

Dates to Remember



Aug. 15-Sept. 15

- DKG Art Gallery submission window open

September 16

- Deadline to register for NC DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting

September 24

- NC DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting - Greensboro

September 30

- NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants applications due
- Deadline to enter dues to avoid members being dropped

October 1

- *Bulletin: Journal* submissions due

October 8

- NCDKGEF golf tournament

October 27

- NC DKG Founders Day

October 31

- Form 72 - Website Compliance renewal due

November 1

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

November 15

- 990-N ePostcard due to IRS
- Nominations due for 2023-2025 NC DKG state officers

December 1

- Deadline to submit proposed changes to NC DKG Bylaws or Standing Rules

December 15

- Chapter directory due to regional director
- *Bulletin: Collegial Exchange* submissions due

Highlights from the 2022 DKG Convention

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society welcomed approximately 900 members from 17 countries to the 2022 DKG International Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, July 12-16, 2022. The convention opened with an inspiring presentation of each member country's flag. DKG President Becky Sadowski called the convention to order and welcomed attendees. She then introduced Ted Pennison from New Orleans & Company, who surprised attendees by sponsoring a DKG Second Line Parade complete with a marching band. The parade wound through the streets of New Orleans and ended at the Sazerac House event, where members enjoyed a tour, beverage tasting, and hors d'oeuvres.

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NC DKG members attending the 2022 DKG Convention
1st row: Linda Jobe, Patricia Gardner, Dr. Mary Cauley, Dr. Judith Carlson, Connie Savell
2nd row: Mary Pickett, Angela Kern, Sheila Groves, Veda McNair, Elaine McRae
3rd row: Dr. Barbara Day, Dr. Teresa Cowan, Susan Kuenzel, Myra Aderholt, Dr. Sylvia Alston
4th row: Patricia Pemberton, Debra Groce, Carol Bostian, Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon, Leslie Black
5th row: Christine Smith, Dr. Rhonda Hager, Elizabeth Miers, Beth Winstead, Tobey Worthington

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Linking the Past, Present and Future



DKG Purpose V:

To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators

This summer I was privileged to attend DKG Ignite 2022: Leaders Empowering Leaders. In talking about recruiting and keeping members in any organization, one speaker said you must remember *WIIFT*—



What's In It For Them? If we consider what's in it for each member, Purpose V is a great recruitment and retention tool to use to share some benefits of membership. Delta Kappa Gamma offers scholarships and grants on the state and international level. Our own North Carolina Educational Foundation has several opportunities for members and nonmembers. Many chapters also offer opportunities for grants and funding.

Make sure all of your members and prospective members recognize this valuable benefit from DKG.

On a side note – I wish each of you could have been there the morning Carol Bostian was announced as the North Carolina Star of the Southeast. She was positioned right in front of the podium, poised to take the recipient's picture. The surprise on her face was evident. I am grateful to Dr. Teresa Cowan for taking the camera from Carol and to Susan Kuenzel for also taking some photos. It is always so rewarding to honor such a dedicated NC DKG member.

Congratulations also go to our very own Dr. Teresa Cowan for being elected as the 2022-2024 Southeast Regional Director. I look forward to working with her along with the other Southeast Region presidents.

Beth Winstead

NC DKG President

2021-2023 NC DKG Executive Committee

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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.

NC DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting September 24, 2022

Greensboro Airport Embassy Suites
204 Centrepoint Drive, Greensboro

The NC DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting on September 24, 2022, is for state officers, related personnel, state committee chairs, regional directors, past state presidents and all chapter presidents. [Registration](#) deadline is **September 16**.

The agenda for the board meeting includes reports, introduction of the ROSE Award, the application for *NC DKG News* editor, and meeting with regional directors.

The [registration form](#) is online. Remember, luncheon payment (\$25) must be received by September 21. Address registration questions to NC DKG Treasurer [Leslie Black](#).

Highlights from the 2022 DKG Convention

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Twenty-five members from North Carolina gathered with NC DKG President Beth Winstead as delegates met for the business sessions. The general meetings included inspirations offered by members of DKGNext, information on the DKG website redesign presented by Dr. Teresa Cowan and Dr. Judy Merz, and voting on the 120 proposed amendments to



Ready for Society business
Front: Dr. Barbara Day and
NC DKG President Beth Winstead
Back: Elizabeth Miars and
Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon

the International *Constitution and Standing Rules*. Doctoral graduates, including NC DKG members Dr. Shawn Clemons (*Nu*), Dr. Michelle Tuck Thomas (*Beta Kappa*), and Dr. Patricia Fecher (*Gamma Kappa*), were recognized with the presentation of their cords.

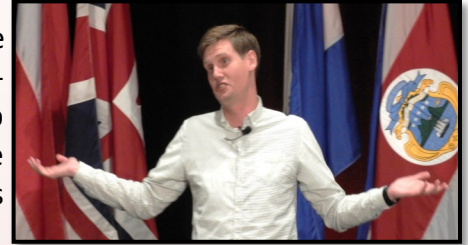
During the five-day convention, members heard

two keynote speakers. Courtney Clark, the “luckiest unlucky person in the world,” shared her story of adaptability, resilience, and revisionary thinking after suffering a series of major life challenges. She helped members realize that detours are part of life, especially when life doesn’t go the way we plan. Clark is a business owner, author, and world-wide speaker.



