent to the NC DKG Educational Foundation, attention Betty Marshall, treasurer.
- 2022-2023 member dues must be submitted to chapter treasurers no later than June 30, 2022.



Attention! Amendment Proposals Coming Soon

Rules Committee Diane Pina, Chair

The Rules Committee received one proposed amendment to the NC Standing Rules that will be



posted on the NC DKG website and emailed to chapter presidents and editors by March 18, 2022. *Chapter presidents, forward the proposal to your members.* All members should read and prepare to discuss the proposal during the Executive Board Meeting and the Second General Meeting at the 2022 NC DKG Convention in Asheville.

Review Chapter Program and Project Ideas

EEC Circle

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NC DKG First Vice President & EEC Chair Hilda A. Parlér

As the new spring season approaches, it seems only fitting to reflect on all areas of our lives as we strive for a revitalization of family, career, and NC DKG matters. We continue to weather the "storm" of one of the most poignant challenges of our lives and that numerous members have survived. The NC DKG EEC commends the Leadership Development Committee for its monthly articles in the NC Data to keep us abreast of many leadership opportunities for members. As a reminder of programs and project ideas, review the DKG EEC ideas and plan implementation. There are so many it will take years to implement them all. Create a calendar at the start of your first meeting, and they will already be set for biennia to come. Sharing ideas is the key to using our precious time, and DKG does its part to simplify our lives, knowing that members have many other responsibilities. As the past is always really in our present, the future can be made a reality.

COMMISSION

Strategic Plans Guide Chapter Activities





The NC DKG Planning Committee has been hard at work for you. The committee met several times via Zoom to set goals for the biennium and compare the NC DKG Strategic Plan to the DKG Strategic Plan. The committee recommends some changes to the NC plan by adding some action items that clarify the initiatives under the five major goals. Voting on the draft changes will be done at the convention. The Planning Committee will offer an interactive workshop at the convention to help chapters realize how easily the Strategic Plan can be used to guide their chapter's future activities. We hope you will join us at the NC DKG Convention in Asheville – come to our workshop and learn to be *strategic*.



Help NC DKG Update Email Distribution Lists

NC DKG chapters will soon be installing new presidents and

selecting editors, treasurers, and webmasters for the 2022-2024 biennium. The NC DKG President, Executive Secretary, editors, and webmaster need up-to-date contact information for these positions.

Rather than asking chapters to send this contact information to multiple leaders, you only need to submit the name, email address, and phone number for each position one time. Complete the 2022-2024 Chapter Contacts Form (link below) and you are all done! Thanks for helping the state leaders to keep in touch with all chapters.

2022-2024 Chapter Contacts Form

Due Date: June 1, 2022



DKG News Available Online

The DKG International newsletter, *DKG News*, is now an "online only" publication. Sign in on www.dkg.org. Then you can read the January/February 2022 issue 79-1 here.

Sign in on www.dkg.org Click to download The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin International Journal for Professional Educators DKG Bulletin: Journal Vol. 88-3 **Educator's Choice** DKG Bulletin: Collegial Exchange DKG Bulletin: Collegial Exchange Leaving a Legacy in DKG Vol. 88-2 and Beyond Get Connected! Get Connected! newsletter January/February 2022

What's Your Leadership Approach?

The NC DKG

Leader

Leadership Development Committee *By the Leadership Development Committee*

Do you know you have a unique "leadership approach"? As we think about the "NC DKG, Leader In Me," it is

helpful to know that you have a developed set of skills or a particular perspective. You may take comfort in managing day-to-day challenges, leading change, working through problems, and arriving at a decision using your unique approach.

Let's look at the four elements of just about any task you will tackle as a leader and see if you can detect where your particular leadership strengths lie.

Supporting - Do you enjoy thinking about how to create a team? Do you love getting to know your colleagues and assigning tasks that you know will float their boat? Are you the peacemaker in groups?

Strategizing - Do you have a knack for researching? Do you love to organize information and present it effectively? Do you look up to the stars and ponder the big philosophical questions of life?

Commanding - Are you cool as a cucumber in a crisis situation? Do you enjoy creating a to-do list and checking it off? Do people know they can count on you to get a job done?

Promoting – Does your team look to you to speak up for their ideas? Do you have a facility with words? Do you enjoy a friendly competition to push for results?

Leadership and Development Committee member Nancy Cox, Beta lota, has shared the talent assessment tool, Clifton Strengths, with many NC DKG members. Are you interested in learning more about your leadership approach and strengths? Attend our workshop at the convention. While you don't need to do the evaluation to benefit fully from the workshop, you can visit the Gallup site to take the assessment. You'll receive a plethora of helpful resources and have lifetime access to your personal dashboard with daily inspiration to support you in applying your strengths.

We all benefit from knowing how we contribute to DKG through our unique leadership approach—continue to discover the "DKG Leader In Me."



Kappa Turns 80!

