



## ALPHA DELTA NEWS

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

North Carolina State Organization

Region VII

Caswell/Rockingham Counties

### Ready, Set, G R O W

Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

## From The President

Convention time is right around the corner and I hope many of our members are planning to attend. Last year was my first year attending our State Convention. I have to admit it was eye opening. I learned things about our organization, I met new acquaintances, I attended workshops, and I had fun. I think it would be great for all of our members to attend the state convention at least once and there isn't a better time than 2020. It's right in our back yard (Embassy Suites, Greensboro), and you don't have to spend the night...unless you want to, of course. You can choose to attend the entire convention or just one day. The registration cost for the entire convention is \$35. One day registration is \$20 if postmarked by April 15. After April 15<sup>th</sup>, registration for the entire convention increases to \$50 and one day registration increases to \$35. The registration can be found at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSduNTz2mZBz81hKqEmElB1vurNNrv7keVEes-Uz-L3B5I4Lcg/viewform>. Since the Convention is being held in our region, each chapter in Region VII has been asked to volunteer for various jobs at the convention in order for it to run smoothly. Alpha Delta chapter has volunteered to be responsible for checking volunteers in and out.

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I hope several of you will volunteer to help with this. Laura Hines, a Beta Gamma member, has created a sign up genius using the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E094AACA6229-volunteer>. All you have to do is click on the link and then decided the times that will work best for you. They are asking for two volunteers during each time frame. Once you sign up, you will receive email reminders of what you signed up for.

Convention dates are May 1-3. There will be diverse workshops to attend, not to mention, new friends to make and good food to eat. I hope to see you there.

Wanda Smith

Alpha Delta President



### **Birthday Mix-up**

At our March meeting, members will be seated at tables with members who share the same birthday months. This is to enable us to enjoy all of our Alpha Delta members friendship rather than sit with "the same old gang."

Tables will be assigned and labeled as the following:

July and October

January

September and November

April and August

February and June

May and December

Come prepared to share and have a great time.

## **March Meeting**

The March meeting of the Alpha Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma will held on Friday, March 6, 2020. Our meeting will be held at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Reidsville NC off of Highway 14 between Reidsville and Eden on Bethlehem Church Road.

Fellowship will be at 6:00 PM and the meal will be served at 6:30 PM. Mom's Kitchen will be catering our meal. The price of the meal is \$15 which covers the cost of the meal and an honorarium for the church.

Hope to see everyone there.

### **March Meeting Menu**

Pork Chop with apricot glaze

Oo La La Potatoes

(roasted potatoes with sour cream and cheese)

Sauteed Summer Vegetables

(squash, zucchini, carrots, peppers, and onions)

Cheesecake or peach cobbler

Tea, lemonade, water

### **March Meeting Hostesses**

Nell Rose

Patsy Snyder

Donna Rawlins

Susan Thompson

Debbie Russell

Sandra Dickens

**NC DKG Convention 2020**

**May 1-3, 2020**

**Greensboro, NC**



## Alpha Delta 2019 -2020 Mini Grant Winners



Congratulations to Laura Salcedo, a third grade teacher in Caswell County who is a recipient of our Alpha Delta \$200 mini-grant. (Pictured above Laura and Alpha Delta President, Wanda Smith).



Congratulations to Fransisca Hernandez, a first grade teacher at Stoneville Elementary. She is our Rockingham County recipient of the \$200 mini-grant from Alpha Delta. (Pictured above Carol Holcomb, Beginning Teacher Support, Chair and Fransisca).

Please Note!

You are invited to the Annual Dinner at the Salvation Army. We will be honoring all our volunteers and making a report to the community about our efforts to serve the marginalized during the past year. If you have done anything to help us, please come. It is on March 12, at 5:30 pm at the Community Center on Barnes Street.

## Alpha Delta Book Corner

Some chapter members have found some time to read during this wet winter. Here are some recommendations. **Carolyn Lester** ~ The Queen of Hearts is written by Kimmery Martin, an emergency medicine doctor turned novelist, who lives in Charlotte, NC and The Words Between Us by Erin Bartola. This is a must read for anyone who treasures books and loves a mystery....**Wanda Smith** ~ I would recommend: Life After by Katie Ganshert. A novel with in depth characters and a very moving storyline. This Tender Land by William Kent Keuger. A great book about four orphans and their survival during the Great Depression....**Donna Rawlins** ~ A View Over the Rooftops by Suzanne Kelman. A wonderful story about a teacher, a student, Nazi occupation in Amsterdam, love, hope, betrayal, and sacrifice. This book was wonderful!!



## Our “Convention Basket”

Hello All,

At our October meeting, I invited each and every one of our chapter members to contribute ‘locally made’ items to the basket we are responsible for creating for this year’s DKG State Convention in Greensboro in May. Carol Holcomb has generously provided a smart-looking basket for our use, and now we need to fill it with goodies that represent Rockingham and Caswell.

