

Keynotes for Chi

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GREETINGS CHI MEMBERS,

It is official! We have **Zoomed** our way into a new Chi Chapter year. We welcome Kayla Ranew as our new vice-president, and we welcome our four new members. Betty Mayer will take good care of you.

Our committee chairs are busy finalizing plans and will be sending memos to keep you informed. Keep in mind donation needs for Carpenter House, Family Justice Center and L.E.A.P. These service groups depend on our support. Be on the lookout for more middle grade books for L.E.A.P.

Please use the NC DKG and the DKG international websites. There is a wealth of information on these sites.

Applications for Lucile Cornet Individual Professional Development Awards are due September 1. (ncdkgef.org)

NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants applications due September 30 for both individuals and chapters. (ncdkgef.org)

Both political candidates seeking the office of North Carolina State Superintendent of Public Instruction are joining us on Zoom September 1. Don't miss it! More details to come in a president's email before that meeting. Watch for your "Zoom Invite" and for Anne Sheffield's "Evites." It is easy to sign up for Evites if you have not already. The "Zoom Invite" does not tell me who is coming to the meetings while the "Evite" does...important in case a member has not received the "Invite." Get in the habit of reading Chi emails as much business will be done that way this year.

Kudos to Chi Chapter for receiving the Superior Achievement Award from NC DKG. Kudos also to the Communications Committee. We received the rating "Excellence." We are allowed to use the recognition medal on all our official

communications. Kudos to Tonya Welch for a winning photography entry in the Arts and Humanities Gallery. (Sept. 15 is the deadline for DKG Arts and Humanities Fall Gallery submissions. See details on the DKG website.) Kudos to Karen and Kayla for their help while Chi is transitioning into the new COVID Era of virtual meetings.

Yes, we can **GROW** despite COVID19!
The deer may nibble down our caladiums, but our roots remain strong!

Respectfully yours,

Mary Ann Hart, President



Chi Chapter September Meeting

Zoom Meeting
September 1, 2020 7:00 PM

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and password was emailed.

Program: Candidates for
NC Superintendent of Public Instruction

Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of August 14, 2020:

Community Checking	\$5592.27
Business Money Rate Savings	\$1322.54

Nancy Tucker, Treasurer



Member News

Happy Birthday to:

August:

17 – Crystal White

September:

15 – Debbie Rosenquist



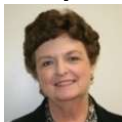
Membership News

Special teacher thank you cards were recently mailed to all Chi members currently employed in education. Each card delivered the message “Please know that your Chi Sisters are thinking of you! Enjoy a treat on us.” A Starbucks \$10 gift certificate was included. Thanks to all ladies who contributed to these gifts: Martha A., Gayle B., Sylvia E., Sarah F., Judy G., Mary G., Ann H., Betsy H., Susan M., Betty M., Anne S., Kathy S., Kay T., Martha W., Kitty W., and Ann W.

Our new Chi members Monica Patterson, Pat Sams, Nancy Spurgeon, Lisa Tyska will be formally inducted in Spring, 2021. A New Member Information Kit was delivered to the home of each new colleague. These kits included a printed copy of our orientation video “Pride in the Big Picture”, a Chi Directory, a Biographical Data Form, and pin.

Despite the restrictions of the Covid-19 virus we will continue to actively recruit new members and retain current members through internal marketing. Please submit to me the name and contact information of any educator you would like to nominate for membership. We can only grow with your help.

Betty Mayer, Membership Expansion



Lisa and Monica receive their New Member Kits.

Communications

Did you respond to your Evite? If you didn't find the Evite in your email, check your Spam folder! Also, try joining Evite (It's free! Just go to Evite.com). If you would prefer to receive Evites by text in lieu of email, please let me know.

DKG now requires that all communications be blindcopied (Bcc) and that no emails appear in newsletters or on our website. Our Chi Directories (Thank you, Sylvia Eaglin!) will be getting lots of use!

Anne Sheffield, Communications



Educational Law and Policy

In July, letters from our Educational Law and Policy Committee and other chapter members were sent to Senator Burr and Senator Tillis asking them to vote in support of the HEROES Bill which provides emergency COVID-19 funding for education.

