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From The President

Don't you love this time of year! People are more loving, more generous, and just more _____. You can fill in the blank. Hopefully that blank is a positive one.

Of course, another thing I love about this time of year is our DKG auction. It is probably our most enjoyable meeting and definitely our most amusing. We just never know what our legendary auctioneer, Rachel Scott, will have as the ultimate surprise item(s), but it is definitely always unique. I hope all of you plan to come and join in the fun. Remember to bring your items to auction... the more the better. The more items we have, the more money we raise for our scholarship fund. Don't forget the all important pocketbook, but of course, the pocketbook won't be of any good unless you have cash or a check in it. Regardless, bring your auction items, money, and a food dish (since this meal is not catered). For those of you who work or are very busy, just purchase something and bring it. I look forward to seeing you at First Baptist Church in Eden on December 6. Remember the time change – 5:30 for fellowship and 6:00 for the meal. Come prepared to have FUN, FUN, FUN!

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One last item is the 2020 Convention. We would love to see as many of you as possible to attend. If you choose to spend the night, Embassy Suites in Greensboro is now taking reservations. Just remember to mention DKG when making the reservations.

Wanda Smith

President



December Meeting

Our December DKG meeting will be on Friday, December 6, 2019. We will meet at First Baptist Church in Eden, NC. The address is 511 Greenwood St., Eden, NC 27288. We will have social time at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. Please bring your favorite party dish/finger food to share during the dinner hour.

Following our dinner, we will have our annual Alpha Delta Christmas Auction. Please bring an item or items for this auction. All proceeds raised will go to our scholarship fund. If you are unable to attend, please consider making a donation to the scholarship fund.

We hope you are able to attend this fun meeting and look forward to seeing you!!



We were delighted to have Dr. Teresa McGowan as our guest and speaker at our October meeting. Dr. McGowan has a great love for DKG and offered an inspirational talk on the NC DKG theme "Ready, Set, Grow!"



Treasurer Report
October 4, 2019—November 28, 2019

Opening Balance:		\$7,043.53
Income:	23 meals	\$345.00
	2 new member dues	173.00
	2 meals	30.00
Total Available:		\$ 7,592.03
Expenses:		
	Holiday Inn (1 night for State President)	\$187.04
	Aaron Patterson (28 meals)	280.00
	Prospect UMC (Honorarium)	50.00
	Bonnie Brewer (Flowers Induction)	37.95
	DKG International (2 new member dues)	80.00
	Rockingham Co. Schools PRC (Printing)	20.00
	NC State Org. (2 new member dues)	30.00
	NC State Org. (2 new member fees)	7.00
	Award Concept (2 pins)	39.25
	Myra Aderholdt, Convention Treasurer	25.00
	(Hospitality Room for Convention)	
Total Expenses		\$756.24
Ending Balance:		\$6,835.79
Grant in Aid Balance:		\$3,677.52



Delta Kappa Gamma Society
Alpha Delta Chapter
October 4, 2019
Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of DKG met October 4, 2019 at Prospect United Methodist Church, Yanceyville, NC. Twenty-six members and two guests Dr. Teresa Cowan and Bonnie Golden attended. Hostesses were Chair Martha Davis, Evangelina Balmori, Susan Lassiter, Cindy Sarwi, and Kristy Spencer. The members enjoyed a catered meal.

The Induction Committee members Bonnie Brewer, Lynne Haynes, Susan Lassiter, and Hilda Purgason conducted the ceremony for new members Carolyn Rutledge and Casey Tuttle. State President Dr. Teresa Cowan presented the program emphasizing concepts from the John Maxwell book *How Successful People Grow*. She spoke on how to build DKG chapter membership. Dr. Cowan presented new members Rutledge and Tuttle with a pottery gift. She gave President Wanda Smith gardening gloves symbolic for growing the Alpha Delta chapter.

President Smith conducted the business meeting. The May minutes were approved. Rachel Scott and Deborah Crumpton reminded everyone that the treasurers report is published in the newsletter. The ending balance is \$7043.52 with the Grant in Aid \$3178.58. The President's Report included a thank you to the Social Committee Chair Sandra Dickens and the hostesses. She reported on the Fall Executive Board meeting she attended. Emphasis was placed on planning for the upcoming state convention. She also complimented the success of the chapter's summer book club meeting.

