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## **Mission Statement**

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

### President's Corner



What did we learn from last year?

We can and did:

- have our meetings (virtually) just like always but with a different look. (Thanks to all members who "attended" these meetings.)
- fund our Recruitment Grant-in-aid with a raffle for a beach trip (Thanks to Terry Norris) and give the grant to a senior (Thanks to the Recruitment committee).
- finalize our Limited Endowment and will submit a grant application in September 2021 for funds from our endowment for our literacy project (Thanks to the Ad Hoc Limited Endowment committee).

- celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a DKG chapter (Thanks to Reinette for letting us use her pool house)
- provide Goodnight Moon to parents of newborn babies at CCH with continued community and spelling bee teams' support (Thanks to the spelling bee teams and community donations)
- provide new teacher baskets to new first year teachers in Lee County (Thanks to the Beginning Teacher Support committee).

We survived 2020-2021 with the help of our members. Our chapter will continue to be successful as we work together. Thanks to all of you for what you do for Delta Rho, NC DKG, and DKG.

*<u>Línda Truítt</u>* President, Delta Rho



*Thursday October 7, 2021 5:30pm First Baptist Family Life Center* 

Saturday December 4, 2021 9:00am Country Club of Whispering Pines

Saturday February 5, 2022 9:00am First Calvary Baptist Church

Monday March 28, 2022 5:30pm Spelling Bee Dennis Wicker Center

Thursday May 5, 2022 5:30pm Jonesboro Presbyterian Church



**Chapter Project** 

Our summer project is providing beginning teachers with a basket of teacher supplies. The first year we provided beginning teachers with classroom supplies was the summer of 2013. We delivered 84 teacher baskets. Even with the COVID restrictions in place last year, we were able to deliver 53 baskets to the Lee County School's administrative office; county office personnel delivered these baskets to the schools to be given to the beginning teachers.



Delta Rho begins working on this project in July. Wendy Bryant Motley, Beginning Teacher committee chairman, sends a list of supplies needed for the basket. Throughout the month, members bring the supplies to Wendy's house. On August 5, members met at Wendy's house to put the baskets together. We also included Delta Rho's Chapter brochure, an application for the Lee County Literacy Grant sponsored by Delta Rho, and a cover letter. On August 13, we delivered 61 baskets to the beginning teachers during their New Teacher Orientation.



**Next meeting information** - October 7 at 5:30 pm at First Baptist Family Life Center. Bring money for the money jars, bragging, and "The Play's The Thing" raffle.

**Program** - Aimee Petraca, principal of W. B. Wicker, will present a program about the STEAM program. The membership committee will conduct the red rose ceremony for the 2020-2021 new members (Abbie Brummett, Amanda Carter, Debra Groce, Valerie Johnson, and Mildred Smith) and the 2021-2022 new members (Beverly Browne, Mamie Beane, and April Woody).

**Committee Reports** - Fundraising-Remember to start getting your silent auction items ready for the Christmas Bazaar Dec. 4 at Pine Needles Resort in Southern Pines.

Nominations-Contact Emily Lucas if you are interested in serving as a 2022-2024 officer (President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary). If you are currently an officer and you want to continue serving in that position or serving in another position, let Emily know.

**Celebrations** - On August 13, Delta Rho members delivered 61 teacher baskets to the beginning teachers at the Lee County New Teacher orientation held at San-Lee Middle Schools.

The Ad Hoc Limited Endowment Committee completed the NC DKG Educational

Foundation grant application this summer. Emily has received notification the grant application has been received.

Wendy Bryant Motley is West Lee's 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year.

**Birthdays** - *September:* Reinette Stephenson 9/21 and Jeanne Buie 9/25; *October:* Melanie Hawes 10/1, Sue Cox 10/12, and Lisa Brown 10/20.



#### NC DKG Takes the Alamo City 2021 International Conference - San Antonio

A small, but enthusiastic group of members represented NC DKG at The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Conference in San Antonio, Texas, July 22-24. DKG President Becky Sadowski welcomed more than 500 women educators from all over the United States to celebrate the "DKG: Opportunities • Contributions • Impact" that members have realized because of their membership in the Society. Those who traveled to the Alamo City enjoyed food, fellowship, laughter, lessons, and incredible memories as they reconnected with DKG members and friends.