We are looking forward to our first meeting with guests, Jen Mangrum and Catherine Truitt-Candidates for State Superintendent of Instruction. A special thank you goes to each of you who submitted the excellent questions for our guests to the committee. We can all GROW in political knowledge from this informative presentation.

Betsy Hodge, Ed Law and Policy



Mini-Grants

Mini-grant applications will be emailed to all actively employed Chi members.

Application return information will be on the form. The deadline is October 15.

Kay Tucker, Scholarship



Chi Projects and Fundraising

Projects: Please begin collecting any books that are appropriate for children and young adults through high school age. These will be donated to the LEAP organization for their students. This year the CHI goal is 100 📖 books. Thank you for your continued support of this educational project!

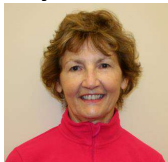
The Guilford County Justice Center can use clean shopping bags for their clients to transport personal items. Also, gift cards for gas, grocery store, and Walmart of \$10-\$15 can support the families as they transition through this difficult time.

The Carpenter House continues to request hand sanitizers, gallon and quart bags, deodorant, and gift cards. The September newsletter will give further details about the time table and collection site for these items.

Chi's support of these endeavors reinforces our commitment to furthering educational progress in our community.

Fundraising: Any ideas for fundraising will be greatly appreciated! (Send to Phyllis McCoy.) The September newsletter will share possible options as we proceed. As always, your support is vital to the success of any endeavor!

Phyllis McCoy, Projects and Fundraising



Chi Finance

Please study the proposed budget and be prepared to vote on it at the September meeting. Once adopted, it will be your copy of this year's Budget.

Kathy Smith, Finance



Proposed Chi Budget			
2020-2021			
Balance Brought Forward	July 1, 2020		\$5,572.27
Estimated Receipts			
Dues	(42 x \$85) - \$44		3,528.00
Scholarship	(\$1 per active member)		42.00
Initiation and Reinstatement fees			70.00
Interest			2.00
Other			
	Spring Banquet		400.00
	Projects		400.00
	Miscellaneous		100.00
Total Estimated Receipts			\$4,542.00
Total Amount Available for Budgeting			\$10,114.27
Estimated Expenses			
Dues	(42x\$55)		2,310.00
Scholarship	(\$1 per active member)		42.00
TOTAL DUES AND FEES			\$2,352.00
President's Expenses			
	Conventions, workshops, etc.		500.00
	Meeting expenses		100.00
	Newsletter and postage		50.00
	Miscellaneous		50.00
Contributions			
	World Fellowship Fund		10.00
	Emergency Fund		10.00
	Leadership Fund		10.00
	Educational Foundation Fund		10.00
	Golden Gift Fund		10.00
	International Speakers Fund		10.00
	Scholarship Fund		10.00
	NC DKG Ed Foundation Fund		10.00
	Headquarters Fund (42x\$2)		84.00
Special Projects			
	Grant-in-Aid		350.00
	Scholarship/Mini-Grants		550.00
	Community Project		200.00
	Leadership Training		100.00
	First-time Convention goers		60.00
Other			
	Spring Banquet		500.00
	Printing of Yearbook		50.00
	Membership Committee Costs/Hospitality		400.00
	Miscellaneous		150.00
TOTAL OPERATIONAL EXPENSES			\$3,224.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES			\$5,576.00
Estimated Balance on June 30, 2021			\$4,538.27

Global Awareness

A new DKG one time goal (from some other chapters called Designing Awareness) is looking into ways to help during the Pandemic. Our donations will help not only Schools for Africa, but now includes a campaign to raise \$ for children's meals, getting access to the Internet for those who need to be online from home, and support for the Rotary Club's Food Bank program. You can send a \$5 donation (or more if you wish) to me before December 1st. After the collection ends, I will forward all checks to Nancy Tucker for deposit.

Bragging Rights: If you have a "Brag to share", please email Mary Ann so she can add you to the ZOOM agenda. If technology is a problem, contact a member who can report for you. Bragging Rights are still \$2. At the end of the year, you will receive a phone call or email telling how much you owe in case you want to brag more than once!!

