



# ALPHA DELTA NEWS

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
NC DKG State Organization  
Alpha Delta Chapter  
Region VII  
Caswell/Rockingham Counties

## FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Alpha Delta friends,  
A confession: I have already watched probably a dozen Christmas movies recently and it's still November. I even viewed a couple BEFORE Halloween! Maybe, like me, some of you (Marguerite?) have watched enough of these holiday movies to have your favorites? Yes, I know, the plots are nearly identical—small town charm, Christmas magic, the love of family, and a simple life conquer the greed and selfishness of an empty, though seemingly successful, life in the big city. And there's no telling how many pounds of Christmas cookies are consumed in each one! Still, the steady movement of each movie to a happy conclusion seems helpful just now. As 2021 comes to a close, most days I am a ball of conflicting emotions—some hopeful moments, but also flashes of frustration and sadness. For some of you, 2021 has

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## PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

truly been the saddest of times with the heartbreaking loss of family members and close friends. Please know that your Alpha Delta friends grieve with you. Some are experiencing constant pain and health concerns. All of us are no doubt truly worried about the deep political and cultural divisions in our nation. Still, I keep reminding myself, we can encourage one another, work cooperatively for our common goals, be kind, and seek fairness and peace. On behalf of our chapter, I express great admiration for all those who continue to meet daily challenges at home and at school but keep moving forward in the classroom and online to be effective teachers to their students who need them greatly. Teaching must be harder than ever. Maybe reward yourself with a welcome break from the hard work by watching a holiday movie! It won't relieve all the stress and anxiety of the day, but maybe it will help at least a little.

In hope and friendship,

D. Russell [Contact Request](#)

**DKG: Leading Women Educators  
Impacting Education Worldwide**

**NC DKG: "Linking the Past, Present and Future"**



*Carolina Beach--where my family gathered!*

*Photo by D. Russell*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

*Dec. 15 Chapter directory due to regional director*  
*Dec. 15 Bulletin: Collegial Exchange submissions due*  
*Jan. 15-Feb. 15, 2022 Arts & Humanities Gallery submission window open*  
*Jan. 24 ASK Time for chapter presidents*  
*Jan. 31 NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants applications due*  
*Feb. 1 Chapter President Annual Report due*  
*Feb. 1 Scholarship applications due for NC DKG & DKG International*  
*Feb. 1 NC DKG News deadline*  
*Feb. 28 ASK Time for chapter presidents*  
*Mar. 1 Chapter Achievement, Golden Key, Rising Star, and Beginning Teacher Awards nominations due*  
*Mar. 1 Newsletter Excellence, Website Excellence and Communications Excellence Awards requirements due*  
*Mar. 1 Bulletin: Journal submissions due*  
*Mar. 1 DKGIEF Project applications due*  
*Mar. 28 ASK Time for chapter presidents*  
*Apr. 25 ASK Time for chapter presidents (tentative)*  
*Apr. 29-May 1 NC DKG Convention, Asheville*  
*Apr. 30 Dissertation Recognition due to International*  
*May 1 Cornet Individual PD Awards applications due*  
*May 1 NC DKG News deadline*  
*May 11 DKG Founders Day*  
*May 15 Bulletin: Journal submissions due*  
*May 15 New Chapter Officers Report due*  
*May 23 ASK Time for chapter presidents*  
*June 30 Membership dues due to chapter treasurers*

## Hotel Reservations, Vendor Form Ready For 2022 Convention

Convention Plans are taking shape for an in-person state convention this spring at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and Resort in Asheville on April 29 to May 1, 2022. Hotel reservations may be made by calling the toll-free number 1-844-330-0296 (24/7) and mentioning the group name “Eta State Delta Kappa Gamma” in order to receive the special group rate of \$155 for two queen beds. Reservations may also be made online at Eta State Delta Kappa Gamma. The vendor form for individuals or chapters wishing to sell in the Convention Marketplace is ready and posted online for applications now. See the vendor form for prices and payment options. Convention Chair Connie Savell is seeking volunteers for the convention. This is a chance for all members to be involved! A variety of options are available to enhance members’ convention experience and are listed on the volunteer form. A link will be shared later to sign up for specific times. Watch for more information coming soon on the Convention Program Ad form and Workshop Presenters form. Be talking with your chapter members now about ads and encouraging members to present!



