

ALPHA DELTA NEWS

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

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Filled with Joy

Through our program at the October meeting, Tee and I tried to encourage everyone to be as positive as we can-- even in what continues to be a very challenging time. I hope each member present found some part of the program meaningful and I send special thanks to those who shared with the group. As a part of our activity, we gave each member a colorful mini notebook, where she can record positive thoughts. I hope you are able to fill your little notebook with many good things you are experiencing, with all the things that are bringing you joy. I have found that, despite days when I am feeling down, there have been many times of joy for me recently. When I wrote them down, I was surprised, really, at the large number of my joyful moments.

Here are a few:

• having coffee with a friend on the porch of the historic Mayodan Hotel, which is being renovated

- receiving delightful photos of our "granddogs" and a video of their fourteenth birthday celebration, where they celebrated with a meal of scrambled eggs and peanut butter
- meeting my college suitemate (of nearly fifty years ago) on campus when she visited NC

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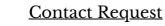
PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

- returning to Triad Stage in Greensboro for a very good production as they reopened after COVID
- visiting a history museum in another county, along with friends from the MARC, to gather ideas for our own exhibits and historic courthouse building

Let's continue to recognize and appreciate moments of joy in our lives as we move into the holiday season. Looking forward to seeing you at our December meeting and auction, which is always a joyful time for our chapter!

Debbie

Co-President





Submitted by Debbie R.



DECEMBER MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Friday, December 2
Location: Main St. United Methodist Church, Reidsville
5:30: Fellowship time (*earlier start)
6:00: Meal
Be sure to bring your items for the scholarship auction (home baked items

or decorative items are always good!) and plan to participate in the bidding fun!

Menu:

Meatballs Ham Delights Pasta Salad Fruit salad Cupcakes (red velvet and chocolate) Tea/coffee/cider

Hostesses:

M. Holt, chair; M. Hernandez; C. Lester

The cost of the meal is \$15.00. You will be contacted by a member of the social committee to confirm your attendance. Your reply will be needed by Sunday, November 27.

Looking forward to a fun holiday meeting!

If you arrive before 5pm you can pick up Dewey's Bakery treats in the Pop-up at the church.

DKG: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide NC DKG: "Linking the Past, Present and Future"



CHAPTER VOLUNTEER PROJECT

As we agreed at our October meeting, once a month, one or more of our members will volunteer at the Rockingham County Parent Resource Centers, for which Catherine Massengale is the Lead Teacher. Alpha Delta members will offer a couple of hours to help each month. One task that is needed is preparing the home activity kits for parents. Volunteers help by cutting out seasonal craft items, counting announcements and activity calendars, and placing these along with a gift book and other items in clear zip bags to go out to different schools. Additional volunteers would be welcome. Center locations are:

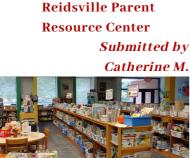
1130 Center Church Rd., Eden (Old Douglass School) 212 Lawsonville Ave., Reidsville (Lawsonville Elem.)

Volunteer Sign-up:

October--Debbie R. November --Deborah C. December--Volunteers needed January--Sandra D., Donna R. February--Marguerite H., Carol H., Rachel S. March--Winky P. April--Carolyn R., Wanda S. May--Susan S., Jeryl R. June--Melissa B., Wendy C., Michelle H.



Tots Packets Submitted by Catherine M.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Nov. 29 NC DKGEF Annual Day of Giving
- Dec. 1 Deadline to submit proposed changes to NC DKG Bylaws or Standing Rules
- December 2 Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting
- December 15 Chapter directory due to regional director
- Dec. 15 Bulletin: Collegial Exchange submissions due
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 15 Bulletin: Collegial Exchange submissions due <u>2023</u>
- Jan. 15-Feb. 15 DKG Art Gallery submission window open
- Jan. 23 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. 1 Educators Book Award Submissions
- Feb. 15 Arts & Humanities Submissions for Spring Gallery
- March 1 International Achievement Award recommendations
- March 1 DKGIEF Project Application
- March 1 Bulletin: Journal submissions
- March 25-26 NC DKG Leadership Seminar

Convention Dates

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

Treasurer's Report

Balance in Checking as of 11-15-2022: \$7648.21

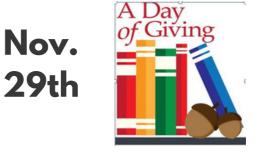
Balance in Savings (Grant-in-Aid/Scholarship) as of 11-15-2022: \$4329.11.