I have contacted both the Directors of Tourism and Economic Development for Rockingham County, and they have some locally-made items to contribute. In addition, I am requesting a bottle of wine from the local Autumn Creek Vineyards in the western part of the county.

Other members are contributing locally-made jewelry and pottery and homemade items of their own creation.

I share these with you to help you generate ideas of items you can contribute to the cause. We have a large, lovely basket to fill, so any and all locally-made items are welcomed as we represent our counties.

March 6th is our last DKG meeting before the convention, so those of you who have or will have items to share by that date, please bring them with you to the meeting. For any items to be included in the project after that date, we will need to set up a pick-up time and place to meet by the end of March, if possible.

Thank you for your help as we show the rest of the state what we’re locally made of through this project.

Tee Price

## Headquarters is 2020 Convention Project

Region VII has chosen NC DKG Headquarters as the 2020 Convention Project. Cash or checks will be accepted.

Nancy Teague, Convention Chair, and Region VII committee members chose Headquarters because of its value to our organization and its ongoing maintenance needs.

NC DKG’s charter hangs on Headquarters’ wall, alongside pencil etches of all state past presidents and a beautiful handmade quilt depicting each chapter in NC. Headquarters’ budget is self-supporting and depends on chapter and individual contributions, gifts, memorials, and investments to maintain its health.

Headquarters, dedicated in 1999, experienced some well and pump issues last year and, as with any facility that age, there will continue to be expected and unexpected maintenance needs. The annual budget may not account for all the needs, so Headquarters makes a good convention project.



## December Minutes

Delta Kappa Gamma Society  
Alpha Delta Chapter  
December 6, 2019  
Minutes

The Alpha Delta Chapter of DKG met December 6, 2019 at First Baptist Church, Eden, NC. Twenty-one members attended. Hostesses were Chair Catherine Massengale, Deborah Crumpton, Carolyn Lester, and Lynda Perry. The members enjoyed Christmas finger foods and sweets.

Lynne Haynes presented information on the educational reading benefits that can be gained when using pet therapy with children. She is volunteering in the community with her dog Sandy who is certified by the Alliance of Therapy Dogs.

President Wanda Smith called the business meeting to order. The October 2019 minutes were presented in the newsletter and approved. Rachel Scott's treasury report was also included in the chapter newsletter. President Smith thanked the hostesses.

### Committee Reports

Nominations Debbie Russell reminded members that the committee will be contacting people to serve as next term's officers.

Scholarship Patsy Snyder delivered Grant in Aid applications to the school guidance offices.

Social Sandra Dickens thanked hostesses and announced the March meeting location will be Bethlehem Methodist Church.

Beginning Teacher Support Carol Holcomb announced the new Grant recipients are Laura Salcedo of Caswell County and Francisco Hernandez of Rockingham County. They will receive \$200 each. The committee recommended the remainder of the Beginning Teacher Support budgeted money (\$100) be awarded to the five other applicants for \$20 each. Debbie Russell made an amendment to the committee motion to add \$150 from the treasury to the allotted \$100 (total \$250) in order to give \$50 each to the five applicants. The committee recommendation with amendment passed unanimously.

Membership Nell Rose recognized Marguerite Holt's 50 years as a member of Alpha Delta Chapter.

Following the business meeting, the Scholarship Committee conducted the annual chapter auction to raise funds for the Grant in Aid. Rachel Scott served as auctioneer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeryl Rice, Secretary

**Congratulations** to Evangelina Balmori who was honored by the National Beta Club for serving as a Beta Sponsor for 40 at the Virginia Senior State Convention. She states, "I was presented with a rocking chair by the National office on February 14. At the Senior North Carolina Beta Convention I was recognized for being a Sponsor for 40 years. That Convention was held on February 6 in Greensboro. I was given a plaque for giving the Spanish academic test for many years. I actually started given that test in North Carolina before it was a National test. I have been giving that test for around 30 years."

## Treasurer's Report

November 28, 2019 - February 28, 2020

Opening Balance	\$6,835.79
<b>INCOME</b>	
Auction	2,236.00
Transfer from GIA to cover 2019 recipient check—2nd half	<u>500.00</u>
Total Income	<u>\$2,736.00</u>
Total Available	\$9,571.79
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
First Baptist Church Eden (Honorarium)	50.00
Catherine Massengale (Paper Products)	37.70
2018-2019 Mini-Grants, \$200 each: Fransisca Hernandez & Laura Salcedo.	400.00
2018-2019 Mini-Support Gift Kimberly Meeks, Hayleigh Hall, Jenna Ellington, Kristen Martin, Walter Moore	250.00
Mattie Thomas 2019 GIA recipient (2nd half)	500.00
US Fund for UNICEF	50.00
Rockingham Co. Reading	75.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<u>\$1,362.70</u>
Transfer to GIA	1,118.00
<b>ENDING BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$7,091.09</b>
<b>GRANT IN AID BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$3,797.98</b>

**Love is in the Air and It is Contagious!**

*Tobey Worthington, NC DKG First Vice-President*

Empower, Engage, and Create a love for DKG and your fellow chapter members. Show love to Beginning Teacher Support, Schools for Africa projects, community outreach projects, families in need, the elderly...whatever your chapter has chosen ! Create and implement your well-defined programs and projects with love.