Ingvi Ómarsson, an acclaimed educator, entrepreneur, and speaker from Iceland, presented five guiding principles for education. 1. Success cannot always be measured with a #2 pencil. 2. Collaboration is key. 3. Students learn by doing. 4. To be intelligent is to

be creative. 5. The purpose of education is to help us become more *human* and less like machines.



Ómarsson currently works for Iceland’s Ministry of Education.

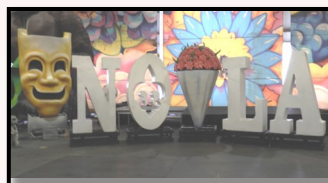
More than 60 breakout sessions were presented with opportunities for professional development, personal growth, expanding networking groups, and renewing friendships. Short 20-minute Takeaways were informal discussions on a variety of topics. NC DKG presenters included Dr. Angela Kern (Soul Scribbles), Dr. Teresa Cowan (Communications & Marketing), Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon (Editorial Board), Connie Savell (Membership), and Carol Bostian (Fine Arts Gallery). As a Membership Committee member, Connie was also part of the Celebration of Life ceremony.

Many members also participated in the DKGIEF event at Mardi Gras World, where floats are created, refurbished, and stored.



The convention closed with the installation of the 2022-2024 DKG officers. President Sadowski presented the president’s gavel to incoming president Dr. Debra “Debbie” LeBlanc, and the past president’s pin was given to Rebecca “Becky” Sadowski by Immediate Past President Cathy Daugherty. The evening ended with members enjoying fellowship during the DKG Society Reception and Dinner.

After waiting four years to come together to conduct Society business, members in New Orleans celebrated what it means to be “Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.”



North Carolina Star of the Southeast

NC DKG President 2021-2023

Beth Winstead

NC DKG recognized Carol Bostian as our 2022 Star of the Southeast during the DKG Convention in New Orleans. The Star of the Southeast is an award presented by each president in the Southeast Region at the International Convention. The president and other elected officers select a member who has given distinguished service to her chapter, state organization, and community; who often serves behind the scenes rather than in the spotlight; and who has not served on the International Executive Board or on an international committee.

Bostian (*Region X, Nu*) has served as editor of *NC DKG News* for five years and displays a dedication to NC DKG and DKG International. While serving as the *NC DKG News* editor, she has created an electronic newsletter that can be viewed as a flip book, a color issue, and a black and white printable issue that chapters can mail in a standard envelope without additional postage. Carol is often found behind the camera documenting state events and meetings as well as photos of new officers, committee chairs, and award winners. In fact, when her name was announced as the recipient of the NC Star of the Southeast, she had very quietly taken up position right in front of the podium to capture the moment with the recipient. President Beth said, "I wish I had a picture of Carol's face when she realized she was the awardee." Carol has also been responsible for creating the NC DKG Convention program book and coordinating with the Membership Committee on the programs for the Ceremony of Remembrance. She has a "never say no" attitude when asked to pitch in or help with anything, whether creating workshops on communications, moving the furniture for meetings, or creating a slide template for a state officer.

Our Star volunteers twice weekly, maintains the shopper's database, and serves on the Board for Classroom Connections, a free teacher-resource store in Hickory. She serves on the Board of Directors for her church preschool. She also wrote the church faith formation lessons for grades K-5 and coordinated the Sunday morning faith education program for more than ten years.

A member of DKG since 2000, our Star served two terms as chapter president and is currently serving as chapter newsletter editor, webmaster, and membership chair. In 2015, she received NC's Golden Key Award. She has presented at numerous state conventions, attended international events, and served as communications chair for the 2019 DKG Conference in Asheville.

Congratulations to the 2022 NC DKG Star of the Southeast—Carol Bostian!



Coming Soon! DKG Website Redesign—User Focused, User Friendly

The current DKG websites, member and nonmember, were developed in 2014. Slight changes were made in 2017. However, the DKG Communications and Marketing Committee has heard members' frustration about navigating the website. This concern was brought to CTOG—a group that includes tech professionals at Headquarters and several members who are critically concerned with communication, including the president, executive director, administrators, Communications and Marketing chair, and Society editor.

Two key concepts drove the website redesign decisions of CTOG. The first key principle is "User Focused" - *who* is visiting the website, and *why* are they coming? The second key principle is "User Friendly" - a logical progression of topics and only four to five clicks to get to the needed information. The redesigned member site will include seven key tabs, and the nonmember site will have six key tabs.

Members are encouraged to preview the site maps and the location of topics on the redesigned site. A link to the [website redesign](#) information is available under the rotator on the DKG homepage. A [feedback form](#) is available by scrolling to the bottom of the website redesign page. CTOG is continuing to request feedback before the site debuts in late fall.

Questions?

Contact [Dr. Teresa Cowan](#), 2020-2022 Communications & Marketing chair, or [Dr. Judy Merz](#), *DKG Bulletin* editor.