NC DKG NEWS

SPRING CONVENTION PROJECT ANNOUNCED

The 2023 NC DKG Convention Project is collecting food and monetary funds for the Food Bank of the Albemarle located in Elizabeth City. The Food Bank of the Albemarle helps fight hunger and poverty in northeast NC, serving Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington counties. The Food Bank is collecting canned items such as meats, proteins, vegetables, fruits and soups; dry goods such as pasta, cereal, rice and dried beans. In addition to food items, toiletries, personal hygiene items, toilet tissue, and laundry soap are very much needed to help families. These are necessary essentials that they cannot obtain with food stamp benefits. There will be a table set up at the convention for items to be donated. More information can be found at https://afoodbank.org/.

The NC DKG Educational Foundation's Annual Day of Giving will be November 29. Every member is encouraged to donate \$5 on this day to celebrate the work of the Foundation and its impact on chapters and members in NC. Go to the website and click on the <u>Donation</u> <u>Page</u> tab.



Updates will be posted throughout the day on Facebook to track our progress.

2023 SPRING CYCLE GRANTS

The Educational Foundation's spring cycle grant **proposals will be due on January 31, 2023**. Proposal forms located on the website will be updated soon. Learn more about each grant on the foundation's website at: <u>Guidelines - North Carolina DKG</u> <u>Educational Foundation The North</u> <u>Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Education</u> <u>Foundation (ncdkgef.org)</u>

NC DKG SCHOLARSHIPS AND DKG SCHOLARSHIPS DUE FEBRUARY 1

There will be two Doctoral scholarships and one Post-Baccalaureate scholarship available this year through NC DKG. Scholarship applications are due by February 1, 2023. The <u>NCDKG scholarship forms</u> are linked on the state website, along with an applicant checklist. 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 and for NC DKG applicants is two calendar years following induction. The international forms are available under the <u>Apply/Submit tab of the DKG member website</u>.



REMEMBER THE DKG EMERGENCY FUND

Several natural catastrophes have impacted the world in recent months, including wildfires, tornadoes, and Hurricane Ian. The DKG Emergency Fund helps members who have suffered a major loss due to a natural disaster and is supported solely by donations. If you would like to make a donation, go to <u>MyDKG</u>, click on the Donate Now button on the left or go to the DKGIEF tab, select Emergency Fund, and click on the red Donate button. If you have been impacted by a natural disaster, fill out Form 84 and contact President Beth.

Download the Emergency Fund flyer for more information and share it with others. A donation to the Emergency Fund would make a good chapter project and help other members in need.

Reminder

Submissions to Collegial Exchange are due by December 15. Members are encouraged to submit! This is the journal for personal writings, poetry, or viewpoints. See the submission guidelines under the <u>Publications</u> tab.

DKG TOUR OF FINLAND AND ESTONIA

Enjoy spending eight more days in Finland and Estonia after the 2023 DKG Conference in Tampere, Finland, next summer with a Go Ahead Tour, or 12 days with a Finnish Lakeland and Helsinki extension. This will be the ninth Go Ahead Tour in conjunction with DKG. The tour will begin on July 30, 2023, the day after the DKG Conference in Tampere ends. The tour includes seven nights in handpicked hotels, seven breakfasts and some evening meals, four sightseeing tours, private deluxe motor coach, and much more. Download the full itinerary from the DKG website by clicking on the Finland icon on the <u>Go</u> <u>Ahead Tours</u> page under the Events tab once logged into the member site.



Photo from Go Ahead Tours

Did you know you can find <u>Technology Tools and Safety</u> <u>Tips</u> on the DKG website? Check them out; we can't be too careful!



https://ncalphadelta.weebly.com/

WHAT BRINGS US JOY?

These are just some of the words that were shared at our last meeting. We can look forward to the "crowd-sourced" poem Tee will share with us in December! gratitude chocolate acceptance love savoring strengthened morning happiness release listening caring learning laughing peace warmth encouragement sweet feeling calming help breathe friends joy quiet gift fresh priceless thanks sharing treasure







Raising Monarch caterpillars, photographin g wildflowers, kayaking the Dan at Hanging Rock, and hiking with friends!

Submitted by Susan L.



PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL NEWS

Rural Experiences in America Project

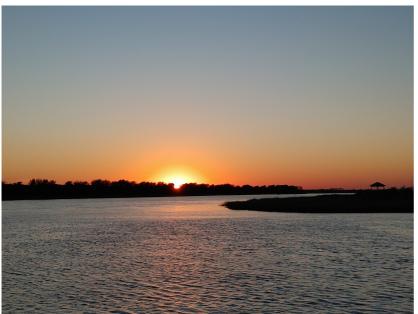
Debbie R. is working through the local history museum, the MARC, with Valencia Abbott, teacher at the Early College High School, on a project called the Rural Experience in America. Partly funded by a grant Abbott was awarded from the National Council for History Education (NCHE) and Library of Congress, the project will focus on rural education in Rockingham County during the Jim Crow Era (1920-1970).

Any of our members who went to schools in Rockingham County during these years would be very welcome as participants in the oral history interviews and would be great people for their student interns to meet!

Link to Information for Rural Experiences in America



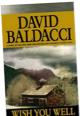




Sunset in Southport Photo submitted by Catherine M.



December	7- Jeryl R. 8- Kay D.
January	 7- Debbie R. 10- Martha D. 17- Michelle H. 22- Deborah C. 23- Tee P. 27- Lynne H.
February	23- Wendy C.



Book Recommendation from Carolyn Lester

"Although known for his novels of suspense, David Baldacci has written a wonderful novel titled, <u>Wish You</u> <u>Well</u> about life in the Virginia mountains with its hardships and joys. If you enjoyed <u>The Book Woman</u> <u>of Troublesome Creek</u>, then this is a "must read!"

24- Hilda P.

As a side note, David and his wife have established a foundation to support family and adult literacy programs in the United States titled the <u>Wish You Well Foundation</u>."

Alpha Delta News Editor C. Massengale <u>Contact Request</u> Book images from Amazon.com--all other non-DKG images provided by Alpha Delta Members or Canva Education

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Delta Chapter October 7, 2022 Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met October 7, 2022 in a hybrid meeting at Calvary Baptist Church in Wentworth, NC. Hostesses were Donna R., chair; Melissa B., and Deborah C.. Twentytwo members participated with one using the Zoom program. Melissa B. operated the audio and video connections check. Co-President Debbie R. welcomed everyone and introduced guest Region VII Director Mary Pickett. Marguerite H. led the collect and response. Membership Chair Winky P. led a memorial presentation honoring Kathryn Scott that included her educational and community accomplishments, her wonderful sense of humor, and chapter members' remembrances. Following a catered meal, Region VII Director Mary Pickett contributed remarks about the state's Teacher of the Year winner.

Co-President Tee P. conducted the business meeting. Susan T. made the motion to accept the May minutes, with Nell Rose's second. Rachel Scott made the motion to accept the meeting agenda, with Winky Pasour's second. Co-Treasurer W. Smith reported all chapter paper work was filed. Co-Treasurer Rachel S. reported \$7849.87 in checking, with a savings consisting of \$4328.57.

Committee Reports

Finance – Susan T. verified that the summer chapter audit of the treasury account found it to be accurate. She requested committee chairs to turn in their budget requests to the finance committee.

Social – Sandra D. announced the December meeting will be at Main Street United Methodist Church. The meal will be catered. Bring auction items for the Grant in Aid.

Leadership Development – Carol H. identified an available March Caraway workshop. Keep in mind possible book club reading suggestions. For interested members there is a Blanton biography. Membership – Winky P. thanked the members who have helped her adjust to the new role of committee chairperson.

Educational Law and Policy – Marguerite H. reviewed the dates and locations for early voting in Caswell and Rockingham Counties.

Beginning Teacher Support – Debbie R. reported that the mini grant applications are ready for distribution.

President's Report

Russell reviewed a few corrections to the updated handbook inserts. In new business, Melissa B. made the motion for Alpha Delta to sponsor one volunteer a month to help at the Rockingham County Parent Resource Center. Marguerite H. seconded the motion. A sign-up sheet for volunteers was passed around.

Co-Presidents Tee P. and Debbie R. presented a program on restoring joy. The pandemic has affected the mental health of many people. Members were given a pen and note pad to record ideas on 1) taking care of one's self 2) helping care for others 3) letting others help you. Things that give one joy were also to be listed. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeryl Rice, Secretary