### *Convention Dates*

April 29-May 1, 2022 — NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza Resort  
 July 12-16, 2022 — International Convention, New Orleans, LA  
 April 28-30, 2023 — NC DKG Convention, Greenville

## Nov/Dec DKG News is Online

The November/December issue of DKG News is available online in pdf or flipbook format. In addition to information about the sale of the headquarters building, this issue contains convention news, including information on one of the guest speakers, city tours, and proposed amendments; President Becky Sadowski’s column on membership; plans being made for the 100 Years of DKG celebration and how chapters and members can participate; an update from DKGIEF; details and dates for the Communications and Marketing Committee’s modules; and more.

## **Member Spotlight on NC DKG Website is Featuring Region II Leaders**

The Member Spotlight on the NC DKG website is currently featuring a past, present, and future leader from Region II.

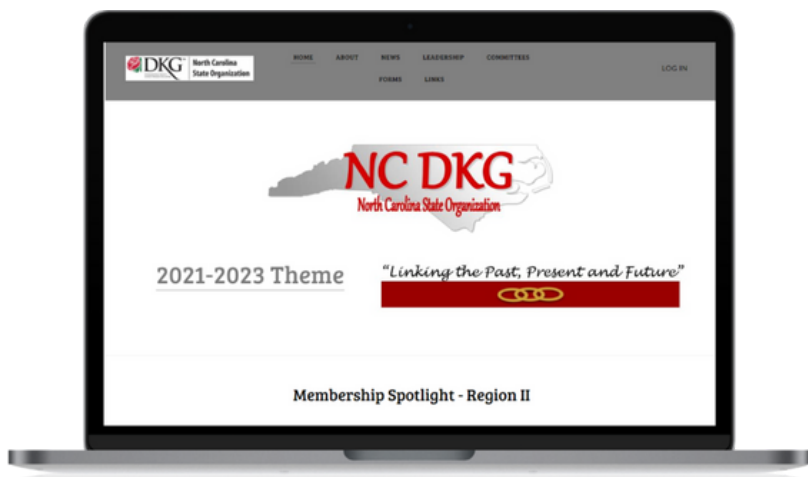
Chapter presidents who would like to see a member featured in the spotlight section should send the name and information on the candidate to their regional director. The regional director will coordinate with the chapter presidents to choose the three members to spotlight when it is their region's turn.

Spotlights will stay on the website for six weeks at a time.

After Region II in November/December, Region V will start on December 20, Region IX on January 31, 2022, Region III on March 14, Region VI on April 25, Region VIII on June 6, Region IV on July 18, Region VII on August 29, Region I on October 10, and Region XI on November 21.



*Photo by S. Dickens*



## **A Message from Our Membership Committee**

The Chapter Member Biographical Data Sheet (Form 82) is a vital part of our membership records. The form is provided on our Alpha Delta website and is interactive. Please print this form and bring it to our next meeting or mail it to the membership chair (Carol H.) Please note: The section titled "DKG Engagement" refers to your involvement in the various levels of our organization. Please include any offices you have held, committees on which you have served or chaired, and/or projects in which you have participated or led. You may also include conferences and conventions attended and/or awards/scholarships you received. Currently, we have completed forms for less than half of our membership.

Please take the time to submit this information so our records will be complete.

Thanks  
Carol

## Scholarship Applications Posted Online

Scholarship Applications Posted Online One of the DKG Purposes is “To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to nonmember women educators.” NC DKG offers scholarships for post-baccalaureate and doctorate studies. Applications are now online and are due February 1, 2022. (There is also a link on the NC DKG homepage.) Information requested for the application includes three letters of reference, official transcripts or documentation of enrollment in the program, a copy of a current teaching/administration license, an essay on what DKG means to you, and a listing of related DKG experiences. Applicants are encouraged to begin gathering application materials now. Contact Scholarship Committee Chair M. Benigno with questions. Over 30 scholarships are awarded each year through the DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF) to members pursuing advanced degrees. Scholarships for those seeking other graduate studies are \$6,000 and a doctorate is \$10,000. Those applications are also due February 1, 2022. NC DKG members may apply for both an NC DKG and an International

scholarship within a given year. The membership requirement for International applicants is three years for doctoral studies and one year for other graduate studies and two calendar years from induction for NC DKG. NC DKG Educational Foundation also offers scholarships. The Spring grant cycle will include awarding five grants, as well as the Groves-Little, Richards, Simmons-Longest, and the Church. The due date for these is January 31, 2022.