NC DKG President Beth Winstead (R) presents pin to Carol Bostian (L)

Website Redesign Coming Soon! Take a look at the upcoming layout designed around the key factor - USER FOCUSED USER FRIENDLY



In Memoriam - White Roses -

| Name | Chapter | Date of Death |
|---------------------|---------|----------------|
| Claudia A. Edmiston | Gamma | March 14, 2022 |

We celebrate the life of this Society member whose death was reported to NC DKG Membership Chair Dr. Susan Blackburn between May 2, 2022, and August 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 send a copy to all of the following:

- DKG [Membership Director](#)
- NC DKG Treasurer [Leslie Black](#)
- NC DKG Membership Chair [Dr. Susan Blackburn](#)
- 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 [Carol Bostian](#).

Convention Memories from a NewBee

Delta Rho Member

Debra Groce

Ten years ago, when I turned 50, I decided to be more adventurous, step outside my comfort zone, and seize opportunities that came my way. Attending the 2022 DKG International Convention was one such venture.

As a NewBEE, a term for all first-timers, I was honored to see my name scrolling down the screen with 199 other women who bore this title. Gazing into the ballroom where we gathered, I saw women milling about chatting, seeking friends unseen since the pandemic, rekindling enduring friendships. I was moved as I witnessed their sweet reunions. Taking in the scene, I felt welcome and knew I, too, would make friends I would look forward to seeing in the future.

From the insightful speakers and animated amendment conversations to the informative breakout sessions, after-hours excursions (including our very own second line parade), fantastic fellowship, and delicious food, the convention atmosphere was energetic and exciting.

Reading, hearing, and learning about the scope of DKG is important, and I did that. Being in New Orleans and seeing the presentation of flags representing the over 900 women in attendance and membership unable to attend was truly affirming. I was reminded of the bigger picture—how Delta Rho fits into it and how what I do, what we do, at the local level, impacts the state and international levels. I was reminded that I am a part of something very special, and I was honored to be in attendance.

Conventions of any kind can be long and are always tiring, but I am glad I attended. The camaraderie and kindness extended by everyone I met were genuine and heartwarming. I was impressed with our leadership and look forward to the future of DKG. The next international events will be held in July 2023—Finland, Phoenix, or Detroit, anyone?

Website Compliance Forms Due



Does your chapter have a website that is linked to the DKG and NC DKG sites? Website compliance renewal is mandatory at the beginning of every biennium. The window for completing [Form 72](#) (Society Website Compliance Assurance) is open from August 1, 2022, through October 31, 2022. For websites being linked for the first time, the compliance form may be completed at any time.

First, chapter webmasters need to review their websites to be sure that all information is correct and up-to-date. Then complete Form 72, which is available on the international website. Go to the Forms tab → [Website](#) once logged in to the DKG site.

Upon completing the online form, International will send the new 2022-2024 Compliance Seal, usually within two weeks. This seal will *replace* the 2020-2022 seal.

Questions?

Contact [Deb Christensen](#), NC DKG webmaster

Compliance Deadline: October 31, 2022



Delta Rho members
Patricia Pemberton (L) and
NewBee Debra Groce (R)

NC DKG Leaders - Links to the Future

Nominations Committee

Evelyn Hall, Chair



The Nominations Committee is accepting nomination forms for NC DKG President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Secretary for the 2023-2025 biennium. Consider nominating NC DKG women who are leading the way and making positive contributions to their chapters and regions.

The Nomination Form is divided into three sections, each requiring completion before moving to the next.

Section 1: Name of chapter/individual making the nomination and basic information about nominee

Section 2: Nominee's Delta Kappa Gamma experiences and service

Section 3: Other service, qualifications, and experiences of the nominee, including a brief (200-word maximum) statement highlighting the nominee's strengths, accomplishments, and why you are recommending her for elected office, along with a recent photo upload of nominee

The Google Form link for the Nomination Form can be found at www.ncdkg.org/Forms. Contact Nominations Chair [Evelyn Hall](#) with questions. Happy nominating!

Submission deadline: November 15, 2022.



Attention!

Amendment Proposals Due Soon

Rules Committee

Diane Pina, Chair

The NC DKG Rules Committee is accepting proposed amendments to the *NC DKG Bylaws* and *Standing Rules* for the 2023 convention.

The deadline to submit proposed amendments to either of these documents is December 1, 2022. Use the [amendment form](#) on the NC DKG website to submit proposed changes. Contact Rules Committee Chair [Diane Pina](#) if you have questions.

Amendment Proposal Deadline: December 1, 2022



Winter *NC DKG News* deadline
November 1, 2022

Send articles to editor [Carol Bostian](#)

Recruit, Retain and Recognize



NC DKG First Vice President & EEC Chair

Hilda A. Parlér

As we fall into the second year of the 2021-2023 biennium, reflect on how NC DKG officers, related personnel, state committees, chapters, and the Educational Excellence Committee implemented Beginning Teacher Support, Educational Law and Policy, Leadership Development, Membership, Planning, and World Fellowship initiatives.

