

## Mu Chapter's Newsletter



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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*



### The President's Corner

Hello, sisters,  
Happy Winter! Fall has come and gone, we saw the leaves turn beautiful colors, the air gets chillier-all the usual. But wait, things have not been the same! We have all missed our face-to-face Mu chapter meetings-sharing hugs, smiles, stories, and good food! We have all missed roaming the room to chat with everyone and getting caught up on life's happenings, having guest speakers and yes, even carrying out chapter business. But we are growing and learning a new skill-how to have virtual meetings. I would much rather meet in person, but we are doing what we must do to stay safe and healthy. We have experienced computer glitches and apologize to those of you who have had trouble connecting with our Google meetings. We have missed you. (If we can figure it out, we might be able to try a Zoom meeting to see if it works better). Two of our programs were links about Schools for Africa and Identifying Fake News. Our third program was our first ever "virtual auction" sponsored by Fine Arts, Programs and Fund Raising. It was really a fun time and good therapy for all. Thanks to everyone who donated items, purchased items, and organized the "show". (I think you will see more about the auction somewhere else in this newsletter.). We will have an executive board meeting in January, but the next regular meeting will not be until February. Stay safe and healthy. Blessings to all of you and your families this wonderful season of rejoicing. Praying 2021 will allow us to meet once again.  
In Sisterhood, [Elaine](#)

### Important Dates

- Jan. 3, 2021 DKGIEF project applications due
- Jan. 10 Chapter presidents' photos due to Carol Bostian (see page 3)
- Jan. 15 Regional Directors annual report due
- Jan. 15-Feb. 15 Arts & Humanities Gallery submission window open
- Jan. 25 ASK Time
- Jan. 31 NC DKG Educational Grants applications due
- Feb. 1 Chapter President Annual Report and Chapter Necrology Annual Report due
- Feb. 1 Nominations for Founders Award due
- Feb. 1 Lucile Cornetet Individual PD Awards applications due
- Feb. 1 Scholarship applications due for NC DKG & DKG International
- Feb. 1 NC DKG News deadline
- Feb. 15 Arts & Humanities Gallery submissions due
- April 23 -25, 2021 —NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza and Resort



**2019-2021 NC DKG Theme**  
**Ready, Set, GROW!**

**Cultivate** fellowship with **G**enerations of DKG members  
**Nurture** membership with **R**esearch-based strategies  
**Energize** members with **O**pportunities for leadership  
**Develop** chapters with **W**ell-defined programs

**You GROW, girl!**

## Mu Chapter News

### Mu Chapter 's Fine Arts and Crafts Auction

Fine Arts Auction (December 10, 2020)

What a fun time we had seeing all the creative products shared by nine of our Mu sisters! Items were offered by Pat Taylor, Elaine Christianson, Ann Davis, Eva Bulluck, Jackie Ennis, Tobey Worthington, Pam Starr, Kathy Stallings, and Beth Wingfield. The bidding became fast and furious at times, and the virtual format worked great! When all the bids were in, our Mu Chapter account had grown by \$660! Pat Taylor, who organized this wonderful event, is making sure that all items are delivered in a very efficient manner. Many thanks to Pat, her committee members, and our officers, for a successful fundraising event!

### Membership – Kim Lehnes

We are keeping the date open for membership nominations. Please get your prospect card to Kim Lehnes. You can email or mail them to her. Let's GROW our chapter membership!

### Finance – Diane Dixon & Treasurer Ann Davis

Donations Received (October – December 2020)

In addition to the one-time drive mentioned below, the following members made donations to the chapter during the months of November and December.

To Kate Parks Kitchin Grant-in-Aid Fund:

Trish Maxwell

Tobey Worthington (in memory of Ann Edge)

Diane Dixon (in memory of Jane Parvin)

Ann Davis (in memory of Ann Williamson)

To the General Fund:

Trish Maxwell (in memory of Ann Edge and Jane White)

### Delta Dollars Drive (November-December 2020)

Thanks so much to all who contributed to our fundraising efforts. We hope our gift will help our Louisiana DKG sisters as they recover from the devastation of three major storms during this last season. Mu Chapter has sent \$550 to NC DKG as our chapter contribution to this drive.

### ELP TIP—Teachers Involved in Policy

Educational Law and Policy Committee offers this TIP for being involved: **Connect with newly elected legislators as soon as possible.**

The General Assembly swearing-in date is January 1 and their first day of work is January 13, 2021. Newly elected legislators are frequently looking to craft their legislative agenda, offering an excellent opportunity for you to introduce yourself and Delta Kappa Gamma's priorities. Invite newly elected officials to your meetings (via Zoom) or visit them in their district or their office as they are getting settled.



January	10	Diane Dixon
	15	Malinda Pennington
	20	Gay Mullinix
	20	Debbie Viverette
	23	Eva Bulluck
February	14	Tobey Worthington
	18	Ann Davis

### Member Recipe

#### **Oyster Cracker Party Mix**

Submitted by Ann Robbins

#### **Ingredients:**

½ cup oil

1 pkg. dry ranch dressing mix

1 tsp. dill weed

¼ tsp. garlic powder

1 (11oz.) pkg. oyster crackers

#### **Directions:**

Mix oil, dressing mix, dill weed and garlic powder in a large bowl (use a wooden spoon). Add oyster crackers. Toss until well coated with oil. Continue to toss until all oil is absorbed.

