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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: *Leading Women Educators, Impacting Education Worldwide*

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President's Message

Last week was the end of the first semester for our students and teachers. Usually, by this time in the school year, when we see students making the same mistakes over and over again, we want to give up or throw our hands in the air. We believe that our students are coming to school and purposefully not doing well in a subject or choosing to misbehave. My message to us all has been to use this time as a **RE**start. Sometimes we need to **RE**set our minds, **RE**mind students of the expectations and **RE**member that we're here for all students.

The prefix **RE** - is powerful! It means **again or back**. No matter where you are in life, it's important to **RE**mind yourselves of the power of **RE**!

As our Delta Zeta chapter continues to **RE**bound from the COVID years, it's my **RE**sponsibility as our leader to help us **RE**build our chapter to a stronger and more purposeful group than before. This year's theme of celebrating women leaders (ourselves) has given us the opportunity to share who we are as women educators and people. We've been able to **RE**fect on why we were chosen to be members in Delta Zeta and **RE**member the importance of coming together as a group for the betterment of others. Unfortunately we have had some of our members **RE**sign, but as we **RE**new our pledge to our chapter and each other, maybe we can **RE**discover the benefits of being a part of a larger group of women educators. At our most recent meeting, Rendy shared her family "business" Kingston Kreatures, and Linda and Margaret shared their influence on the local Food for Thought organization. Immediately, I was **RE**mind why I enjoy Delta Zeta. I get to enjoy fellowship with some pretty amazing women at least 4 - 5 times a year. Some of these women I only see at meetings, but some of them I get to know better when we volunteer at hydration stations or at our spelling bee. Some of these women I have so many things in common with and some I have nothing in common with, other than being an educator, but I feel **RE**energized when I leave the meetings.

I've decided this year, not to set new goals, but to **RE**fect on those things that make me happy and allow me to be myself. Delta Zeta is one of those things. Maybe this new year will be a time for those who have left us to **RE**join and for those who are members but don't show up to **RE**engage.

We will always be here for you! Let's make it a great year!

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We had a wonderful time at our January meeting highlighting the work that some of our sisters do in the community. Linda White and Margaret Lawler shared about their work with Food for Thought. Rendy King shared about her work, along with her grandson, Kingston, with creating "Kingston's Kreatures" and delivering them to children and adults who are facing sickness or other challenges.



Thank you, Ladies, for a wonderful program!

Possibilities from International

In the recent *Collegial Exchange*, Kammie Richter shared some possibilities for us to think about in moving forward as DKG. Take some time to think about these and how we might incorporate some of them into Delta Zeta chapter.

- 1) Give membership dues incentives in the form of a percent off dues for every member who brings in another member.
- 2) Create an environment where members truly belong.
- 3) Reorganize and revitalize 2 of the 4 required chapter meetings to be more inclusive of members' interests.
- 4) Pursue a name change that reflects who we are in a more modern way.
- 5) Eliminate outdated practices and rules.
- 6) Select DKG state educators of the year.
- 7) Partner with other educational organizations.

For more on these ideas, see *Collegial Exchange*, Volume 89-2, 2022, pp. 9-15.

Tidbits from NC DKG

The NC DKG Scholarship forms (Doctoral and Post-Baccalaureate) are available on the NC DKG website. Applications are due February 1. <https://www.ncdkg.org/forms.html>

*Registration ends soon for the NC DKG Leadership Development Seminar to be held March 25-26 at Caraway Conference Center near Asheboro. The deadline to apply and make payment is February 28, 2023. Check the NC DKG website for more information.

Calendar

*Feb. 1 Scholarship applications due for NC DKG & DKG International

***Monday, March 13** Delta Zeta meeting, 4:00 at KHES for the 5:30 Spelling Bee

***Tuesday, May 2** Delta Zeta meeting, 5:00 at NHES

Webwatcher Technology Tips

*Delta Zeta Website

<https://ncdkgdeltazeta.weebly.com/>

*Check out Delta Zeta on Facebook!!

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