NC DKG applauds its new leaders as chapter presidents, co-presidents, and regional directors begin the 2022-2024 biennium. Welcome them with open arms and hearts as they look for support to bolster their roles and responsibilities.

Use the **3Rs** to strive for all our leaders and chapters to be strong and healthy. What are the 3Rs? **Recruit, Retain** and **Recognize**. It's particularly important, too, that we "*recognize*" our members on all levels to ensure the first 2Rs are effective.

Implement ways to recognize members. Submit articles to the *NC DKG News*. Recognize members by posting honors or awards on chapter websites or Facebook pages. Create a member spotlight in chapter newsletters. Everyone deserves a pat on the back for the work they do. Let's celebrate our members!



DKG Art Gallery Submissions Open

Arts & Humanities Jury Representative

Dedra Davis

NC DKG members continue to have a strong showing in the DKG Art Gallery. The fall 2022 submission window is August 15 – September 15. Categories include writing, music, and video in addition to the visual arts. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Arts and Humanities Jury submission procedures were revised in July 2022. Application forms may be found at www.dkg.org. All judging rubrics are found at dkggallery.dkg.org. If you have questions, please reach out to [Dedra Davis](#), the NC liaison to the DKG Art Gallery.

Let's showcase our member's many talents in 2022!

Personnel Committee Announces Editor Vacancy

Personnel Committee

Linda Little, Chair



One of the Personnel Committee's goals for the 2021-2023 biennium is to inform members of leadership roles and opportunities. In the *NC DKG Bylaws* Article VI. Officers and Related Personnel; Section 3. Terms of Office; B. The terms of the executive secretary, the treasurer, the editor and the webmaster shall be six (6) years or until a successor is named. The current *NC DKG News* editor's term is complete at the end of June 2023. The Personnel Committee's task is to select a new *NC DKG News* editor for this position.

The application will be available at the Fall NC DKG Executive Board meeting. The committee will accept applications until January 18, 2023. Candidates will be interviewed in early February, and a recommendation is anticipated by the middle of April. The recommendation will be voted on at the 2023 NC DKG Convention.

We encourage members interested in this position to complete the application and send it to [Linda Little](#). If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call 252-671-9426.



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 July/August 2022 issue 79-4 [here](#).

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| July/August 2022 | |

New ROSE Award Information Available

Awards Committee

Amy White, Chair



The NC DKG Awards Committee introduced the *new* ROSE Award that replaces the Chapter Achievement Award. The ROSE Award (Recognition of Society Excellence) has two levels—the Rose Bud Award, symbolic of a young rose with petals not fully opened, and the Order of the Rose Award for chapters more actively involved in DKG work. Chapters must complete at least ten of the 12 Rose Bud Award category options for recognition. Most items are standard DKG work, such as completing forms or reports and participating in NC DKG events. The Order of the Rose Award includes five categories of participation. Chapters need to complete a minimum of 25 items in the five areas in addition to the first ten in the Rose Bud Award to be recognized.

The ROSE Award is non-competitive and is meant to guide chapters in gauging their annual work. The ROSE Award document, listing the guidelines for recognizing chapters' annual work, is available on the NC DKG website. Submission will be by a Google Form that will be available on the NC DKG website by January 2023.

Awards Chair Amy White shared, "The committee was committed to making the ROSE Award something that chapters could use as a planning guide and for chapter recognition without the feeling of competition. We look forward to embracing the ROSE Award for 2022-2023."



2023 NC DKG Leadership Seminar

Leadership Development Committee

Lori Holguin, Chair



The Leadership Development Committee invites you to save the 2023 NC DKG Leadership Seminar dates. This year's theme is "DKG Leaders - Honor the Past, Embrace the Present, and Inspire the Future!" The seminar will be held at Caraway Conference Center on March 25-26, 2023, with an optional early arrival on March 24 for a day spent exploring the pottery town of Seagrove.

This year's seminar will be open to new, former, and prospective leaders, so all members are welcome to attend. There will be something for everyone.

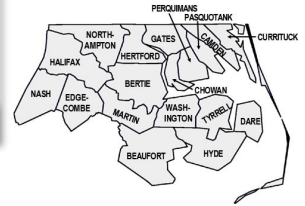
Full details and a registration form will be available in the winter edition of the *NC DKG News*.

NC DKG 2022-2024 Regional Directors Linking the Past, Present and Future

NC DKG Second Vice President Tammy Cullom is pleased to announce the 2022-2024 Regional Directors whose terms began on July 1. Regional directors are a liaison between the chapters and state organization. These leaders are here to advise and support new chapter presidents. Be sure to invite your regional director to a chapter meeting or event.

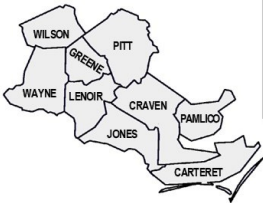
Region I: Dr. Kaye Dotson, *Beta Upsilon*

Dr. Kaye Dotson is an Associate Professor and past Director of the Library Science Program in the College of Education at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. Kaye served as Beta Upsilon vice president and president and communications and marketing chair. She served over 20 years as a practicing school librarian, presenting at numerous conferences and publishing articles and books.



