



From A to Z

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President's Message

Dear Alpha Zeta Sisters,

Where has the year gone already? It's hard to believe it's November. I was walking with my Mom on Saturday and the leaves were crunching on the ground. Fall has never been one of my favorite seasons but I find I'm gaining a new appreciation for the season. I love the changing colors of the leaves, the cool, crisp air, and the thought of fires and hot cocoa.

I'm looking forward to our annual auction as well! No need to worry about shipping delays or bare shelves in the stores if you use the auction as your first stop to shop for holiday gifts. There are always great gifts. I know Janie is planning on bringing some of her pickles and relish!

I really hope many of you can join us in person. It would be wonderful if we didn't have to have the virtual option with trying to manage two computers, receiving bids, etc. but I created the link in case it is necessary. I don't want to deny any member the chance to participate if they cannot attend in person.

Many people see November as a time to count their blessings and I am certainly grateful for all the blessings DKG has brought into my life! I'm thankful for all of you and the strengths you all bring to our chapter. I'm thankful for having a chance to meet more and more people from across the state. What are you thankful for?

Please be sure to read about the NC DKG Educational Foundation's Day of Giving and on page 7 read about the options we have for partnering with Turning Point so we can discuss/vote on both of these items at the meeting.

We talked about having some gatherings outside of chapter meetings and the Union County Playmakers have a play starting this week. The shows are on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday the weekends of November 5th and 12th. If any of you would like to take in one of these show dates we could get a group together. This cannot wait until we meet since there would only be the Saturday night and Sunday matinee performances left. A description of the show can be found on their website: <https://unioncountyplaymakers.org/> Please email me if you are interested in seeing the play.

Yours in Sisterhood,
Deb Christensen
Alpha Zeta President



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Mission Statement

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

Elevator Speech

Delta Kappa Gamma is an international honor society of women educators, which encourages and supports professional growth through legislative efforts, conferences, workshops, and offers scholarships to members and future educators.

Theme

“DKG: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.”

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Upcoming Events

- Nov. 1 Cornet Individual and Seminar PD Awards applications due
 - Nov. 1 NC DKG News deadline
 - Nov. 15 990-N ePostcard deadline to IRS
 - Nov. 20 NCDKGEF Day of Giving
 - Nov. 22 ASK Time for chapter presidents
 - Dec. 15 Chapter directory due to regional director
 - Dec. 15 *Bulletin: Collegial Exchange* submissions due
 - Jan. 15-Feb. 15, 2022 Arts & Humanities Gallery submission window open
 - Jan. 24 ASK Time for chapter presidents
 - Jan. 31 NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants applications due
 - Feb. 1 Chapter President Annual Report due
 - Feb. 1 Scholarship applications due for NC DKG & DKG International
 - Feb. 1 NC DKG News deadline
- ### Alpha Zeta Meetings
- February 5 Chapter Meeting
 - April 2 Chapter Meeting
- ### Conventions
- April 29-May 1, 2022** — NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza Resort
 - July 12-16, 2022** — International Convention, New Orleans, LA
 - April 28-30, 2023** — NC DKG Convention, Greenville
- Also check the NC DKG calendar online at <https://www.ncdkg.org/calendar.html>.

November Meeting Information

When: November 13, 2021

Time: 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Where: Waxhaw United Methodist Church, 200 McDonald Street, Waxhaw

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/j1MTpvf6ntNJ5d8t7>

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/97646741312?pwd=ZEhvYUw2MHFkSIFackFEaGZZTjk3dz09>

Meeting ID: 976 4674 1312 Passcode: yeFia5

Bring: Items to donate to the auction, money to bid, a dish or beverage to share, and some friends!



Alpha Zeta News

Chapter newsletters are now protected behind a password on the Alpha Zeta website. When you are on the Alpha Zeta website and you click on News and Communication on the left menu you'll be brought to a page with a login screen. The username is AZmember and the password is @lphaZ3ta. That is how you can access past newsletters on the Alpha Zeta website.

Alpha Zeta Recruitment

If you have anyone you think might make a good addition to our chapter, please nominate them. Remember you can print copies of our [brochure](#) to share information with prospective members.

Clipboard and Keyrings for Sale

We purchased some clipboards and keyrings and will try to sell them at the 2022 NC DKG Convention. If you know anyone who would like to buy one or if any of you want to buy one as a gift we have them available. They have sayings about teaching and education on them. The clipboards are \$10 each and the keyrings are \$5 each. Janie Webb currently has all the inventory at her house.