## Member's Corner

Ann Bishop's husband, Leo, had surgery. He is home and recovering nicely.

Tunisia Bullock lost her grandmother. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, January 2.

### **Scholarship Applications Due Soon**

February 1, 2021, the deadline for applying for an NC DKG scholarship, is quickly approaching. Two scholarships are available—one for \$4,000 for sixth-year and doctoral programs and one for \$1,000 for other post-baccalaureate programs.

Applications are available under the Scholarship Committee page on the NC DKG website at this link: <https://www.ncdkg.org/scholarships-committee.html>

### **Chapter Achievement Award**

#### **Changes Shared**

Recently the Awards Committee was asked to evaluate whether [NC DKG](#) should proceed with the 2020 - 2021 Chapter Achievement Award. After reviewing the application and discussing the matter with the committee and executive committee, the following decision was made:

Chapter Achievement will proceed as originally developed for 2020 (tasks, deadlines, dates, etc.) with one exception—**there will be a 10% reduction as a scoring curve.**

**NEW: 540 Superior, 427 Excellent, 315 Distinctive, Below 315 Honorable Mention. Activities completed between March 1, 2020 and March 1, 2021**

**OLD: 600 Superior, 475 Excellent, 350 Distinctive, Below 350 Honorable Mention.**

Chapter Achievement will be used as a chapter recognition for 2020. In all future correspondence and engagements with presidents, presidents will be reminded:

- Process is optional.
- Process will be used for chapter recognition.
- Scoring curve will be used.
- Process is a self-monitoring tactic to encourage going/growing in these changing times.

### **Deadline reminders from the Awards Committee:**

**February 1, 2021:** Founders Award Application

**March 1, 2021:** Chapter Achievement Award, Golden Key Application, Rising Star Application, and Professional Awards Survey <https://bit.ly/NCCKGPAA>.

### **Celebrating NC DKG Star of the Southeast**



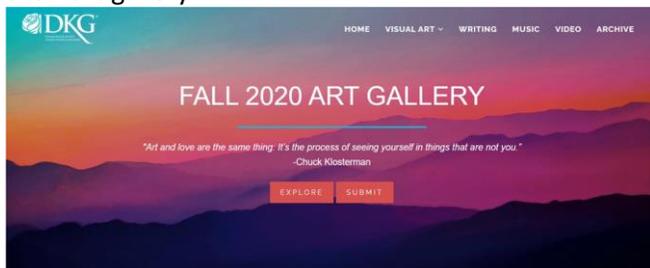
Ruth Jones, a member of Delta Chapter in Region II, was recognized as the 2020 North Carolina Star of the Southeast during the Fall Executive Board meeting in October. Each biennium, this prestigious award is presented during the DKG Convention. However, when International cancelled the 2020 Convention, the award presentation was postponed. NC DKG President Dr. Teresa Cowan, working with Delta member Betty LeRoux, surprised Ruth with the announcement and presentation of her Star of the Southeast pin during Every *MEMBER Counts* virtual event.

The Star of the Southeast recognizes a woman who has given exceptional and tireless service to the Society. The award is given out of honor, respect, and gratitude to an NC DKG member that makes a difference in her region without calling attention to herself.



## **DKG Art Gallery Has New Look**

Check out the new look to the DKG Art Gallery at <http://dkggallery.dkg.org/dkggallery/>. The Fall 2020 collection includes many works from NC DKG members. Browse by clicking the red Explore button or going directly to the topic by the menu bar across the top. The submission window opens January 15 for the next gallery.



## **Let's Rock the Coffee Times!**

Did you notice in the last *Presidents' Page* that International Administrative Board members are offering a challenge to all DKG chapters?

The first 20 chapters in which every chapter member has completed an update of her member profile on the DKG website will have the opportunity to participate in a "Zoom Coffee" with an Administrative Board member.

Several NC DKG chapters are ready or close to submitting their names for this fun experience! If your chapter is close, finish it up and let's show that NC DKG is Ready, Set, GROWing to meet the challenge! If your chapter is ready, the chapter president should notify DKG President Becky Sadowski and she will connect the board member and the chapter president to set up a "Zoom Coffee" date for all members of the chapter.

An additional benefit of this challenge is updating a member's profile is easy. After signing in to the [DKG website](http://www.dkg.org/), go to MyDKG from the homepage, select My Account from the dropdown list, and update any incorrect or in-complete parts of the profile on the secure server. Then click on the My Participation tab and share the info in the Member Only Directory.

## **January 8 Deadline for Conference Workshop Proposal Forms**

Workshop proposal forms for the 2021 International Conferences in Portland, OR, and San Antonio, TX, can be found on the [DKG website](http://www.dkg.org/) under the Events tab. Members interested in leading a presentation at either of the international conferences to be held in 2021 should complete the form for each conference at which they wish to present. Deadlines to submit proposals are January 8, 2021.

## **Mu Chapter has a Facebook page**

Mu Chapter, NC DKG

**Mu Chapter's website:**

<http://www.dkg-ncmu.com/>

**NC DKG website:** <http://www.ncdkg.org/>

**DKG International Website:** <https://www.dkg.org/>

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