



Keynotes for Chi

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GREETINGS CHI MEMBERS,

It has been real adventure in learning to accept this new role in our Chi family. My understanding of the organization has been greatly enhanced. I enjoyed the interactions with our board members as we established goals for the coming year. Our state organization has established the Rose Bud Award and the Order of the Rose Award as checklists which will make the process of documentation easier. Many thanks to our past presidents, committee chairs, and members who have worked so hard for our chapter to be so healthy.

Julia Ebel challenged us in our spring meeting to tell our stories of people who have been an inspiration to us. It was very enlightening to learn the heartbeat of individual members. It is important that we see more than a face when we interact with each other. I would like to have a personal project with those of you who would like to share a story of inspiration. If you would like to email your story or give it to me at a meeting, I could make a little book for each of our members about the people who inspire us.

Some of our members are facing very difficult challenges. The Board established an ad hoc committee to set up some guidelines so we can try to help individuals on a personal and equal basis. Our actions in caring for others can be very helpful to the one that is hurting with life challenges.

I hope each of you have had a wonderful summer. We are planning our meetings to be in person and hope many of you will be able to come. We also will have the zoom option for those who cannot come. Even though Zoom is convenient the social interaction of meeting as a group is so very

positive. We have some exciting and fun events planned that I hope you all will enjoy.

[Debbie Rosenquist, President](#)



Golden Key and Rising Star



Big wins! Chi had two winners for 2022 NC DKG Region VII honors. Betsy Hodge is one of the recipients of the Golden Key Award and accepted her award in person at the 2022 NC DKG State Convention in Asheville. Karen Jobe is a recipient of the Rising Star Award. Both Chi members are very deserving of these prestigious awards. Congratulations! See Betsy's picture on the NC DKG website celebrating the first in-person state convention in three years.

September Meeting

Tuesday, September 13
6:30 PM

Life on Lexington Church
620 E Lexington Ave,
High Point, NC 27262

Induction, Mentoring Program, etc.

Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of August 9, 2022:

Truist Community Checking	\$6092.43
Business Money Rate Savings	\$1322.98

[Nancy Tucker](#), Treasurer



Member News

Happy Birthday to:

**September:
15 – Debbie Rosenquist**



Note from **Susan Sumpter:**

Dear Chi Sisters,

Thank you so much for thinking of me during my summer recovery from surgery for Breast Cancer. The gift card to "Company's Coming" has been so helpful to provide (multiple) meals at a time when I found it hard to have the energy to cook. The Kindness of my Chi Sisters has been truly supportive in helping me through this journey.

With Love and Thanks,

Susan ❤️



Kayla Mabe and Jordan Roberts were married on August 6, 2022. Congratulations!

Membership News

The heart of the society is its members. A special welcome to the new 2022 Chi members: Cathy Kuhn, Regina Myers, Carla Thomas, and Amanda Thompson.

Our first meeting Tuesday, September 13th will begin with a short ceremony to complete the induction of all new Chi members during the COVID crisis in 2020 and 2021 when we met by ZOOM. These special ladies should plan to attend this meeting in order to be recognized: Monica Patterson, Pat Sams, Nancy Spurgeon, Teresa Owens, and Claire Robinson.

The Membership Committee recently mailed cards to all Chi members currently employed in the classroom/workplace. A Hobby Lobby \$10.00 gift certificate was included. Each card delivered the message "Enjoy this token of thanks for being an outstanding teacher from your Chi sisters. Have a great new year!"

Chi Chapter will continue to actively recruit new and retain current members. Please submit the contact information of an educator you would like to nominate to the Membership Chairman.

[Betty Mayer](#), Membership Expansion



Global Awareness

The Global Awareness Committee raises money for Schools in Africa. It has been proposed that Chi members create baskets of items to be sold in the gift shop at River Landing. Individuals or groups can provide baskets with proceeds from the sales being used to fund our donation to Schools for Africa. We will discuss this option at our September 13th meeting.

[Rhonda Hunt](#), Schools for Africa



Member Spotlight



Sylvia Eaglin, Anne Sheffield, and Karen Jobe will be featured on the Member Spotlight on the first page of the NC DKG Website sometime between August 22-October 3.