Fall DKG Fine Arts Gallery

Did anyone else submit an entry during the Fall window for the DKG Fine Arts Gallery? Let Deb know if you did! Deb's picture titled "Sunset Symphony" was accepted. We have so many talented members of Alpha Zeta so look for the next submission window in January!



November		November (con't)		December		January	
5	Janie Webb	12	Tommie Wall	4	Helen Rose	13	Peggy Harris
7	Grace Faris	27	Peggie Griffin	25	Amy Herlihy	29	Nancy Smith
7	Gwyn Sinclair						
9	Deb Christensen						

NC DKG News

2022 Convention is Taking Shape

The NC DKG Convention, to be held in Asheville, April 29 to May 1, 2022, is seeking volunteers to help make the convention run smoothly.

Convention Chair Connie Savell is ready to make connections with members across the state and is offering everyone the unique opportunity to network and connect by volunteering behind the scenes this year.

Volunteers will be needed to cover registration distribution, be door attendants and greeters, fulfill hostess duties in the hospitality room, set up for the banquet, create table decorations, photograph attendees in the photo booth, provide technology support for the workshops, and more!

Anyone interested in volunteering is asked to please fill out the [Google Form](#). A link will be shared later to sign up for specific times.

Connie added, “I can’t wait to pack my bag and see you in Asheville next spring!”



Member Spotlight on NC DKG Website is Featuring Region X Leaders

The Member Spotlight on the NC DKG website is currently featuring a past, present, and future leader from Region X. Region II will be featured beginning November 8.

Chapter presidents who would like to see a member featured in the spotlight section should send the name and information on the candidate to their regional director. The regional director will coordinate with the chapter presidents to choose the three members to spotlight when it is their region’s turn.

Spotlights will stay on the website for six weeks at a time. After Region II in November/December, Region V will start on December 20, Region IX on January 31, 2022, Region III on March 14, Region VI on April 25, Region VIII on June 6, Region IV on July 18, Region VII on August 29, Region I on October 10, and Region XI on November 21.

Please contact your regional director or NC DKG Recording Secretary [Patty Higgins](#) if you have any questions.

Cornetet Awards Deadline

Reminder that both Individual and Seminar Professional Development Awards applications from the Cornetet funds are due November 1. Apply online at [DKG.org](#),



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NC DKG News

New Feature on NC DKG Website to Highlight Chapters

Chapters may now submit short articles and photos to the NC DKG website to showcase what they are doing!

The new feature, an idea from the Communications and Marketing Committee, will allow chapters to share good ideas and accomplishments. Webmaster Deb Christensen will highlight several chapters at a time running through a rotator on the homepage.

This new feature will allow leaders to market their chapters on a wider scale and share more than one activity or achievement. Normally, *NC DKG News* is only able to share one news item per chapter a year; the website feature will supplement that exposure.

Chapters are invited to submit a short article (150 words or less) and upload a photo or two to go along with the article, which will be reviewed before posting.

Share what makes your chapter shine by completing this Google form: <https://forms.gle/SdrCBQPX3ZjwiZga7>. Contact [Deb Christensen](#), webmaster, or [Ann Carol Stocks](#), chair of the C&M Committee, with questions.



Educational Excellence

Arts awareness and education is a part of the EEC Circle and an easy way to include EEC in chapter programs. For example, create ways in meetings for members to experience the culture of Africa while promoting the Schools for Africa project. Cook and bring foods, share artwork, play music, dress in costumes, watch videos, and read cultural books that can be reviewed.

Your EEC Tip of the Month is brought to you by [Hilda Parlér](#), NC DKG First VP, EEC chair.



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NC DKG Educational Foundation Day of Giving is Saturday, November 20

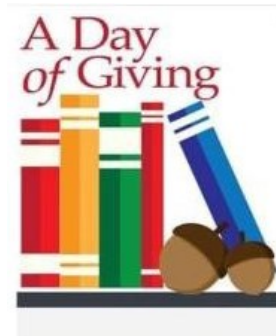
Again this year, the NC DKG Educational Foundation will sponsor A Day of Giving. The Board encourages every member to donate \$5 on this day.

Last year’s Day of Giving raised \$5,155 and the goal this year is to top that amount!

The Foundation gave over \$25,000 in grants and scholarships to educators last year and over \$67,000 since the Foundation received its 501(c)3 status in January, 2015. It has two grant cycles a year.

A Day of Giving celebrates the Educational Foundation, and is a day for members to show our DKG pride and gratitude for the work of the Foundation and its impact on chapters and members in NC.