Kappa Member

Candace Armstrong

Members of **Kappa Chapter** (*Region VIII, Mecklenburg*) and guests gathered on December 11, 2021, to celebrate the chapter's 80th birthday as the first DKG chapter in the Charlotte area. Kappa Milestone Members, including Clara Hedberg-43 years, Julia O'Reilly-48 years, and Ann McCain-39 years, were honored for almost 130 years total membership in DKG. These educators were cited in a greeting from Governor Roy Cooper for their dedication to educating children.

Co-presidents Gloria Jones and Jeannette Carafano welcomed special guests, including members of the local school board; Janie Webb, Director of Region VIII; and first-year teachers mentored by members at Albemarle Road Elementary School. Attendees heard a theme of hope through praise for Kappa's past, current efforts to support CROP Walk, continuing to create a sense of belonging, using social media for marketing, and advocating for public support of education.



Milestone Members pictured left to right: Clara Hedberg-43 years, Julia O'Reilly-48 years, Debbie Dryden, awarding recognition pins; and Ann McCain-39 years

Save the Date

NC DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting September 24, 2022

Greensboro Airport Embassy Suites

Mark your calendar for this in-person meeting

Details and registration form will be available in

NC Data and in the summer NC DKG News

Theta Presents Educator Grants

Theta Member

Gretchen Simmons

Theta Chapter (*Region IV, Brunswick, New Hanover, Pender*) is pleased to announce the 2021 winners of our educator grants. The \$500 grants were established in 2019 and are available to teachers in New Hanover and Pender counties. In 2021, the four grants were awarded to teachers in New Hanover County Schools.

Lizette Day, a specialist at Carolina Beach Elementary School, will work with kindergarten teachers and students at three schools, where she will introduce Coding Concepts to the teachers and students. Haley Miles, a first-grade teacher at Bradley Creek Elementary School, will purchase High Noon Books that are phonics-based literature with high-interest topics. She will engage her students with these books using decoding skills to build reading confidence. The fourth-grade team at Carolina Beach Elementary School, including Melinda Durant, science and social studies teacher; Tracy Tugwell, math teacher; and Carrie Boos, reading teacher, will incorporate computational thinking and coding into the core content areas using Sphero the Mini Robot. Mary Porter, a third-grade teacher at Pine Valley Elementary School, will purchase four sets of informational books that have various reading levels. These books will allow Porter to meet the needs of her students in her guided reading groups.

In spring 2022, the educator grant winners will attend Theta's Founders' Day meeting and report on their progress with the projects.

Conference & Convention Dates

2022

Apr. 29-May 1 NC DKG Convention

Crowne Plaza Resort - Asheville, NC

Jul. 12-16 2022 International Convention

New Orleans, LA

2023

Apr. 28-30 NC DKG Convention

Greenville, NC





Gamma Pi Celebrates the Holidays

Gamma Pi Editor Robin Tomasino

Gamma Pi (Region VIII, Cabarrus) had a busy fall and winter. A new member was inducted, and several members attended a holiday gathering at the Eastern Cabarrus Historical Society. The docent shared vignettes and stories about the previous lives of the Historical Society building and his family connections. The tour was very interesting, and the company was enjoyable.



Gamma Pi members pictured left to right: Robin Tomasino, Jane Pegram, Beth Smithson, Joan Sells, Cheryl Brandon, Lil Burton, and Janice Beam

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News from the NC DKG



Educational Foundation

NCDKGEF Board Vice Chair Sharon Frazier

The NC DKG Educational Foundation Board would like to encourage all members to attend the 2022 NC DKG Convention in Asheville. And, don't miss the Foundation Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 30, 8:30 a.m. Learn how your Foundation is growing: adding new endowments, funding grants for classroom projects, supporting professional development, and continuing education opportunities. Hear about The Oak Society and how your contributions will touch future generations. Look for a Saturday afternoon workshop session by the Foundation Legacy Committee to learn more about leaving a legacy. Visit the Foundation vendor table for information about grants, scholarships, donations, and a little Foundation Fun! See you there!

COMMISSION

THREE NC DKG MEMBERS PUBLISHED IN DKG BULLETIN: COLLEGIAL EXCHANGE

Articles by three NC DKG members were selected for inclusion in the 2021 Volume 88-2 issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: Collegial Exchange*.

Lori Holguin, Delta Chi (*Region IX*, *Wilkes*), contributed an article titled "The 'Reluctant' Leader." The article is found on pages 20-22.





An article by **Gloria Jones,** Kappa (*Region XIII, Mecklenburg*), titled "Keeping the Dream Alive - A Chapter Project" is located on pages 26-27.

Helen Smaw, Alpha Psi (*Region II*, *Craven & Pamlico*), contributed a poem titled "Engaging O Delta Kappa Gamma" found on page 31.



NC DKG Member News

Gamma Zeta

(Region II, Carteret)

Gamma Zeta member **Sharon Harker** won her bid for Mayor of Beaufort with 74.57% of the votes.