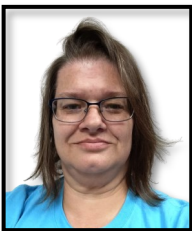
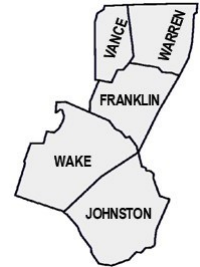
Region II: Ellen Benton, *Sigma*

Ellen Benton is a member of Sigma Chapter, where she has served in many capacities, including president. Her educational career ranged from being a speech and language clinician to an elementary classroom teacher, teaching the academically gifted, and administration. She retired as the Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction for Lenoir County Schools. Ellen lives in Swansboro and enjoys coastal life, traveling, reading, and spending time with friends and family, especially her grandchildren.



Region III: Tiffany Long, *Gamma Eta*

Tiffany Long is a member of Gamma Eta and served as president for the past biennium. She received her bachelor's degree in Canada. She taught for five years as a National Board Certified teacher before returning to school to complete her master's degree in administration from NC State University as a Principal Fellow. As an assistant principal and former English teacher, Tiffany serves as a service and instructional leader. She resides in Knightdale with her husband and enjoys reading.



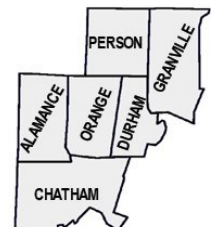
Region IV: Tammy Albright, *Delta Iota*

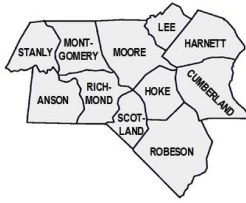
Tammy Albright was inducted into Delta Kappa Gamma in 2009 and is a member of Delta Iota Chapter. She has served as recording secretary, treasurer, editor, first vice president, and president. Tammy has been a member and chair of numerous state committees. She received the NC DKG Rising Star and Golden Key awards. As a 25-year veteran in the field of education, Tammy is still excited by the daily challenges and rewards placed before her.



Region V: Jeffri Wier, *Beta Pi*

Jeffri Wier is a Beta Pi member. A veteran NC educator, she holds degrees from Wake Forest and East Carolina Universities. She enjoyed a variety of roles, including classroom teacher, director of instruction, media coordinator, and college/career counselor. In retirement, Jeffri continues to teach ESL students part-time and reviews applications for university admissions. Family lake time is usually on the calendar, as well as a few days a week in her fun job at Hill Ridge Farms.



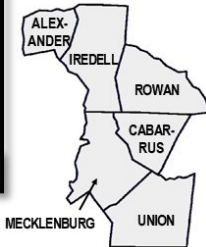
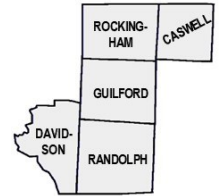


Region VI: Doris Littlejohn, *Gamma Gamma*

Doris Littlejohn, a retired educator and member of Gamma Gamma, celebrates an amazing career. She was selected as district Teacher of the Year three times and Master Teacher of the Teacher Advancement Program. Doris has been chapter president, a member of various committees, and is now serving a fourth term as recording secretary. She served as NC DKG Convention chair, recording secretary, member of the Membership Committee, and state liaison for the Mentor Project. Doris is currently a member of the personnel committee.

Region VII: Mary Pickett, *Alpha Upsilon*

Mary Pickett, an Alpha Upsilon member, is a retired exceptional children’s teacher. She also earned her National Board Certification. Mary has served her chapter as secretary, membership chair, first vice president, and two terms as president. In 2018 she led Alpha Upsilon to earn the Presidential Achievement Award. Mary is serving on the NC DKG Rules Committee and previously served on the Headquarters Committee.

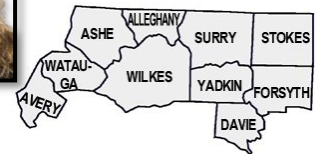


Region VIII: Amy Smith, *Delta Pi*

Amy Smith is a member of Delta Pi. She held several chapter offices, including president. Amy has been a teacher in the Mooresville Graded School District for over 20 years and was recognized as Teacher of the Year in 2012 and 2022. She is National Board Certified as a Middle Childhood Generalist. Amy lives in Mooresville with her husband and two sons, where she enjoys running and taking long walks with her two dogs.

Region IX: Debbie Merritt, *Delta Psi*

Debbie Merritt, a resident of Stokes County, is currently serving a second biennium as president of Delta Psi, NC DKG’s newest chapter. She also served as president of Alpha Theta, Delta Psi’s “mother chapter.” Debbie is a recipient of the NC DKG Shining Star and Golden Key awards. She is a retired teacher, principal, curriculum director, assistant superintendent, college instructor, and student teaching supervisor. Debbie hopes to assist and support Region IX chapters during the 2022-2024 biennium.



