

Mu Chapter News



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The President's Corner

Dear Mu Sisters,

We are off to a good start. Tobey presented an interesting and informative program on the difference between a Convention and a Conference. Now we know. Hopefully, this information will motivate us to get more involved at all levels of our organization.

It was nice to see everyone and catch up on all the summer fun activities. With that done, the committees got busy planning for all the great things to come this year. It is going to be amazing.

The fall air is creeping in, and the stores are filled with Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas merchandise making it hard not to get into the holiday spirit. Furthermore, we are excited about welcoming some new members into our outstanding chapter to help us celebrate.

We are looking forward to the cookbook, 50/50, and silent auctions with special themes for each meeting. Stay involved and participate in every way that you can. Remember, this is what makes us sparkle and grow.

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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.

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

Note this change: Tuesday, Nov. 5, 5 pm Orientation for new members – First Christian Church meeting room, 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 Lehnes

- New members will be voted on at the next meeting
- Orientation is Tuesday, Nov.5

Early Career Educators – Catherine Melle and Eva Bulluck

- Supplies for BTs are always accepted and appreciated (15 at RMHS, 7 at SNHS)
- RMHS-every last Thursday of each month is a meeting with the BTs, everyone is invited

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.aspx?hkey=c0537203-113c-4299-a0f8-693cf433bd54

Fine Arts - Beth Credle

- The fine arts committee met with *new elementary teachers on October 14, 2019 at Nashville Elementary School. Two teachers from Middlesex Elementary attended the meeting and shared/discussed various classroom experiences with the group. Pat Taylor shared an arts activity that could be used in the classroom in multiple content areas, and Beth Credle led the group in playing several fun games of bingo. The next meeting will be held on November 18, 2019 at Nashville Elementary School at 4:00pm. This

meeting is open to all *new elementary teachers in the Nash-Rocky Mount Public Schools. 🍷 *lateral entry and initial license

- Tis the Season!! The Christmas sing-a-long will be held at Spring Arbor on December 12th and at Brookdale on December 16th. Both programs will begin at 4:15pm. Please mark your calendar now and plan to sing and have some Christmas fun!! 🎄🎵

Community Projects – Reba Fulghum

- Bring your show boxes to our Dec. meeting

Programs – Rhiannon Holloman

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

Education, Law and Policy - Malinda Pennington

As part of the "Ready, Set, Grow" initiative, your NC Education Law & Policy Committee is working on new ways to share information with chapters about topics of interest and helping us learn how to be effective advocates for schools, teachers, and students. With that in mind, here are some legislative updates to keep you in touch:

1. Bills to fund teacher & principal pay step increases are moving forward. Although important, the bills do not raise overall salary or address Educational Support Staff pay.
2. A bill to give state retirees a one-time .5 percent bonus each year for two years, but no permanent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) also advanced. As written this bonus will end after 2 years.

If you are interested in talking to your state representatives, you can locate their contact information at this

site: <https://www.ncleg.gov/RnR/Representation>
Rules- Tobey Worthington

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

Fall Executive Board Meeting: Patricia Taylor, Tobey Worthington and Margie Parker Brantley





Tobey Worthington presenting a program on DKG Conventions and Conferences at the September Meeting.

NEW: Online Only Registration Registration for 2020 Convention

Now Open Registration is now open for the 2020 NC DKG Convention to be held May 1-3 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Greensboro. This year registration for the convention will be done online using the Google Form found at <http://bit.ly/2020NCDKGConvention>. Payment will be by credit card or check following the directions on the form. A copy of the registration form for your records will be sent to the email address provided in the form. Registration deadline for the early bird pricing is April 15, 2020. Payment by credit card will be made using the secure online portal provided by Square. There will be a \$4.50 processing fee. An invoice from Square will be sent via email when your registration is processed. If you choose to pay by check, print the Registration Invoice that will be emailed to you and mail a check payable to NC DKG Convention to Myra Aderholdt, Convention Treasurer, 6100 Pintail Court, Oak Ridge, NC 27310-9776. If you have any questions about registration, please contact Myra at myraaderholdt@gmail.com or Cynthia Wooten, Registrar, at cynthia.wooten4@gmail.com.

Book Your Room at the Convention Hotel

In addition to being closer to all the activities, there are other benefits to staying at the convention hotel. Here are four good reasons for booking your room at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Greensboro: 1) Enjoy free breakfast (included for hotel guests) 2) Enjoy free afternoon reception and drinks (included with two drink tickets for hotel guests) 3) Enjoy a place to relax between sessions 4) Help meet the hotel block (room commitment); this helps lower the convention costs. Reserve your room now using the code DKG. Call 336-668-4535.



October	8	Judy Bradshaw
	29	Kim Lehnas
November	4	Vicky Deans
	14	Jackie Ennis
	14	Martha Johnson
	18	Ann Robbins
	22	Nancy Mooring
	24	Suzanne Downs



Celebrate a Teacher

The NC DKG Educational Foundation's 101 Donations Challenge encourages members to celebrate teachers who are making an impact in our schools and our communities by making a donation in their honor. Each NC DKG region is challenged to recognize 101 teachers with a contribution of \$10 each to the NC DKG Educational Foundation. All donations will support the Foundation's Grants Program. All of the information, forms, and Celebration Certificates are available on the Foundation website at <http://www.ncdkgef.org/101-challenge.html>.



See How We GROW!

With President Dr. Teresa H. Cowan From the Mountains to the Seas, NC DKG members and chapters are "getting their hands dirty." Let me share examples of Ready, Set, GROW! in action.

G-See Gamma Delta GROW! Generational Diversity presentation by Dr. Kim Simmons

R-See Delta Sigma GROW! Plus/Delta Research Instrument used to evaluate the chapter's annual fundraiser

O-See Delta Rho GROW! Dr. Lisa Chapman accepts Opportunity for Leadership as President of Central Carolina Community College

W-See Upsilon GROW! Well-Defined chapter fundraising program —organized Shoe Drive in conjunction with Funds2OrgAt the executive board meeting, I shared a passage that said it was often hard to "bloom" when no one notices. I promised I would notice! I, and others, will continue to notice but most importantly you will notice. Bloom in your own time and in your own way while never forgetting to do what you were meant to do. Once again a question, "What are you meant to do as you Ready, Set, GROW!?"

[Visit DKG.ORG for applications for Scholarships and Ignite \(LMS\)](https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Apply_Submit/Applications/DKGMember/Apply_Submit/Applications.aspx)
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