As Beaufort's first African American mayor, she views her victory as "a historical moment in the town's 308-year-old history . . . that should not be taken lightly." Beaufort's new mayor plans to continue making strides in environmental protection and growth while implementing some of her innovative ideas for revitalizing the historic town she calls home.



Delta Mu (*Region IV, Sampson, Wayne, & Harnett*)



Vicky Cogdell, exceptional children's teacher, was voted 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year at Hobbton Middle School. Cogdell writes: "I chose to teach because I love children and thought that I could make a positive difference

in their lives. My desire is to help lift students with special needs through educating them to become more capable citizens. Enjoyment and fulfillment are the feelings I get when my students get it."

Dr. Rue Lee-Holmes wrote Chapter 9, "Musical Creativity, Mobile Technology, and Middle School" in the edited book, *Creative Music Making at Your Fingertips: A Mobile Technology Guide for Music Educators* by Gena R. Greher and



Suzanne L. Burton. The book offers a pedagogical framework for using mobile devices in the music classroom. Lee-Holmes' chapter is written from her perspective as a middle school music teacher who uses mobile technology to teach the music curriculum to her students.

Welcome New NC DKG Inductees

Theta Alpha Phi
Kathryn Batten Tena Cole
Caitlin Fortier Susan Robinson
Tonia McKoy

Drew Pate

Nakita Thomas

Shirley Womble

Mary Pharr

Cherie Taylor

Sigma Andrienne Whitaker Margaret Atkinson

Trena Bomig

Nancy Gilmore

Mari Hatcher

Ashley Ledford

Kathryn Suddreth

Gamma Upsilon

Holly Egan

Sarah Justice

Caitlyn Murray

Cassandra Smatana

Alpha Upsilon Delta Rho
Devin Wilson Mamie Beane

Names and chapters of all newly inducted members will be published in the issue immediately following receipt of the new member's induction fees by the NC DKG Treasurer.

lota (Region II, Wayne)

Dr. Patricia Pfeiffer was recently named president of Wayne Community College by the WCC Board of Trustees. She began the position on January 1, 2022. Pfeiffer,



a member of lota Chapter for almost eight years, has served as treasurer. She is a military veteran who served the United States Army as a parachute rigger and airborne paratrooper for six years. Dr. Pfeiffer says, "It is surreal to think that I have the opportunity to lead the very institution that started my career in nursing and education after serving our great nation."

Summer *NC DKG News* deadline
May 1, 2022
Send articles to editor <u>Carol Bostian</u>

DKG International at Work



The July 2022 DKG Convention in New Orleans will include something for everyone—general meetings to conduct Society business, inspirational speakers, breakout and takeaway sessions, social time, the Celebration of Life ceremony, and time for exploring the city. Here are some important things to know:

- The Sheraton New Orleans is the convention hotel.
 Online <u>hotel reservations</u> can be made *now* the link takes you directly to the DKG Convention reservation page.
- The DKG Convention <u>online registration</u> is open.
 Early bird registration ends June 12.
- The <u>convention schedule</u> is available on the DKG website.
- Vendor and Exhibitor Applications are due April 15, 2022.
- Apply to display in the Member Art Gallery, signup to participate in the convention chorus, or submit information for doctoral recognition on the convention Forms page.

Read more about the convention speakers, 2022-2024 DKG officer nominees, and more in the <u>January/</u>February *DKG News*.

NC DKG members attending the DKG International Convention in New Orleans are asked to send their names to NC DKG Executive Secretary <u>Elizabeth Miars</u> so that she can plan for an NC evening of fellowship.

NOTICES:

Send address and email changes

IMMEDIATELY

to your chapter treasurer and to DKG International Office.

Log in to www.dkg.org

to change your personal information.

Don't miss a single DKG publication!

DKGIEF Envelope Campaign



Did you find an envelope inside the most recent issue of the *DKG Bulletin: Collegial Exchange*? That special packet is part of the DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF) second annual Envelope Campaign. The envelope is a reminder to contribute to any of the following opportunities:

Cornetet Award
Educational Projects
Educators Award Fund
Emergency Fund
Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund
Golden Gift Fund
International Speakers Fund
Scholarship Fund
World Fellowship Fund
Area of Greatest Need

Members may use the form attached to the envelope to mail a donation or visit the <u>DKGIEF webpage</u> and make an online gift to the area of choice. Your contributions will help DKGIEF to advance its mission—"Giving to educate the world."

Applications for International Appointments Now Available



Now is a great time to consider expanding your involvement in DKG through service at the international level. Applications for appointments to International committees, the Arts and Humanities Jury, and the Editorial Board are now available on the DKG website. All applications are Google forms that can be found under Apply/Submit → Applications. You must be logged in to access the applications.

All DKG members—key women educators—have leadership skills. Reflect on your talents and apply today! Remember, you do not need to be a past state president or officer to apply.

Deadline for all forms: May 1, 2022