It’s very easy to donate online using a credit card or PayPal: <https://www.ncdkgef.org/donation-page.html>. This would be a great way to use a portion of our extra funds we collected. We will discuss this at our November meeting and take a vote to see if the membership would like to contribute in this manner.



NC DKG Educational Foundation Seeks Nominations for Board Members



The NC DKG Educational Foundation wants to remind NC DKG members that they are also members of the Foundation. You are encouraged to recommend candidates for two new director positions on the Foundation Board. Director terms are 4 years.

Serving on a Foundation committee is recommended as a prerequisite for serving on the Board. Interested candidates may join a committee now! Check the Foundation's website for the Interest Form.

If you wish to recommend a candidate for the NC DKG Educational Foundation Board of Directors, please send the name and a short statement of endorsement to Nominations Chair Mary Cauley, cauleym_2000@yahoo.com by November 7.



Strengthen Your Links Through

 *Membership*

Just as the seasons change, everyone has many changes throughout their lives. Continue to reach out to current and former members through calls, visits, texts, emails, or family members. Let them know how important they are to the chapter and NC DKG.

Your Membership Tip of the Month is brought to you by the NC DKG Membership Committee, [Susie Miller](#), chair.



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Alpha Zeta Charitable Partnership with Turning Point

As mentioned in a previous email, here are the options we will discuss at the November meeting so we can decide how we can best help this wonderful organization. Please be thinking about this so we can vote.

“Donation Drive - You can select several items to collect and then donate. Some of our immediate needs would be women's underwear (new and all sizes), women's modest pajama sets (all sizes), toilet paper, paper towels, and cleaning supplies. You can also use our Amazon Wish list and have items sent directly to us.

Adopt a Family for Christmas - We have many groups that select to adopt a family for Christmas. During the beginning of November, we will have family information ready to pass out. You all would tell us what size family you want and then we provide you with the names, ages, and wish list of each person in the family. You and your group would purchase Christmas gifts for the family. The gifts can be wrapped or unwrapped and then I will coordinate getting the gifts from you.

You already mentioned welcome bags and court care kits. These are always needed and helpful. A list of items and ideas are on our website. <https://turningpointnc.org/donate/in-kind-donation-projects/>

If you all wanted to help at one of our stores and volunteer, we can set that up. We have four stores, one in Indian Trail, one in Waxhaw, and two in Monroe. Volunteers help sort, steam clothes, put out items, etc.

We have had groups make and donate holiday decorations or holiday themed goody bags.”



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Read the fall issue of the NC DKG News at <https://www.flipsnack.com/NCDKG/fall-2021-nc-dkg-news-vol-81-1-color.html>

DKG Publications

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to go to publication)



The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin
International Journal for Professional Educators



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DKG International

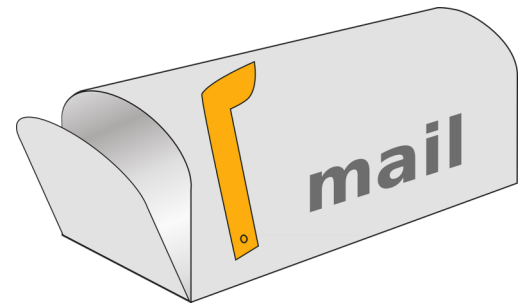
New Address for International

DKG has a new, temporary mailing address:

1801 E. 51st Street

Ste 365-163

Austin, TX 78723



Headquarters staff is still available at their email addresses and through the Chat button on the DKG website. Refer to the [Contact Us tab](#) on the website for emails.

Remember to Update MyDKG Profile

Fall is a great time to check your MyDKG Profile on the international website to be sure it is up to date. Many members may have retired or changed schools or have never added their profile to the database. Follow these simple steps to update your profile:

- Login to the DKG website
- Click “My DKG” on the right side
- Update or complete the “About Me” information and save it
- Click the “My Participation” tab, scroll down to “Communication Preferences” and click “Yes, include my DKG Profile in the Online Directory” and click Save again. (It is safe and secure, and only fellow DKG members will see it.)

If you have never logged on to the DKG website or do not remember your password, clicking the Chat feature is the easiest way to get it.

DKG Presidential Update!!

Watch International President, Becky Sadowski, talk about the upcoming 2022 Convention and the sale of the Headquarters building and how its legacy will live on as Annie B. [YouTube link](#)



Important Websites

www.dkg.org

www.ncdkg.org

www.alphazetanc.weebly.com

www.facebook.com/groups/AlphaZetaNC/