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Mission Statement

The Delta Kappa Gamma International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Presidents' Corner



It's that time of year to reflect on what Delta Rho accomplished in 2023: February nominated and voted on new members (and inducted 4 new members in May); March "Beginning Life with Books" Spelling Bee celebrated 23 years of raising funds to purchase Goodnight Moon to give to newborn babies born at CCH, had 34 teams (7 new teams) participating, provided funds for 8 literacy grants; July/August-provided teacher supply bags to all new beginning teachers in LCS and distributed them at the New Teacher Orientation meeting; Christmas Bazaar-raised

more than \$1,000 for our grant-in-aid scholarship from the silent auction.

We had some firsts this year. For the first time, our recipient of our Recruitment grant-in-aid came from CCCC's University Transfer Program (Associate in Arts -Teacher Preparation and Associate in Science -Teacher Preparation). We had our Christmas Bazaar in Sanford at Jonesboro United Methodist church.

Some areas are always going to be works-in-progress. Membership is one area. We gained four new members this year but we also lost active and reserve members. Julie and Ginger, membership co-chairs, have worked hard planning the orientation meeting and "mini" socials (ice cream and dinner socials (Elizabeth's Pizza and Davidson's). Leadership is a major issue. Finding members to be officers has always been an issue. For the first time we have co-presidents. We have 2 officers' positions filled now - Recording Secretary and President. We need members to serve as Corresponding Secretary and First and Second Vice-President.

As we finish this year, let's make our successful activities even better and work on leadership and membership - inducting new members, keeping our members, and making our members feel special for being a Delta Rho member as well as a person of many talents.

Linda Truitt

Patricia Pemberton

Co-Presidents, Delta Rho



Meeting Calendar

*Saturday, February 3, 2024, 9:00am
First Calvary Baptist Church
240 Fields Dr.*

*Monday, March 18, 2024
Delta Rho Spelling Bee
Jonesboro United Methodist Church*

*Thursday, May 2, 2024, 5:30pm
Jonesboro Presbyterian Church
220 Woodland Ave.*



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Christmas Bazaar

This year's Christmas Bazaar was held at the Jonesboro United Methodist Church in Sanford on December 2nd. This is the first time the bazaar has been held in Sanford since 2004.

The joint meeting with Gamma Sigma chapter and Delta Rho made over \$2000; Delta Rho's share is \$1234. Gigi's provided the brunch meal and dessert.

Spelling Bee

Our Spelling Bee is coming up Monday, March 18 at The Wesley Center of Jonesboro UMC. We need individually wrapped chips, crackers, and cookies for our team snacks. We are also in need of gift cards/certificates as door prizes. These can be \$5, \$10, or if you are feeling generous, we could have a larger one OR gift basket that we could sell \$1 tickets for to raise more money. Gift cards to local shops help support our community such as Books at a Steal, Shops at Steele Street, Family Grounds Coffee Shop, Millie's Mama Bakes Bakery, Sandra's Bakery, etc. For larger amounts, La Dolce Vita, Quik Bites, Camelback, Funky Frogs, etc. are all great sources! Starbucks cards are always a big hit, too, as well as Little Caesar's and Domino's. Please feel free to bring any snack and gift card donations to our February meeting and I will store them until the day of the Bee.

The day of the Bee, we will need help setting up at JUMC. We will start around 12:30p.m. - it usually goes pretty quickly! If you have access to a portable air compressor that we can use for quickly inflating the balloons, we'd love to borrow it for the afternoon.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions! Thank you for always going above and beyond to support this wonderful cause!
~Gwen Babcock

Birthdays:

January: Kathryn Parker 1/5, Betty Caldwell 1/5, Susan Brooks Gaster 1/28.

February: Donna Dowdy 2/7, Janice Thompson 2/7, Mary Hawley Oates 2/15, Wendy Bryant Motley 2/20, Karen Huey 2/21.

March: Amanda Carter 3/20, Renate Gibson 3/22, Amy McDonald 3/30.

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2024 CONVENTION ITEMS

Vendors

[Vendor applications](#) are required for all members or chapters requesting tables for the convention Marketplace. Payment can be made by credit card or by check. Forms are available at the link above or scan this QR code to access the application.

Submit your application by March 15!



Program Ads

Convention program ads are a way to highlight chapter achievements, honor members, promote projects, and support NC DKG in the process. You may design your own ad or program editor [Carol Bostian](#) can help you. Find costs, ad dimensions and details on the convention program ad form on the NC DKG website or use the QR code below. Members or chapters that submit an ad will receive on print copy of the 2024 program book to be



picked up at the convention. The official program will also be

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NC DKG Website:
www.ncdkg.org

Delta Rho Website
<http://deltarhosanfordnc.weebly.com>

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available online. Deadline is March 15, 2024!

Workshop Proposals

Got a topic you'd like to share with fellow NC DKG members? Then complete the 2024 NC DKG Convention Workshop Proposal Form now by clicking on the link in this sentence or scanning this QR code!



Submit your proposal by February 15!

Hotel Reservations

Register [here](#) for the group rate of \$119.00 per night at the Sheraton Imperial Raleigh-Durham Airport at Research Triangle Park. The group rate runs from April 25 through April 28. Place your room reservations by March 21 to get this rate!

Convention Registration

Mark your calendars now - registration for convention opens February 1, 2024! Early Bird Registration will end April 9, 2024.

Everyone must register - award recipients, guests, presenters, and volunteers.

When registration opens an interactive form will be available here or you can scan the QR code.



Delta Rho News

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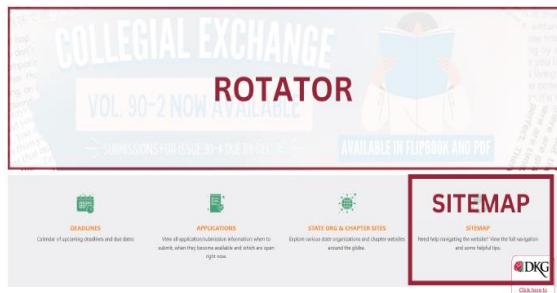
DKG News Available Now

The January/February 2024 issue of [DKG News](#) was recently published. This issue contains information on the candidates for international leadership positions in 2024-2026, information on New Year's Resolutions, and Chapter Culture and Structure Aid in Member Recruitment and Retention.

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Mark the Dates

- Feb. 15 Convention workshop proposals due
- Feb. 16 DKG Membership Engagement Survey due
- Mar. 1 ROSE Awards, Golden Key Award, and Rising Star Award nominations due
- Mar. 1 Newsletter Excellence, Website Excellence, and/or Communications Excellence Award forms due
- Mar. 1 International Achievement Award nominations due
- Mar. 1 DKGIEF Project applications due
- Mar. 1 *Bulletin: Journal* submissions due
- Mar. 4 ASK Time for chapter presidents
- Mar. 10 Applications due for NCDKGEF Gray and Harrell Scholarships
- Mar. 15 Convention vendor applications due
- Mar. 15 Convention program ads due
- Mar. 31 Group rate for convention hotel ends
- Apr. 9 Early Bird convention registration ends
- Apr. 26-28 NC DKG Convention, Durham
- June 13 *Building Competency in Planning and Teaching Financial Well-being* seminar



Convention Dates

- April 26-28, 2024** — NC DKG Convention, Durham
- July 9-13, 2024** — International Convention, National Harbor, Maryland
- June 30-July 4, 2026** — International Convention, Aurora, Colorado