Region X: Dr. Rhonda Hager, *Delta Sigma*

Dr. Rhonda Keever Hager, a Delta Sigma member, has served her chapter as chair of the Fine Arts and Membership committees, first vice president, and chapter president. In 2022-2024, she will lead the chapter as president. Rhonda worked as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, and director in Lincoln County Schools. She retired as Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction. In retirement, she enjoys volunteering more time in the community and her church.



Region XI: Dedra Davis, *Alpha Iota*

Dedra Davis, a member of Alpha Iota, has served in various positions at the chapter and state levels. She is a former NC DKG committee chair and is the NC Liaison to the International Art Gallery. Dedra is a recipient of the Annie Webb Blanton International scholarship and the NC DKG Golden Key award. She enjoys participating in state conventions and international conferences. Recently retired, Dedra enjoys creating artwork, traveling with her husband, and volunteering in her community.



Chi Chapter Celebrates Farm Life

Chi member
Mary Ann Hart



Chi Chapter (Region VII, Guildford & Davidson) met for a social in June at the farm of new chapter president Debbie Rosenquist. Grandchildren and members alike petted lambs, held chickens, visited the goats, and spun wool. Kay Tucker's lamb slept on her lap for half an hour. It was good to be together in the great outdoors!



Region VII Presidents Gather

Region VII 2020-2022 Regional Director
Sharon Sullivan

Region VII outgoing and incoming chapter presidents gathered recently at Headquarters for an afternoon of fellowship. Seven of the region's eleven chapters were represented. Attendees shared experiences as leaders, educators, daughters, and mothers and how those roles have changed for each of us.

Special thanks to Mary Beth Dailey and Mary Beth White, Headquarters Committee members, whose help greatly contributed to the event's success. Additional thanks to incoming Region VII Director Mary Pickett for sharing Headquarters history for attendees. Although the group was small, the connections made at this event will help each chapter to grow stronger.



Front row: April Dunovant, Jordan Watford Lupton, Dr. Janis Antonek, Sharon Sullivan
Back row: Teresa Price, Lisa Frissen, Debbie Rosenquist, Anita Cranford, Mary Pickett

Gamma Pi Presents Scholarship

Gamma Pi President & Editor
Robin Tomasino

The **Gamma Pi** (Region VIII, Cabarrus) Scholarship Committee presented the Gamma Pi Scholarship for Future Teachers to Abigail Bogle. Bogle, a student at A. L. Brown High School, is planning to pursue a teaching career in math and history.

Founding member Lillian Burton was recently featured as the Region VIII Past Leader on the NC DKG website.



Scholarship Chair
Beth Smithson presents scholarship to Abigail Boyle

Amy Gough, the executive director of the Cabarrus County Education Foundation, was the meeting speaker and described how the Foundation is bringing together educators and businesses to help students leave school with a career direction, no matter what pathway the student chooses to pursue.



Theta Awards Grants

Theta Second Vice President
Sylvia Quinn

Theta Chapter (Region IV, Brunswick, New Hanover, & Pender) awarded four \$500.00 grants to New Hanover County Schools educators to fund projects for their classrooms. Mary Porter, Liz Day, and Haley Miles, grant recipients, attended the May meeting to share with the chapter this year's project results related to coding and reading skills in their classrooms.

Theta grant recipients
Mary Porter, Liz Day,
and Haley Miles



Gamma Tau

(Region III, Franklin)

Cheryl Wright, Gamma Tau member and media coordinator at Cleveland High School in Johnston County, recently received a \$250 Alpha Beta Literacy Grant. The grant will be used to purchase materials for a bookbinding makerspace for the media center. Alpha Beta member Amy Stanley and Assistant Principal Roger Norris surprised Wright with the presentation.



Amy Stanley (left) and Roger Norris (right) present Alpha Beta Literacy Grant to Cheryl Wright (center)



Beta Delta

(Region VII, Guilford)

Beta Delta member **Sharon Parks** will be inducted into the Guilford County Sports Hall of Fame in October 2022.



A Guilford College graduate, Parks was a four-year basketball and volleyball starter, earning Academic All-American Honors and All-Conference honors in both sports. She was inducted into the Guilford College Hall of Fame in 1996.

Parks enjoyed a high school coaching career spanning 1985 to 2018. During her career at three schools, she posted an impressive record in volleyball, winning 15 conference titles and being named Coach of the Year on 13 occasions. Parks was named NC Female Coach of the Year in 2008.

Summer 2022 NC DKG News Corrections

- Carol Maidon, in the DKG Art Gallery list, is a member of Gamma Iota Chapter in Wake County.
- Alpha Iota (*Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, & Swain*) is a 2022 Chapter of Excellence.

NC DKG Members Receive Cornet Professional Development Awards

Merry S. Lewis, Cornet Individual Professional Development Awards Committee chair, announced that three NC DKG members were awarded Lucile Cornet Individual Professional Development Awards.

Tonya Allison, Gamma Psi member (Region IX, Yadkin), received a Cornet Award to attend the 2022 Association for Music Education National Conference. Allison is a music teacher for K-5 students at Ward Elementary School in Winston-Salem.



