

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

We did it! We were able to hold in-person meetings for all our meetings this year. Beth Winstead, NC DKG State President chose the theme Linking the Past, Present and Future... Together Again. So, we did too!

The **past** was celebrated with two memorial services remembering five of our Mu sisters-Ann Edge, Florine Joyner, Margaret Lewis, Betty Penny and Jane White. The **present** included fellowship with our sisters-sharing meals, being creative making "Thinking of You" and "Happy Spring" cards, and a silent auction. The **future** included the grant-in-aid recipient, Cameron Koenig and the induction of Ashley Phillips into Mu chapter-two future leaders! We also held the installation of our 2022-2024 Mu chapter officers-Tobey Worthington, Delana Perry, Cierra Parvin, Ann Davis and Sandra Holloman. All are connecting the past, present and future of Mu chapter. Wishing everyone a fun-filled, relaxing summer. Stay safe in everything you do.

In sisterhood,
[Elaine Christianson](#)

Happy Spring to all my DKG Mu Chapter sisters! As I reflect on the last two years, I must say that I am very proud of how Mu chapter has navigated COVID-19 and all the challenges it has given us. From virtual chapter business meetings, an online state convention, and even a successful chapter silent auction, Mu has gracefully managed the inconveniences and difficulties of COVID-19.

However, we pushed through, persevered and in 2022, we were back to normal again. Our chapter meetings and state convention were all held face-to-face. How wonderful it was to finally be reunited with all our sisters!

As the time has now come to usher in a new biennium of Mu chapter leadership, I wish to say that it was an honor to serve Mu chapter in the capacity of Co-President with Elaine Christianson. I look forward to experiencing what new heights Mu chapter will reach next.

Respectfully,
[Tunisia Bullock](#)



Important Dates

2022

- June 4 Deadline to submit Member Art Gallery form for international convention
- June 12 Early bird registration for NOLA convention ends: price increase of \$100
- June 18 New Leader Training for incoming chapter leaders
- June 30 Membership dues due to chapter treasurers
- July 1 Beginning of new DKG year and new biennium for chapters
- July 12-16 International Convention, New Orleans, LA
- July 15 Form 15 due from chapters to state treasurer
- Aug. 1 *Bulletin: Collegial Exchange* submissions due
- Aug. 1 *NC DKG News* deadline
- Aug. 15-Sept. 15 Arts & Humanities Gallery submission window open

April 28-30, 2023 — NC DKG Convention, Greenville

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Community Projects



Christmas shoe boxes collected for homeless students in the Nash Public School System. Mu coordinates delivery to the students in need with the social workers in the county.



Mu's Grant-in-Aid recipient, Cameron Koenig, receiving her award. She is a senior at Barton College, graduating in May. She plans on teaching high or middle school English.

Beginning Teachers



Valentine's Day treat bags for the beginning teachers. They truly appreciate all we do for them.



Supplies collected for the student teachers at Barton College (left). Happy teachers with their bags of supplies (right). They appreciate the materials but also knowing someone is supporting them.

Membership

We would love to grow our membership. Take the summer to think about fellow colleagues who will benefit from our amazing organization.

Mu's latest new member, Ashley Phillips, was inducted at our February meeting (below).



Fundraising

The committee would like to thank the chapter for supporting our efforts this year.

Thoughtful Donations

Thank you to Martha Johnson, Jackie Ennis and Tobey Worthington for donations in May.

Dues

A BIG shout out to all members who paid 2022-2023 dues at the 5/10 meeting or mailed them to Ann Davis. She has received dues from 44% of our members. Deadline for dues to be paid is June 30th, Ann Davis, 608 Smallwood Drive, RMT, 27804 dues are \$75.



May	1	Pat Taylor
	12	Margie Brantley
	20	Kathy Stallings
June	10	Rhiannon Holloman
	12	Henrietta Barbour
July	8	Pam Starr
	13	Elaine Christianson
	14	Reba Fulghum
	22	Janie MacIntyre
	24	Catherine Melle

Member Recipe

Taco Salad

Submitted by Beth Wingfield

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ lbs. hamburger, crumbled, cooked, drained
- 1 head lettuce, washed, torn and drained
- 4 tomatoes, chopped (I use Roma's)
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
- ½ cup chopped onion
- 1 can drained and rinsed kidney beans
- French dressing
- Taco sauce
- Bag of Doritos

Directions:

Mix all ingredients except Doritos. Before serving, crush Doritos into it.



"Linking the Past, Present and Future"

Revised Chapter Achievement Award Form Coming

By: Amy White, Awards Committee Chair

The Chapter Achievement Award process is being re-vamped! The new system will still serve as a roadmap for chapter planning but will allow more flexibility for chapters. The form will move from having four levels of achievement to only two, and there will no longer be presidential awards for highest point earners. Growing and strengthening chapters and member leadership and success will be the focus. The committee hopes the new system will remove the unnecessary added stress of competing with other chapters.

The updated application will be released this summer.

Educational Law and Policy Committee

Have you heard about legislative proposals to change the way teachers are promoted and compensated in NC? Or the new legislative committee gathering ideas to establish a different NC education system? Learn more about these items and how your chapter can advocate for teachers in your area at the NC DKG Annual Convention in Asheville.