Committee Reports

Induction Committee Chair Bonnie Brewer thanked everyone involved in the ceremony for their assistance

Nominations Committee Chair Debbie Russell encouraged members to consider an officer position for the next term.

Leadership Committee Debbie Russell thanked the membership for the success of the school supplies donation project being given to chapter teachers.

Rules Update Committee Chair Debbie

Grant in Aid/Scholarship Committee Chair Patsy Snyder announced the upcoming distribution of scholarship applications to the high school guidance departments.

Social Committee Chair Sandra Dickens thanked the hostesses and announced the December meeting will meet at First Baptist Church in Eden. Bring finger foods and auction items. Beginning Teacher Support Committee Chair Carol Holcomb said the applications for the two new teacher \$200 grants will be due soon.

Membership Committee Chair Nell Rose read four resignation letters from members Megan Robertson, Kasey Pruitt, Holly Williamson, Carla Rierson, and Amy Wilson. Membership milestones in 10 year increments were recognized. Hilda Purgason was the longest serving Alpha Delta member in attendance with 50 years.

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Schools for Africa Committee Chair Kristy Spencer shared a geography activity on the African nations.

World Fellowship Committee Chair Tania Martin reminded everyone to be collecting materials for the Used Book Sale in May.

New Business

DKG Educational Foundation handouts for the 101 Donations Challenge was distributed. President Smith recognized Second Vice President Patsy Snyder for donating the two Alpha Delta state convention door prizes. First Vice President Teresa Price will be collecting items representing Rockingham/Caswell Counties to make up a state convention gift basket.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeryl Rice, Secretary

Welcome to Our New Members

Alpha Delta Chapter of DKG inducted two new members at our October meeting. Welcome to Carolyn Rutledge and Casey Tuttle.



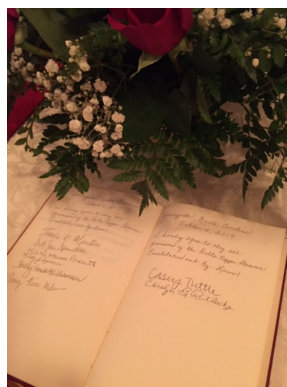
New Members
Carolyn Rutledge



Alpha Delta President,
Wanda Smith
NC State DKG President
Teresa Cowan
Tee Price



NC DKG President
Dr, Susan McGowan



For more photos go to Alpha Delta Chapter web site at:

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

Active Classroom Teachers Feted

Members brought classroom materials to be shared by the active classroom teachers in the chapter. Many useful items were brought and happy teachers went home knowing that they are supported by their fellow chapter members.



A Message from Our State President

“Mutualistic Interactions with the Community”

You might be asking yourself what is a mutualistic interaction? See if this helps. Remember the first time you saw the tiny birds riding on the rhinos' backs, eating bugs off their hides? Or, the tiny fish swimming and living in a shark's mouth, eating debris from the shark's teeth? Well, I am sure neither example makes you think NC DKG Ready, Set, GROW! but let me put a spin on it for you by offering three mutualistic interactions with the community involving NC DKG members.

Spring 2019: The Black Mountain Center for the Arts welcomed local NC DKG members into the pottery studio free of charge for over 30 hours. Under the volunteer tutelage of potter Sarah Anne Eller, over 800 convention gifts were handcrafted for attendees of the DKG Society International Arts and Humanities Conference - Asheville.

Fall 2019: Members of NC DKG contributed over \$2,300 to the **Dollar\$ for Dorian** Campaign beginning at the Fall Executive Board meeting and funds continue to be received. A donation will be made to the Ocracoke School on Ocracoke Island.

Fall 2019: Headquarters now has a beautiful brick entry in the front of the building (see page 5). This is thanks to the efforts of many (individuals and chapters who purchased bricks, Headquarters committee members who coordinated the project, etc.) but what about the brick mason? The brick mason, Brian Woodard of BW Masonry and Construction, completed this incredible undertaking free of charge.

Mutualistic interactions benefit each member involved. It is clear that NC DKG benefitted in the pottery situation but what did the Center and the potter receive from this interaction? The Center was pleasantly surprised when a financial donation was made to the studio, and the potter was quoted as saying, “just spending time with friends was payment enough.” As for Dollar\$ for Dorian and the bricks project, the benefits are similar while unique. Donors often become recipients. That is what happened recently as our state announced newly available funds for persons in need. And, Brian, who gave so much time and energy, was himself overwhelmed when he was gifted with his engraved brick to place among those he had labored over for days to finalize his labor of love.