A Cornet Award was presented to **Delta Chi** member (Region IX, Wilkes) **Shanna Bumgarner** to attend The Space Age on the Space Coast conference. Bumgarner teaches English language development to K-5 multi-lingual learners at Millers Creek Elementary in Millers Creek.



Amy Marley, Gamma Iota member (Region III, Wake), will attend the Wilson Reading System: Advanced Strategies for MSL Small Group Instruction workshop with funds provided by a Cornet Award. Marley is a K-2 literacy coach and intervention team facilitator at Forest Pines Drive Elementary School in Raleigh.



NC DKG MEMBER PUBLISHED IN DKG BULLETIN: JOURNAL

An article by an NC DKG member and her colleague was selected for inclusion in the 2022 Volume 88-5 issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: Journal*.



Dr. Phyllis Broughton, Beta Upsilon (Region I, Bertie, Gates, Hertford, Martin, Tyrell, & Washington), and her teaching colleague Dr. Xi Lin contributed the article titled "Bridging Generational Gaps in Teaching and Learning Across Generations." The article is found on pages 7-16.

News from the NC DKG Educational Foundation

NCDKGEF Board Vice Chair

Sharon Frazier

**Grants Available -
Don't Miss Out!**



The NC DKG Educational Foundation announces that Foundation grants and many endowment grants are now available. Applications are available on the [NCDKGEF website](#). The *deadline for grant applications is September 30*. If you have a project you want to do in your classroom, a chapter initiative, or a community partnership idea, consider submitting a grant application. These opportunities are available for you. Apply now!



The North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation is excited to announce we're returning to Colonial Country Club in Thomasville on October 8 for our annual charity golf tournament, Tee It Up for Teachers.

Enjoy a unique round of golf in the rolling hills and hardwood forests of Thomasville while supporting NC students and teachers. Proceeds go to The North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation.

Create a team, be a sponsor, or make a contribution. Your generosity will allow funding to support teachers and students throughout North Carolina. Sponsorship and golfer registration forms are available online on the [Tee It Up for Teachers page](#) on the Foundation website.

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Bumgarner Attends Professional Development

Lucile Cornetet Award Recipient

Shanna Bumgarner

With the help of the Lucile Cornetet Award, I had the privilege to attend professional development to learn about "The Space Age on the Space Coast" inside the Astronaut Memorial Foundation at the Kennedy Space Center in Merritt Island, Florida.

I was awarded the opportunity to hear from distinct national and local faculty from institutions. I attended lectures by Dr. Charlie Camarda, a retired astronaut who served as a research engineer, inventor, author, educator, and internationally recognized expert, and Mike Cianilli, who served as launch director at NASA for 11 years and is currently NASA's manager of the Apollo, Challenger and Columbia Lessons Learned Program.

The workshop included field trips to regional sites of historical and cultural significance, such as the Apollo/Saturn V Rocket Center, Cape Canaveral Space Force Base, Harry and Harriette Moore Cultural Complex, and Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge. I was fortunate to study the history of the Space Coast through these unique experiences and learn about the many discoveries and scientific breakthroughs made by experiments conducted by NASA and at the International Space Station.



I was honored by the invitation to participate in this workshop and equally grateful to be supported by the Lucile Cornetet Award. The experience has greatly influenced my outlook as an educator, and I look forward to sharing new ideas with students and colleagues in the new school year.

Conference & Convention Dates

2023

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| Apr. 28-30 | NC DKG Convention Greenville, North Carolina |
| Jul. 11-16 | 2023 International Conference Detroit, Michigan |
| Jul. 18-22 | 2023 International Conference Phoenix, Arizona |
| Jul. 26-29 | 2023 International Conference Tampere, Finland |