While we hope to see you in Asheville, also check out our folder for legislative updates and NC legislative seats up for vote this May. Stay informed at <https://bit.ly/NCDKG-ELP>.

World Fellowship Makes a Difference

By: Dr. Susan Blackburn, NC DKG World Fellowship Rep
NC Chapters, thank you for your annual contributions to the World Fellowship Fund. Because of your giving, 1,029 women in 122 countries have received awards totaling \$3,739,250 since 1960! These women have been given the opportunity to acquire higher education that they may not have otherwise been able to obtain in their own countries. Keep collecting that small change during meetings. Our compounded efforts make a huge difference!

2022 NCDKG Convention Highlights

(Full details will appear in *NC DKG News*)

Friday, April 29, 2022

* Executive Board Meeting, with NC DK President Beth Winstead presiding, heard reports from select officers and standing committees. (Reports of all committees and personnel were printed in the convention program.) The dissolution of Gamma Phi (Region X, Catawba) and Beta Tau (Region VIII, Mecklenburg) was approved.

* The Opening General Meeting focused on chapter and member awards, including 11 Golden Key Awards, 11 Rising Star Awards, and one Beginning Teacher Award. The Communications and Marketing Committee recognized 18 chapters for Newsletter Excellence, 22 for Website Excellence, and 22 for Communications Excellence. Awards Committee announced Chapter Achievement Awards, naming 16 Honorable Mention, 7 Distinctive, 16 Excellent, and 25 Superior. President Beth announced the five Presidential Chapter Achievement Awards.

Saturday, April 30, 2022

* The NC DKG Educational Foundation Annual Meeting convened, and directors shared highlights of the year, including the awarding of 18 Foundation Literacy/Learning grants and five scholarships.

* In the Second General Meeting, attendees heard reports, passed the proposed change to the *NC DKG Standing Rules* related to finances, and dropped donations in Headquarters "houses" at the back of the room (in lieu of "Pass the House" as a nod to COVID). Combined online and in-person donations for Headquarters totaled almost \$1,800.

* *Breakout sessions included 24 varied opportunities for learning.*

* The Banquet Honoring Presidents featured a tribute to chapter presidents and Society Representative Becky Sadowski, International President. Two scholarship recipients were recognized and a past doctoral recipient reported on her progress.

Sunday, May 1, 2022

* The Ceremony of Remembrance honored 52 sisters with white roses. The Convention Chorus (below) performed.

* The Birthday Brunch, presided over by First Vice President Hilda Parlér, included thanks for support of the convention project MANNA Foodbank (donating

nearly \$900 to the project), inspirations by a scholarship winner and a newly inducted collegiate member, and the singing of the DKG Song.



Update MyProfile on DKG Website

Is your email up to date in your MyProfile with DKG? Have you changed jobs and had your previous school email listed? Added another email that you use more than the old one?

NC DKG leaders are trying to determine a better way to communicate with all members than asking presidents to do all the work. Accurate emails are needed, however!

Encourage your members to login to the DKG website, go to MyDKG tab, and click on the pencil icon to update your information. The next step is to share your information with other DKG members (*members only!*) by clicking on the My Participation tab in the red bar and choosing Yes, include my profile in the Members Only Online Directory. Someone you met at convention may be trying to find you!

Find a helpful tutorial on updating your MyProfile on the Communications and Marketing (C&M) Committee page.

May/June DKG News is Online

The May/June 2022 issue of *DKG News* is available on the DKG website in both pdf and Flipbook formats. Find it under the [Publications](#) tab or by clicking the graphic below. (Remember to log in first.)

Highlights of the newsletter include convention news, such as Sazerac House Museum on the front page, the Dress for Success convention project, DKGIEF tour of Mardi Gras World, and the convention app. Executive Director Nita Scott gives an update on the move—they're not ready for guests yet!

DKG International Educator's Foundation is seeking donations for their online auction, and the DKGIEF column highlights World Fellowship.



If you would like to contribute to this project, get your donations to Tobey Worthington so she can take them to New Orleans with her.

Dress for Success Convention Project

International may be taking a page from NC's handbook—there is a convention project local to the convention city!

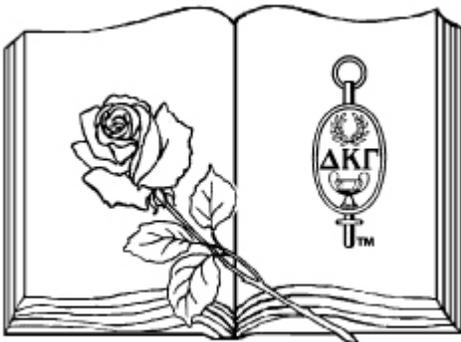
Dress for Success New Orleans' "mission is to empower women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life."

The project asks attendees to bring a professional handbag filled with interview appropriate jewelry, unopened makeup or cosmetics, and a cash or check donation to Dress for Success New Orleans. Include a note of inspiration such as "you've got this," "believe in yourself" or "stay strong."

Proposed Amendments

There will be 120 amendments voted on at the New Orleans convention this summer. Even if you do not plan to attend, reviewing the proposals will keep you abreast of current thoughts and actions in our Society. And they should make for some lively debates during the convention if you are there!

Reminder to let NC DKG Executive Secretary Elizabeth Miars know if you plan to attend so she can arrange for our state event.



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