

Mu Chapter News



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The President's Corner

Dear Mu Sisters,

Hopefully, you have had a wonderful summer. Many of you are back at work, and although it has been only a week or more, you are ready for Labor Day. Mu Chapter was not completely off for the summer. Four of our members attended the International Conference "Arts and Humanities" in Ashville, NC. Fun was had by all, and a full report will be coming soon. Ann Davis, our talented artist, prepared the centerpiece for one of the tables. I understand that it was sold before it ever got to a table. Awesome!

Mu Chapter Executive Board has met once already. The Committee Chairmen were excited about the coming year and full of great ideas. The Yearbook pages are being updated and should be ready for the first meeting in September.

Three members are planning to attend the NC DKG Executive Board meeting to be held in Burlington, NC, on September 14. This should be an interesting meeting with lots of information to share with the Chapter.

The theme of our new NC DKG State President, Dr. Teresa H. Cowan, is **GROW!** That is what we need to do. There is a lot of talent out there to tap into. Our organization is only as strong as the women who support it. Therefore, let's **GROW!**

To have a superior year as we did in 2018-2019, we need to have good attendance at meetings with full

be counted on to do that. Thank you for being such good role models for those new sisters entering the Field of Education.

Keep your **SPARKLE**, but don't forget to **GROW!**
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Important Dates

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

Mu Meetings: Mark your calendar!

2019

Tuesday, Sept 17 Chapter Meeting - First Christian Church, **4:45 pm Refreshments**- Scholarship & World Fellowship, Comm. & Marketing, RMHS SEE **5:00 pm Business Meeting**; 50/50 drawing; Theme: Relaxation/Beauty/Inspirational: think lotions, candles, bath wash, slippers, blankets, quoted items, etc. Program: Tobey Worthington, DKG Conferences & Resources, Projects: Items for BTs at RMHS
Thursday, Oct 17 Nominations for membership due to Kim Lehnes or Elaine Christianson
Monday, Oct 28 Chapter Meeting – First Christian Church, **4:45 pm Refreshments** – Programs. Finance, & SNHS SEE

5:00 pm Business Meeting – Budget and new members 50/50 drawing, Theme: Share the Happiness: bring items that make you happy Program: TBA

Thursday, Nov 7 Orientation for new members – First Christian Church meeting room, **5:00 pm**

Refreshments – Membership Committee/Officers

Tuesday, Nov 25 Reservations for December dinner due (Spring Hope Ladies, \$15.00)

Tuesday, Dec 3 Induction Ceremony – First Christian Church (sanctuary), **4:30 pm Dinner & Meeting** - First Christian Church (fellowship hall), **5:00 pm**

Setup/Cleanup - Membership, Fine Arts, Nominations Dinner – Catered by Spring Hope Ladies, Business Meeting; 50/50 drawing;

Theme: Drinks: mixes, coffee, tea, water, wine, etc.

Project – shoeboxes for homeless students

Thursday, Dec. 12 Christmas Caroling at Spring Arbor of RMT, 1251 S. Winstead Ave. at 4pm

Monday, Dec. 16 Christmas Caroling at Brookdale, 650 Goldrock Rd, RMT at 4:15pm

2020 –Future Dates, Mark your calendar

Tuesday, Jan 14 Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, Feb 13 Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, April 21 Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, May 28 Chapter Meeting

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Fundraising – Melissa Baker

- The committee has announced themes for each meeting this year. Bring items based on the theme and they will be auctioned off.
- Most meetings will also have a 50/50 drawing, bring you dollars!

Membership – Elaine Christianson and Kim Lehnies

- Be thinking about potential new members, nominations are due

Early Career Educators – Catherine Melle and Eva Bulluck

- Bring supplies for BTs at the September meeting

Communications and Marketing – Dr. Jackie Ennis

- Jessica Daughtridge is the FB manager, send her anything you would like to see posted on our page

Nurturing – Trish Maxwell

- Someone from this committee should be your contact person and provide you with information about upcoming events.
- If anyone has information they would like shared about an illness, death, accident, etc., please contact Trish Maxwell.

Scholarship – Vicky Deans

Various Scholarship Forms Online:

https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Apply_Submit/Applications/DKGMember/Apply_Submit/Application.s.aspx?hkey=c0537203-113c-4299-a0f8-693cf433bd54

Fine Arts - Beth Credle

- Monday, September 9th meeting with BTs
- Two caroling dates have been confirmed for December-see calendar dates

Community Projects – Reba Fulghum

- Bring supplies for BTs (list is available) to the September meeting

Programs – Rhiannon Holloman

- Please contact Rhiannon if you have ideas for future programs.