Welcome New NC DKG Inductees

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| <p>Gamma</p> <p>Sonya Leonard Meredith Lowe Amy Motley Stephanie Scott-Gaddy Michele Smith</p> | <p>Alpha Gamma</p> <p>Jacqueline Aldridge Carol Critcher Audrey Jones Drema Morris Barbara Myers Joelle Poore</p> | <p>Gamma Zeta</p> <p>Patricia McElraft Tabbie Nance Kelly Riley Bena Weires Amanda Wood</p> | <p>Delta Chi</p> <p>Robyn Hibbard Shanna Bumgarner Rebeca Kilpatrick Dara Kinkoph Chasidi Wellborn</p> |
| <p>Eta</p> <p>Rebecca Bonchick Kathy Parris Stephenie Pruet</p> | <p>Alpha Theta</p> <p>Alicia Fallow Lyndsey Haywood Patricia Martin Sandra Matthews</p> | <p>Gamma Eta</p> <p>Ava Closs Gretchen Sanftleben Andrea Trowell</p> | <p>Delta Psi</p> <p>Priscilla Badgett Caroline Beam Crystal Boyles Elizabeth "Beth" Carroll Lynne Doby Allison Fulp Lea Ann Gibson Cynthia "Cindi" Goins Amanda Gordon Mary "Katie" Hall Glada Harrell Ann Hartgrove Elaine Hauser Whitney Hawkins Yasmin Jaffee Sonya Lankford Eyanna Lissane Frances "Fran" Newsom Wendolyn "Wendy" Owens Rebecca "Becky" Patterson Shannon Rose Marcia Saunders Juliana "Julie" Sedlacek Michela Stevens Abigail "Abbey" Westmoreland</p> |
| <p>Kappa</p> <p>Jennifer De Lajara Lauren Rogers</p> | <p>Grayson Moser Nora Santillan Janet Sutphin</p> | <p>Gamma Lambda</p> <p>Kolouia Newsome</p> | |
| <p>Nu</p> <p>Rumonda "Lynn" Evans Dijion "Anyea" Gibson Kathryn Simmons</p> | <p>Alpha Lambda</p> <p>Laura Jordan</p> | <p>Gamma Omicron</p> <p>Christina "Tina" Gallucci</p> | |
| <p>Upsilon</p> <p>LuAnna Bellairs Salemi Mandy Dainiken April St. Clair</p> | <p>Beta Mu</p> <p>Michelle Klosterman Nancy Martinez</p> | <p>Gamma Upsilon</p> <p>Martha Fout</p> | |
| <p>Chi</p> <p>Catherine Kuhn Regina Myers Carla Thomas Amanda Thompson</p> | <p>Beta Pi</p> <p>Debra Geatry Brittany Hollowell Emily Shearin</p> | <p>Gamma Chi</p> <p>Robin Edwards Josephine Myrick Rachel Smith</p> | |
| | <p>Gamma Epsilon</p> <p>Kayli Kreais Mary Murphy</p> | <p>Delta Zeta</p> <p>Hillary Braden Shannon Brinkley Leela Heyder Trasa Rossi</p> | |
| | | <p>Delta Rho</p> <p>Holly Bower</p> | |

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.

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2022 International Achievement Award Presented to Barbara Clausen



Barbara Clausen received the 2022 International Achievement Award during the DKG International Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana. The gold medallion and chain known as the International Achievement Award is presented annually to a leader at the international level of the Society who merits recognition for

her distinguished record of service. This medallion is worn only by members who have been voted the honor and privilege by the International Executive Board.

Clausen is the immediate past Northwest Regional Director and the 2020-2022 DKG World Fellowship Committee chair. She has been a member and chair of several international committees and a frequent workshop presenter at both the state and international levels.

Clausen is a member of Chi Chapter in the Washington State Organization. She served as state president, received the Washington State Organization Achievement Award, and was awarded a state scholarship.

DKG President Becky Sadowski introduced Clausen as “a dynamic leader grounded in collegiality, modeling, encouraging, and influencing. Barbara is an authentic mentor who helps others to see their potential as leaders.”



DKGIEF Recognizes Donors

The DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF) supports educational projects, the educational and charitable activities of DKG International, and professional growth of educators worldwide. DKGIEF recently announced donor contributions for 2020-2022. The list included several NC DKG members and chapters. Individual gifts were donated by Sheila Groves - Guiding Lights (\$10,000-\$24,999), Dr. Barbara Day and Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon - Luminaries (\$1,000-\$4,999), Dr. Barbara Day and Carolyn Pittman - Founding Luminaries (\$1,000 by initial DKGIEF investors). Chapter organization gifts were donated by Beta Delta Chapter – Trailblazers (\$5,000+) and Kappa Chapter – Pathfinders (\$500-\$999).

DKGIEF includes ten funds accepting contributions. Learn more about the Foundation or make a donation on the DKG website → [DKGIEF tab](#).

2022-2024 International Officers Installed at the 2022 DKG Convention

The 2022-2024 DKG President is Dr. Debra “Debbie” LeBlanc. LeBlanc recently served as the Northeast Regional Director, president of the Illinois State Organization, and on several international committees. She co-chaired the 2021 international conference in San Antonio. She is a member of Beta Phi Chapter in Illinois.



Others serving on the Administrative Board include Connie Rensink, Texas, First Vice President; Dr. Beverly Hall, Tennessee, Second Vice President; Dr. Teresa Cowan, North Carolina, Southeast Regional Director; four other regional directors; two members-at-large; two area representatives; Dr. Helen Popovich, Parliamentarian; Becky Sadowski, Immediate Past International President; and Nita Scott, DKG Executive Director.

Find the complete Administrative Board list under the [About Us tab](#) once logged in to the member side of the [DKG website](#).



NC DKG Leaders Selected for International Positions



Dr. Teresa Cowan (*Region XI, Alpha Phi*), immediate NC DKG past president, was elected as the Southeast Regional Director during the 2022 DKG Convention in New Orleans. Teresa, outgoing chair of the DKG Communications and Marketing Committee, will lead the 11-state southeast region on the Administrative Board.

DKG President LeBlanc has invited several NC DKG leaders to serve on international committees. Connie Savell (*Region X, Delta Tau*) will serve on the DKG World Fellowship Committee. Dr. Rhonda Hager (*Region X, Delta Sigma*) will serve on the DKG Scholarship Committee. Leslie Black (*Region X, Nu*) has been selected to serve on the International Educators Book Award Committee. Dr. Judith Carlson (*Region IX, Alpha Gamma*) will continue on the DKG International Educators Foundation Board of Directors.