#### **TEAM Work in Atlanta Membership/Expansion Chair** Susie Miller

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International presented a three-dav pilot Leadership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. DKG team members from Mexico, the Philippines, Baja California, and many states in the US, including six NC DKG leaders, attended the training on July 30 through August 1, 2021. The training included presentations for state organization presidents educational (Beth Winstead), excellence committee chairs (Hilda Parlér), executive secretaries (Elizabeth Miars), treasurers (Leslie Black), and membership committee chairs (Susie Miller). NC DKG Past President Connie Savell was a presenter for the international membership committee.

One of the most significant takeaways from this training was TEAM-building and fellowship for the leaders as NC DKG begins planning for a new biennium.

TEAM is an acronym for the following: T - Time – success comes from the time you devote to your work; Talk – communicate! E - Energy – be positive; Enlightenment – find resources on the DKG website A - Assistance – be willing to help and ask for help; Action – make plans and put them into action M - Mentoring – build connections; Members – your work strengthens the membership Regardless of your position in DKG, you are part of at least one TEAM. Working together will result in success for your chapter, state, and international organization.

#### **Important Dates**

October 27, 2021 – NC DKG Founders Day November 1, 2021 – *NC DKG News* deadline March 28, 2022 - Delta Rho Spelling Bee Dennis Wicker Center 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, NC



# 2021-2023 Theme "Linking the Past, Present and Future"



**Beth Winstead** 

#### State President 2021-2023

Welcome to the 2021-2023 biennium. My theme for the biennium is "Linking the Past, Present and Future". I want us to remember to honor and celebrate all those women before us - the ones who founded DKG when it had to be done in secret; who lead us through divisive times; who first took the steps into technology; and who helped keep us afloat when we had to dive into the deep end of the virtual world. One of the best ways we can honor those before us is to continue to ensure that NC DKG thrives and continues now and into the future. We must continue to grow in membership but also to grow the leaders of the future.

This first year of my biennium I plan to focus on three main areas:

**Membership** Recruit, Retain and Reinstate

- Are we being honest with those we recruit that DKG is a working organization?
- Are we recognizing when a member might be in a stage of their life that they need to be less active but have more support?
- Have we reached out to a member we lost that might be ready to rejoin?

FellowshipEach time we gather weneed to celebrate. It is time to renewfriendshipsandmakenewones.

**Self-Care** We each must take the time to care of ourselves physically and mentally.

I look forward to this adventure and ask each of you to join me.

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NC DKG Website: www.ncdkg.org

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

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#### Sale of International Headquarters Is Complete

DKG has been involved in the process of selling the international headquarters building for the past two years. That process has been completed, and the sale was final on September 1, 2021. The conversations surrounding next steps will now transition into action as the Administrative Board finalizes plans to move to a new site.

A meeting of the International Administrative Board was called in August to determine a plan for the transition to a new office space. The Board determined it would be in the Society's best interests to lease office space for the immediate future. Due to the dynamic nature of the Austin area real estate market, an ad hoc committee was appointed to approve potential lease options.

Members may inquire about how the proceeds from the sale will be managed or used. Because the building is considered a permanent asset, the proceeds from the sale of it were appropriately deposited into the Permanent Fund of the Society. The Constitution defines in Article IV how the monies in the Permanent Fund may be used and will be the guide for any future use of the sale proceeds.

A previously appointed ad hoc committee, consisting of board members, members, and staff, is working on a recommendation regarding archiving, preserving and keeping, moving, selling and/or disposing of the furnishings and other items in the building. The recommendation from that committee will be considered by the Board during its next meeting. Under a lease agreement, the building will be occupied by DKG for six months after the sale. While the six months provides some time to consider all viable options, DKG leaders also realize that time will not allow them to move too slowly. And so, the journey to a new site continues forward with increasing momentum.



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