Judy Gecinger, Global Awareness



How Does Your Membership **Grow**?

Back to school time is the perfect time to seek prospective members for your chapter. Listen to family members and friends speak about the characteristics of new teachers and administrators. Listen for strategies and activities that signal an outstanding educator.

Professional Pride

Please send news honoring achievements of our members to Anne Sheffield. These items can be included in our newsletters or other publications for well-deserved recognition.

Sarah Finch, Impacting Personal and Professional Pride



New to Zoom?

Not everyone has been using Zoom regularly to attend meetings. Sadly, we can not even get together to compare how Zoom works on various devices and explore how each of us is able to best participate in a virtual meeting. Even if you have been in a meeting or two, you may not be comfortable or know how to mute, share screens, etc. Well, when in doubt, go to the experts! The following link is to Zoom support which will undoubtedly have the answers to questions you didn't even know you had:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/115004954946-Joining-and-participating-in-a-webinar-attendee->



The summer board meeting for Chi officers and committee chairs was held on Zoom in July.

Headquarters Convention Project

This year \$3,310 was received for the NC DKG convention project from registrations and host chapter donations. These donations were in lieu of persons/chapters seeking full refunds. The funds will be used to meet maintenance needs at our NC DKG headquarters.

Take Note Two NC DKG committee chair changes:

- Donna Rudisill, Awards Committee
- Brenda Reese, Beginning Teacher Support Committee

Becky Sadowski Elected New International President



Rebecca “Becky” Sadowski of Tennessee has been elected DKG’s 2020-2022 International President. She will serve with Dr. Lace Marie Brogden (Canada) as First VP and June Bowers (Nebraska) as Second VP. Candace “Candi” Martin of Arkansas will be the Southeast Regional Director. President Sadowski’s theme will continue to be “Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.” In her President’s Acceptance Speech, she said her focus is “you—our members.” You can watch her entire acceptance speech online.

The new elected officers, committee and board members for 2020-2022 were installed during the digital highlight Virtual Event of the convention that was cancelled due to Covid-19 concerns. Dr. Judith Carlson (Alpha Gamma Chapter), a past NC DKG president, was elected as a director for the DKG Educators Foundation. Dr. Helen Popovich, of Florida and current International Parliamentarian, was named the 2020 Achievement Award Winner. The activities of the Virtual Event will continue to be linked to the DKG website. This includes a workshop presentation by Dr. Patricia Fecher (Gamma Kappa) on July 7.

One Member, One Vote Shares Findings

The findings of the Ad Hoc Committee: One Member, One Vote, set up during the executive board meeting at the 2019 NC DKG Convention to study the pros and cons of every member voting on amendments to the *NC DKG Bylaws* and *Standing Rules*, will be discussed at the Fall Executive Board Meeting on October 24. They will report on the trial test run and what changes will be needed to the NC DKG governing documents if the state organization moves forward with the proposal. Read more details of the committee’s work in the Fall *NC DKG News* to be published September 1.

NC DKG Leaders Tapped for International Committees

Congratulations to NC DKG Immediate Past President Connie Savell, who has been selected to serve on the International Membership Committee, and to NC DKG President Dr. Teresa H. Cowan, who succeeds Susan Kuenzel, editor of *Eta Data*, as chair of the International Communications and Marketing Committee. Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon, NC DKG Executive Secretary, continues her term on the International Editorial Board through 2022. Sheila Groves, NC DKG President 2015-2017, ended two terms on the International Constitution Committee.

NC DKG & DKG Upcoming Events

- April 23-25, 2021** — NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza and Resort
- July 7-10, 2021** – International Conference, Portland, OR
- July 21-24, 2021**— International Conference, San Antonio, TX
- July 28-31, 2021**— International Conference, Tampere, Finland
- July 12-16, 2022** — International Convention, New Orleans, LA

Contacts

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Keynotes for Chi Submissions

<u>Information</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>
<u>Deadline:</u>	<u>Publication date:</u>
September 22	September 29
November 17	November 24
January 19	January 26
February 22	March 1
March 23	March 30
June 1	June 8

Please submit info to Editor Anne Sheffield.