Education, Law and Policy - Malinda Pennington

Rules- Tobey Worthington

- The Rules Committee has updates to the Mu Rules to go over with members (see email)



September	6	Jeannette Pittman
	6	Delana Perry
	6	Leslie Taylor
	13	Carolyn Turner
	15	Ann Bishop
	15	Cierra Parvin
	20	Hunter Stone
	20	Katrina Joyner
	23	Barbara Mize
October	8	Judy Bradshaw
	29	Kim Lehnies

“The Only Evidence of Life is GROWTH!”

By: Dr. Teresa H. Cowan, NC DKG President

I have often heard that growth for the sake of growth is counterproductive. I believe that wholeheartedly. But I also believe and have witnessed firsthand the above quote by John O’Leary that “the only evidence of life is growth.” The 2019-2021 biennium theme, Ready, Set, GROW! is my attempt in finding balance with these two statements.

Ready, Set, GROW! captures the value of DKG tradition while welcoming the need for adaptation as we move into the future. (The future that is already here!) I used to tell my students that if you are the same at the end of the year as you were at the beginning of the year then I have failed you. My role as an educator was to assist them in adapting to middle school in order to increase their likelihood for success. I was their agent of growth. Now I see my role as NC DKG President in the same regard.

DKG is at a pivotal crossroads as a Society. What do the next 90 years look like for DKG? Will there be another 85 years for NC DKG? Those are two questions or ones similar to them that are being posed across the Society. But I believe the bigger question for each of us as members is the following:

“What are you willing to do for this Society?”

As your President, I am willing to GROW. Are you willing to join me? Are you ready to make adaptations to foster growth? Are you willing to accept adaptations to stimulate continued growth? If the words of support and encouragement I have received of late are any indication, I BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE!!!! I believe the members of NC DKG are willing to Ready, Set, GROW! personally, professionally and as an organization.

NC DKG members, I challenge you to Ready, Set, GROW! With my challenge comes a few reminders: GROWth is not easy, it can be painful, and can often get pretty messy along the way. But for those willing to “get their hands dirty,” the harvest is rewarding.

Together we can cultivate, nurture, energize, and develop as we Ready, Set, GROW!



Ed Foundation Has New Officers, Grant Applications Due Sept. 30

The Board of Directors of the NC DKG Educational Foundation elected officers for 2019-2021 at their May meeting: Sheila Groves, chair; Sharon Frazier, vice chair; Dr. Mary Cauley, secretary; and Betty Marshall, treasurer. The new officers expressed their dedication to continuing the Foundation's mission to secure funding for grants which support professional and personal development of women educators and excellence in education across NC. The grant application window for the 2019 cycle is now open. Applications are due September 30. Information on applying for grants, including guidelines and the rubric, can be found on the Foundation website at: <http://www.ncdkgef.org/grants.html>. **Mu Chapter thanks Dr. Mary Cauley for attending our chapter meeting in May to discuss the Foundation. We were proud to donate money, in her honor for her coming to speak to us.

How Does Your Membership Grow?

Contact your local school district or college enrollment office and ask to set up a marketing table at an orientation event. It is a simple, effective tool to market DKG amongst persons in education. Your Membership Tip of the Month is brought to you by the NC DKG Membership Committee, Elizabeth Miars, Chair.

Thank You NC Members!

By: Sheila Groves, 2019 International Conference Steering Committee Chair

NC DKG, you truly shared the sparkle in Asheville at the Arts & Humanities Conference! I can't imagine how that event could have been any better! A dedicated Planning Team started brainstorming ideas over a year ago and it all came together in three days of fellowship, entertainment, and learning opportunities. Chapters assembled one of-a-kind jar centerpieces, high-lighting all parts of our beautiful state. More than 80 members served in volunteer roles that kept everything moving along smoothly. Members showcased artistic talents, presented workshops, and welcomed visitors from 15 states and 2 countries with NC charm and hospitality. Thank you to everyone who planned, worked, attended, and supported the first international conference in the beautiful city of Asheville. Perfect location! Unique centerpieces! Dependable volunteers! Master artisans! Engaging speakers! Knowledge-able presenters! Awesome entertainment! North Carolina, you sure did shine!

At the September meeting Tobey Worthington will talk more about the conference in Asheville as well as in Connecticut. She will explain about what opportunities are available for members. There are many opportunities to GROW in DKG, knowing about them is the beginning.



DKG Emergency Fund is in need of donations

Rocky Mount and the surrounding areas did not receive much damage from Hurricane Dorian but other areas were devastated. Please remember to support the DKG Emergency Fund with a donation.

<https://www.dkg.org/DKGDONATE/DKGDONATE/DonateNow.aspx?itemid=ERFUND>

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

Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.

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Mu Chapter, NC DKG

Mu Chapter's website

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NC has a website

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