Mutualistic interactions in the community are showcased in every component of Ready, Set, GROW! Just take time to stop, pay attention and notice them.

Dr. Teresa H. Cowan

NC DKG President
2019-2021

Every Member Vote

Ad Hoc Committee Update

Currently, only those present at the annual convention can vote on amendments to the Bylaws and Standing Rules. An ad hoc committee was appointed to explore an amendment to allow all members to vote whether they attend convention or not.

The ad hoc committee was tasked to:

- Investigate the pros and cons of every member voting on amendments to the NC DKG Bylaws and Standing Rules,
- Investigate the types of methods that might be used,
- Determine the fiscal impact, and
- Report their findings and any recommendations to the Executive Board for evaluation.

Members of the committee have reviewed NC DKG Bylaws and Standing Rules, as well as the proposed amendment, and individually recorded questions, comments, and concerns. Committee Chair Ashlee Taylor Layton explained, "Next we will come together and affinity map our results so we know where more research is needed." The committee invites everyone to share their own thoughts by emailing Ashlee at ash-es.taylor@gmail.com

Gallery of Fine Arts

Includes Many NC Works The Winter Gallery of Fine Arts, available for viewing, includes 28 works by NC DKG members. There is a link on the DKG homepage to the Gallery.

Committees Busy Growing NC DKG

NC DKG Committees are meeting, making plans, helping chapters, and **GROWing** our organization.

- The Beginning Teacher Support Committee is planning a new award—the BEE—Beginning Educator Excellence—and is revising the scholarship award to provide clearer and more definitive guidelines as to who may apply. Watch for more information soon on the NC DKG website.
- The Membership Committee is requesting the ages of all NC DKG members to help guide their plans. Presidents received an email request for help with detailed information and a link to a Google form.
- The Headquarters Committee completed the acquisition of Internet access for members using Headquarters.
- The Rules Committee is busy preparing for Standing Rules proposals due December 15 and supporting chapters revising their rules, which are due February 1, 2020.
- The Every Member Vote Ad Hoc Committee is considering a proposal that would allow every member to vote on amendments instead of only those who attend the convention.
- The Scholarship Committee is awaiting applications for two scholarships due February 1, 2020—the NC DKG Doctoral Scholarship and the NC DKG Post-Baccalaureate Scholarship. Applications are posted on the website, with links on the homepage and the Scholarship Committee page. Contact Scholarship Committee Chair Michelle Benigno with questions.



Alpha Delta Book Corner

Susan Thompson - The Only Woman in the Room and The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict.... **Wanda Smith** - Dangerous Illusions by Irene Hannon, Kiss the Girls and Make Them Cry by Mary Higgins Clark, True to You by Becky Wade, and The Night Agent by Matthew Quirk.... **Carolyn Lester** - The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love, the first in a series by Sarah Jio and All the Flowers in Paris, a story told in two voices.... **Donna Rawlins** - A New Requiem by B. Lance Perkins and Never Let You Go by Chevy Stephens.

Lantern Tour of Historic Reidsville

Did you know....that Reidsville's first family moved into the area when James Madison was President of the United States...that the railroad came through during the Civil War...that we had 15 tobacco factories and 10 tobacco leaf houses by 1885....and a casino.... And 7+ saloons...and a calaboose...and an opera house...and a dorm for female workers at American Tobacco Company...and a Chinese laundry....and many churches?

Join our 1st Lantern Tour of Historic Reidsville on Saturday, December 7th. Meet at the Mural on Scales Street at 5:00 pm for this approximately 2 hour tour sponsored by Reidsville Historic Preservation Commission. Our tour will end at City Hall where participants may enjoy light refreshments.

Make plans to attend this interesting event!!



Help Needed

The Salvation Army is in need of bell ringers. Please call to reserve a spot for a couple of hours or a full day and join with friends in this wonderful project.

Also, toy distribution day is December 16 in Eden and December 17 in Reidsville. Please call me if you can help.

Susan Thompson

Convention Dates

May 1 - 3, 2020 - NC DKG Convention, Embassy Suites Greensboro, Region VII

July 7 - 11, 2020 - International Convention, Philadelphia, PA

April 23 - 25, 2021 - NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza and Resort

July 11-14, 2022 - International Convention, New Orleans, LA

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