



## *DELTA RHO NEWS*

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### ***Mission Statement***

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

DKG Administrative Board approved a Membership Consultant to help develop strategies to assist the DKG Society, state organizations, and chapters to engage members and strengthen growth. Each month, NC DKG has a membership tip of the month in the NC Data for chapter presidents and editors.

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### ***Presidents' Corner***

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If you had walked into Elizabeth's Pizza Thursday night, you would have heard a lot of laughter and talking over the smell of delicious food. Who would have thought a group of teachers would have such a good time together. What a great way to have a relaxed atmosphere to have a "social" for Delta Rho members that wasn't a meeting. Thanks to the social committee for planning these "socials" for us. Membership is a topic of concern for International, NC DKG, and Delta Rho. DKG has lost a lot of members recently; chapters are dissolving. The

What can we do to keep our Delta Rho chapter relevant? The first step is to nominate teachers who represent the qualities of a DKG member. This is what we will do at our February meeting. The second step will be the Orientation meeting planned by the Membership committee. Julie and Ginger will schedule the orientation meeting prior to the meeting. At the orientation, prospective members will learn about DKG and Delta Rho. Hopefully, these prospective members will decide to accept our invitation to join Delta Rho. The final step will be the member induction ceremony at our May meeting.

Next comes the hard part - keeping our new members, as well as our present members, interested in Delta Rho. How do we do that?

*Linda Truitt*  
*Patricia Pemberton*  
Co-Presidents, Delta Rho



## Meeting Calendar

Saturday, February 4, 2023, 9:00am  
First Calvary Baptist Church  
240 Fields Dr.

Thursday, May 4, 2023, 5:30pm  
Jonesboro Presbyterian Church  
220 Woodland Ave.

Thursday, October 5, 2023, 5:30pm  
First Baptist Church  
202 Summitt Ave.

Saturday, December 2, 2023, 9:00am  
Pine Needles Lodge and Golf Club  
1005 Midland Rd., Southern Pines

Saturday, February 7, 2024, 9:00am  
First Calvary Baptist Church  
240 Fields Dr.

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

## Delta Rho News



### Christmas Bazaar was a SUCCESS!

The Christmas Bazaar, held jointly with the Gamma Sigma chapter at Pine Needles Lodge and Golf Club on December 3, 2022, was a success. Delta Rho's share of the proceeds was \$1,132. Thanks to all who participated.



Doris Littlejohn and Patricia Pemberton

### Social Committee Update

The Delta Rho Social Committee hosted a dinner get together at Elizabeth's Pizza on January 12, 2023.



Patricia Pemberton, Holly Brower, Abbie Brummett, and Mildred Smith were among those who gathered.

Please put the next social event on your calendar!  
\*Floating ice cream social on Friday, April 14 from 3:30 - 5:00 pm.

### Delta Rho News

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## Literacy Grant Awarded

Congratulations to Tina Harrington! She received one of Delta Rho's Literacy Grants.



**Next meeting information** – Saturday Feb 4, 2023, at 9:00 am at First Calvary Baptist Church (240 Fields Drive Sanford, NC). Program: Lee County Schools Panel and Spelling Bee Update. Hostesses: Valencia Burford, Julie Randolph, Debra Groce, Ginger Harris, Linda Truitt, and Patricia Pemberton. Invocation: Linda Truitt. Devotion: Barbara Keller.

**Birthdays: January:** Betty Caldwell 1/5, Susan 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.

## NC DKG News



### Society Representative for Convention

DKG Membership Director Patricia "Trish" Woodley will be NC DKG's Society Representative at the spring convention. Trish joined the DKG staff in 2018. She will be our speaker on Saturday evening and do a session or two on Saturday. She will bring energy to a membership focus.



## Quality Entertainment Announced for Convention

Entertainment for Friday, April 28 will be the Carolina Chord Connection, based in

Greenville. It is a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. The mixed chorus sings a capella (without instrumental accompaniment) arrangements of traditional and contemporary songs. Elaine Yontz, a member of Delta Xi, is a member of this group that will sing on Friday. Quality Entertainment Announced for Convention Entertainment for Saturday, April 29, will be students from the Littleton Academy Drum Circle in Littleton. Their teacher, Diane Colin, Gamma Chi Chapter, received funds from the Maxine and Don McCall Grant from the NC DKG Educational Foundation to purchase and upgrade drums.

The Drum Circle will play Native American, African, and Caribbean music.



## DKG News



### Board Hires Membership Consultant

Among the items listed in the recent DKG News article summarizing the actions by the DKG Administrative Board in November was approval of the hiring of Avenue M as a membership consultant. The item included: "With a steady decrease in membership, the Board recommends that membership data be evaluated deeply to appropriately address the loss in membership, decline in leadership applications, and increase in

chapter dissolutions. Analysis of data, identification of trends, and accumulation of diverse types of data from extensive sources could lead to the development of strategies to assist the Society, state organizations, and chapters in engaging members and strengthening growth.”

Read more of the context for the hiring on pages 8-9 of the Jan/Feb [DKG News](#) or in the Major Action Documents under the [Administrative Board](#) link on the About Us tab on the member side of the [DKG website](#).

## Jan/Feb DKG News Posted Online



The Jan/Feb 2023 issue of [DKG News](#) has been posted to the website. The main article focuses on the three international conferences planned for this summer in Detroit, Michigan; Phoenix, Arizona; and Tampere, Finland. “Moving Forward with Vitality, Relevance, and Sustainability in Our Changing World” will be the theme in all three. Other news includes several updates in columns from President Debbie

LeBlanc and Executive Director Nita Scott, lists of World Fellowship recipients and Society representatives, and major actions of the Administrative Board at their November 2022 meeting.

### Convention Dates

April 28 – 30, 2023 – NC DKG Convention, Greenville

July 11 – 16, 2023 – DKG Conference, Detroit, MI

July 18 – 22, 2023 – DKG Conference, Phoenix, AZ

July 26 – 29, 2023 – DKG Conference, Tampere, Finland

April 26 – 28, 2024 – NC DKG Convention, Durham

2024 – International Convention, Maryland

International Website:

[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

NC DKG Website:

[www.ncdkg.org](http://www.ncdkg.org)

Delta Rho Website

<http://deltarhosanfordnc.weebly.com>

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