Sylvia, even though you continue to be our advisor and biggest supporter, you were chosen as the Past Leader because of all you did to get Chi noted with your past work at the local, state, and regional levels. You truly show everyone sisterly love. Anne, what would we have done without you? Your work on *Keynotes* for 14 years has been impeccable and tenacious. Your participation and voice have been remarkable. You were chosen as our Present Leader.

Karen, you were chosen as our Future Leader because we appreciate, among other things, your willingness to help us through the COVID years when you did not have time for all the assistance you gave. You did it anyway. We are proud of all three of you and your accomplishments. Congratulations from the Impacting Personal and Professional Pride Committee and all your Chi sisters!

Educational Law and Policy

At the DKG International Convention in New Orleans, July 2022, the US Forum Meeting passed a Mental Health Resolution recognizing Mental Health Issues for Staff and Promoting Support Services. (www.dkgusforum.com/)

The Professional Educator Preparation and Standards Commission (PEPSC) continues to work on proposed teacher licensure and pay reform. The Advancement and Development subcommittee of PEPSC will present their recommendations by September. The plan will then be submitted to the NC State Board of Education in October.

(<https://www.ednc.org/>)

Betsy Hodge, Educational Law and Policy



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.

Nancy Tucker, Finance



Proposed Chi Budget 2022-2023		
Balance Brought Forward	July 1, 2022	\$8,671.43
Estimated Receipts		
Dues	{43x\$85}+ { (3X\$35)-46	3,714.00
Scholarship	(\$1 per active member)	46.00
Initiation and Reinstatement fees		70.00
Other		
	Spring Banquet	800.00
	Fundraising/Donations	500.00
	Miscellaneous	100.00
Total Estimated Receipts		\$5,230.00
Total Amount Available for Budgeting		\$13,901.43
Estimated Expenses		
Dues	{43x\$55}+{3x\$22}	2,431.00
Scholarship	(\$1 per active member)	46.00
TOTAL DUES AND FEES		\$2,477.00
President's Expenses		
	Conventions, workshops, etc.	500.00
	Meeting expenses	200.00
	Postage	100.00
	Miscellaneous	400.00
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 Educational Foundation Fund	10.00
	Headquarters Fund {46 X \$2}	92.00
Special Projects		
	Grant-in-Aid	350.00
	Scholarship/Mini-Grants	500.00
	Community Projects/Fundraising Expenses	400.00
	Leadership Training	100.00
	First-time Convention goers	60.00
Other		
	Spring Banquet	1,000.00
	Communications and Marketing	100.00
	Membership Committee Costs/Hospitality	550.00
	Active Teacher Support	200.00
	Beginning Teacher Support	150.00
	Miscellaneous	150.00
TOTAL OPERATIONAL EXPENSES		\$4,932.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES		\$7,409.00
Estimated balance on June 30, 2023		\$6,492.43

Nominations & Amendments

Nominations for 2023-2025 State Officers are due Nov. 15 and Amendment Proposals are due Dec. 1. Watch the NC DKG website for the nominations form for new state officers! The form will be linked in the “New on the Website” box and on the forms page soon. Begin encouraging leaders to apply. The form to propose an amendment change at the 2023 state convention is online now.

ELP Encourages You to Use Your Voice

Another school year is here! Schools are working hard to find highly qualified teachers for every classroom. Our state legislature is discussing many important changes. Keep informed and use your voice. Contact your legislator. Check out the ELP convention presentation and other updates in our News & Resource folder (bit.ly/NCDKG-ELP).

2023 NC DKG Convention Hotel On One Level!

The Hilton Greenville, site of the 2023 NC DKG convention, was renovated in 2020 and has comfortable accommodations for the event. A large outdoor space with seating areas to socialize and rest is next to the meeting rooms, and Convention Chair Dr. Phyllis Broughton shares that all meeting rooms are on one floor and close to each other. Mark your calendar for April 28-30, 2023!

NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants

Applications for the fall grant cycle with the NC DKG Educational Foundation are now available. Grant proposals for funds to be used for professional or personal growth, literacy/learning projects, gifted education and fine arts projects, field trips, teacher travel, and leadership opportunities are due September 30, 2022. Don't miss out! Details are on the Foundation website www.ncdkgef.org. Click on the Grants tab to learn more and on the specific grant for the application.

Golf Tournament Scheduled

Mark your calendars now for the Foundation's golf tournament on October 8 at the Colonial Country Club in Thomasville, and watch for more details soon.

NC DKG Leaders Honored at International Convention

Carol Bostian was honored with NC DKG's Star of the Southeast Award and Dr. Teresa Cowan was elected as the Southeast Regional Director during the International Convention in New Orleans.

Carol is a two-time president of Nu Chapter in Region X. Being editor of NC DKG News only scratches the surface of Carol's contributions and activities, including much work behind the scenes that only a few know about. Her strong organizational skills keep things running smoothly in the state's communications arena.

Teresa, immediate past president of NC DKG, will serve as Southeast Regional Director. Teresa is outgoing chair of the International Communications and Marketing Committee and shared during convention business sessions about the upcoming changes to the international website the committee is guiding. Teresa will serve the 11- state region as its representative on the DKG Administrative Board.

Dr. Debbie LeBlanc, 2022-24 DKG President, has invited Connie Savell (Delta Tau) to serve on the International World Fellowship Committee and Dr. Rhonda Hager (Delta Sigma) to serve on the International Scholarship Committee. Dr. Judy Carlson continues on the DKG International Educators Foundation Board of Directors.

DKG Art Gallery Submissions Open

The Fall 2022 submission window for the DKG Art Gallery opens August 15. Categories include writing, music, video, and visual arts. Application Forms, with the new July 2022 revisions, and judging rubrics are found at <https://gallery.dkg.org/> Contact [Dedra Davis](#), NC DKG liaison to the International Art Gallery, with questions. Dedra encourages members to showcase their talents and to submit by the September 15 deadline.

New International Officers

Installed at New Orleans Convention in July, Dr. Debra “Debbie” LeBlanc of Illinois is the new DKG President. Joining her on the Administrative Board are Connie Rensink, Texas, First Vice President; Dr. Beverly Hall, Tennessee, Second Vice President; Dr. Teresa Cowan, North Carolina, Southeast Regional Director; four other regional directors; two members-at-large; two area representatives; Dr. Helen Popovich, Parliamentarian; Becky Sadowski, Immediate Past International President; and Nita Scott, DKG Executive Director. See the complete list under the About Us tab ® [Administrative Board](#) once logged in to the member side of the DKG website.

NC DKG & DKG Upcoming Events

Aug. 15-Sept. 15 - Arts & Humanities Gallery submission window open
Sept. 30 – NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants applications due
Oct. 1 – *Bulletin: Journal* submissions due
Oct. 8 – NC DKG Educational Foundation golf tournament
Oct. 27 – NC DKG Founders Day
April 28-30, 2023 — NC DKG Convention, Greenville
July 11-16, 2023 — DKG Conference, Detroit, MI
2024 - International Convention, Maryland

NC DKG News

The latest issue of *NC DKG News* is now found online at the NC DKG website. Read about the 2022 DKG Convention and our new Region VII director Mary Pickett. Pay special attention to pages 10 & 13 for Chi inclusions!

Future Chi Meetings

October 15 – Noon - Life on Lexington Church
 Mary Pritchett
 Mentoring for Leadership
 December 4 – 3:00 PM - River Landing Golf Clubhouse
 Joseph Burchette
 Food Presentations for Christmas
 March ? - 6:30 PM - Life on Lexington Church
 Politician
 April 15 - 5 PM - River Landing Golf Clubhouse
 Spring Banquet - Beta Zeta and Beta Omicron



Contacts

[DKG International Website](#)

[NC DKG Website](#)

[Chi Website](#)



Keynotes for Chi Submissions

Information

Deadline:

September 20
 November 22
 January 24
 March 21
 April 18
 May 9

Anticipated

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September 27
 November 29
 January 31
 March 28
 April 25
 May 16

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