Keep up to date!  
Visit the International, State  
& Chapter Websites...

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

NC DKG Website: <https://www.ncdkg.org>

Alpha Delta Website:

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



### Treasurer's Report

Balance in Checking  
as of 8-6-2021: \$7,326.34  
Balance in Savings (Grant-in-  
Aid/Scholarship)  
as of 6-30-2021:  
\$4, 151.85.

## NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

We welcomed two new members, Michelle and Wendy.  
They were inducted on October 1, 2021.



*B. Brewer, D. Russell, W. Carter, M. Hernandez, R. Scott, and C. Holcomb*

*Photo by S Dickens*



*Carol with new member Michelle*

*Photo by D. Russell*



*Bonnie with new member Wendy*

*Photo by D. Russell*

**WE REMEMBER OUR FRIEND CAROL SUMMERLIN  
CHAPTER MEMBER SINCE 1983**



Carol Morris Summerlin, 77, left this earthly life on Monday, October 18, 2021 at Gibson House Hospice.

Mrs. Summerlin was born on June 2, 1944 in Wilson County, North Carolina to the late Carlyle Morris and Margaret Williamson Morris. She graduated from Rock Ridge High School in 1962, attended East Carolina University and went on to graduate from Atlantic Christian College (Barton College) in 1966. In 1976, she completed her master's in Educational Administration from UNC Greensboro.

Carol's teaching career began as an elementary school teacher in Johnston County, North Carolina, and then she relocated to the Madison-Mayodan area schools in 1970, where she served as assistant principal at Scott-Lassiter Elementary School. In 1976, she became principal at John W. Dillard School and was employed with Rockingham County Schools until 1998. In 2002, she returned as principal of an alternative learning program for Rockingham Youth Services, where she worked until her retirement in 2010.

Carol was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Madison, where she served as Deacon Chairwoman, bible school teacher and children's choir director. She was also an active member of the Madison-Mayodan Rotary, where she served as the first female president and district governor.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald Terry Summerlin, Sr. and daughter-in-law, Michelle Summerlin.

Survivors include her sons, Gerald Terry Summerlin, Jr. (Myra Propst) of Summerfield and Michael Wade Summerlin (Mindy) of Charleston, West Virginia; grandchildren, Tripp, Kimmee, Dylan, Breanna and Levi Summerlin; brother, Carlyle Morris (Teresa) and sister, Margaret Huey (Larry).

The Summerlin family wishes to thank Brookdale in Reidsville, Camden Place in Greensboro and Hospice of Rockingham County for their attentive and loving care.

Special thanks are extended to her caregiver, Louvenia Gilliam and her many special friends for the consistent love and special care they provided.

***Alpha Delta News Editor C. Massengale Contact Request***

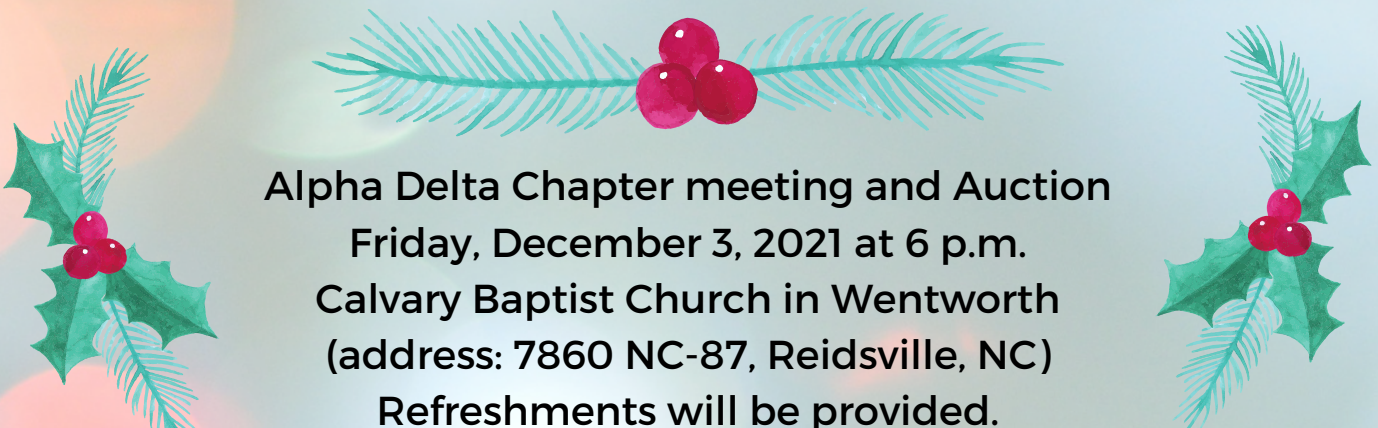
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**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL NEWS**