With love, all things **GROW**.

## A Message From Our State President, Dr. Teresa Cowan



Ready, Set, **G R O W** !! In Action

See How We **GROW!**

**“Serendipity - It is a DKG Thing!”**

DKG’s Founders crafted its core values and goals that laid the foundation of the Society in 1929. Once a foundation was laid, it was time for pillars to be constructed. DKG members view the seven purposes as the “pillars” of the Society. But like all solid structures, there is a cornerstone of sorts. Purpose 1—“To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship”—is that cornerstone for DKG. Can you see how Purpose 1 and NC DKG Ready, Set, GROW! bring serendipitous moments into the lives of DKG members? Let me offer first-hand experiences that showcase this purpose while capturing Ready, Set, GROW!

**Summer 2019:** An NC DKG member volunteered to demonstrate the art of loom weaving at the DKG Arts & Humanities Conference in Asheville. When completed it was placed in the Marketplace for sale. The piece was priced to sell but plans had been made to auction if needed. In the end, the auction resulted in four times the amount for which it was originally marked; the recipient (a DKG member from TN) and the weaver have now become dear DKG sisters, and the Society benefited from the proceeds as the funds were donated to the DKG Emergency Fund.

**Winter 2020:** A badge order arrived in Region XI from a Region IV member. The recipient of the order noticed the name of the purchaser was the exact name of a person she taught with years ago but had not seen or heard from in ages. She was also scheduled to visit that person’s chapter in the next two weeks and, interestingly, the purchaser just became a member late last year. When the two connected it was like they were still standing at their old school.

**Since last spring:** My father was born in a small city in North Carolina . . . a city I had never been to until last spring. Now, not only have I visited the city, I have developed friendships with persons that are long-time residents of that city. These octogenarian women have taken me into their homes on numerous nights as my NC DKG responsibilities take me across this long state. This midway safe haven has been my home away from home, and their nurturing hospitality makes me ever thankful that they are in my life.

Serendipity is the phenomenon of finding valuable or pleasant things that are not looked for. Purpose #1 though is just that purposeful. So, we do look for fellowship in DKG. But it is so much more. The examples above showcase how genuine spiritual fellowships can take us across state, regional and generational boundaries. If you take time to reflect upon moments in your DKG life when things happen that you cannot explain, chalk them up to Serendipity ! It is a DKG thing! Dr. Teresa H. Cowan NC DKG President Dr. Beverly Hall (TN President), Elaine Warwick (SER Director), Patricia Pemberton (NC DKG Delta Rho, weaver), Dr. Teresa Cowan (NC DKG President)

See How We GROW!

*Dr. Teresa H. Cowan*

NC DKG President

## International Convention News

### Doctoral Recognition in Philadelphia

Members who have completed their doctoral degrees between July 1, 2018 –June 30, 2020, will be recognized and honored at the 2020 DKG International Convention in Philadelphia. To be recognized, members must submit the following documentation by April 30, 2020.

~ A copy of the dissertation inside cover page with the appropriate faculty signatures.

~A copy of the inside cover page with the name of the author, title of the dissertation, particular degree earned, and date it was conferred.

This information may be sent in any of the three following ways:

1. An electronic file source such as Proquet.
2. An email attachment sent to [lishf@dkg.org](mailto:lishf@dkg.org)
3. Printed copies mailed to The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Attn: Phyllis Hickey, 416W. 12th Street, Austin, TX 78701



#### April

Paige McCargo - 19

Carolyn Rutledge -

#### May

Norma Williams - 6

Nell Rose - 15

Marguerite Holt - 19

Susan Thompson - 31

### Golden, LePoint Head Convention Speakers List

Jane Golden and Olympia LePoint will be the keynote speakers for the 2020 DKG Convention in Philadelphia this summer. Golden, speaker for the second General Session on Wednesday, July 8, is Director of Mural Arts Philadelphia, the largest public art program in the US.

LePoint, keynote speaker at the third General Session on July 9, is an award-winning rocket scientist, science entertainer and educator. She is "Answers Unleashed" podcast host and recognized for her TED Talks and appearances on CNS, NBC, PBS, The CW, Oprah.com., and more

Read more about Golden and LePoint on the Speakers link of the Convention webpage. You need to be logged in to see that page.

### DKG International Convention

July 7-11, 2020

Philadelphia, PA

#### Dates of Interest

NC DKG Convention, Greensboro, NC

May 1-3, 2020

#### Summer Training for 2020-2022 Leaders

Friday, June 26 - Greensboro

Saturday, June 27 - Wilson

Tuesday, June 30 - Black Mountain

#### Stay Connected

**International Website:** [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

**Eta State NC Website:** [www.ncdkg.org](http://www.ncdkg.org)

**Facebook:** Delta Kappa Gamma

**Alpha Delta Web Site:**

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