If any of our Alpha Delta sister's enjoyed reading Sue Monk Kidd's *The Secret Life of Bees*, C. Lester suggests reading Karen White's novel, *Flight Patterns*. Both books are about relationships but *Flight Pattern* is a bit of a mystery that spans two continents.



- November 16- Evangelina
- 19- Melissa
- December 7- Jeryl
- 8- Kay
- 20- Bonnie
- 21- Donna
- 28- Ruth
- January 7- Debbie
- 10- Martha
- 17- Michelle
- 22- Deborah
- 23- Tee
- 27- Lynne



**Alpha Delta Chapter meeting and Auction**  
**Friday, December 3, 2021 at 6 p.m.**  
**Calvary Baptist Church in Wentworth**  
**(address: 7860 NC-87, Reidsville, NC)**  
**Refreshments will be provided.**

**Just bring your items for the auction and come ready to bid!**

**Rachel will return as our auctioneer**

**Proceeds will help fund our chapter scholarship fund**

**Zoom link will be provided for those unable to attend in person.**



Delta Kappa Gamma  
Alpha Delta  
October 1, 2021  
Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society met October 1, 2021 in a hybrid meeting, both in person at Calvary Baptist Church in Wentworth NC and digitally via Zoom. This was due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Co-President D. Russell provided the welcome and inspiration. She ask everyone to think of a student they had helped and an inspirational teacher. Time was given for sharing. A delicious boxed dinner was enjoyed. Twenty-one members attended.

The chapter officers installed two new members W. Carter and M. Hernandez. Induction Committee Chair B. Brewer decorated for the ceremony with the DKG regalia. Membership Committee Chair C. Holcomb earlier organized the new member orientation meeting and dinner.

Co-President Russell conducted the business meeting. N. Rose made the motion to approve the agenda. M. Holt seconded the motion. All were in favor. R. Scott made the motion to approve the minutes. M. Bailey seconded the motion with all in favor. Co-Treasurers R. Scott and W. Smith reported the checking balance is \$7498.58 and the Grant in Aid is \$4151.50. The required IRS report has been filed.

#### Committee Reports

Finance- Chair S. Thompson presented the 2021-22 proposed budget. C. Massengale made the motion to approve and Wanda Smith seconded. All agreed.

Communications- C. Massengale requested members submit their personal interest information for inclusion in the Alpha Delta newsletter.

Scholarship- Chair C. Tuttle reported she will promote the DKG Grant in Aid for future teachers as scheduled by sending applications to the local high schools.

Leadership Development- Chair K. Diehl inquired if the members are interested in a second book club meeting for this year.

Educational Law and Policy- Chair M/ House reported on NC House Bill 324. She read from the governor's veto message.

D. Russell presented the President's Report. She read the resignation email from K. Spencer and S. J. Penn. The chapter is in need of chairs for the Schools for Africa Committee and Beginning Teacher Support Committee. Russell participates in online monthly chapter presidents meetings with the Eta state president.

Old Business- N. Rose made the motion to approve the updated chapter rules. B. Brewer seconded with all agreeing.

New Business- The chapter members contributed school supplies for the Alpha Delta members currently in the classroom. The donations were very generous and well received.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Rice, Secretary

*Alpha Delta News Editor C. Massengale [Contact Request](#)*

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