



Keynotes for Chi

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GREETINGS CHI MEMBERS,

Thankfulness is extended to each of you for attending our Christmas Tea at River Landing. The atmosphere was welcoming and the food was great. It is very exciting that we are to have the spring banquet at the same location. The price will be decided early so it will be easier to pay at our March meeting.

The basket project has been successful. Thank you to those who made baskets and those who bought baskets. We will make between three hundred fifty and three hundred seventy-five dollars.

The project for children at the Justice Center is in the budget to make it easier to secure the appropriate items. We are so fortunate to have Phyllis making the Leap and Justice center projects a success. She may need a few volunteers to put the packets together.

Claire says that she can utilize all types of books with at her church learning center or in the community. She can use the religious books at her church. Phyllis is working on the LEAP book project with some ideas that will make it easier for those who want to contribute by having any new books purchased shipped to her address.

Betty is working on the orientation for our new members. Her hospitality makes the new members feel so welcome. If you know anyone who may be interested in being part of a caring group which is reaching out to others whether it is a member that needs help or part of our services to education, please give their name to Betty. She can begin reaching them with information about our group.

Anne has been so dedicated to making our *Keynotes for Chi* an excellent newsletter. Please take time to review the newsletter. An email of thanks only takes a minute and it is important to appreciate others that work so hard to help our group have excellence in communication.

Thank you to all who give me a call or text to keep us on schedule for all the responsibilities that we need to schedule and innovate. Our meeting in March can bring us back together. I have invited the superintendent of Guilford County Schools to be our speaker. We are still waiting for a response. We have not had anyone joining on Zoom. If you would like us to stream the meeting to you, please give me a call so we can accommodate your needs. I am trusting you all will stay healthy in this winter season.

[Debbie Rosenquist, President](#)



Third Friday Lunch

Friday, February 17 - 12:00 pm
Giannos of High Point

Please join us as at our next Friday lunch!

Let [Betty Mayer](#) know to expect you.

Hope to see you there!

Next Chi Meeting

Tuesday, March 28
6:30 PM

Life on Lexington Church

More details in our next issue!

Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of January 17, 2023:

Truist Community Checking	\$5,711.65
Business Money Rate Savings	\$1,322.83

[Nancy Tucker](#), Treasurer



Member News

Happy Birthday to:

February:

14 – Janet Flynn
16 – Mary Jarrell
25 – Lyn Chandler

March:

20 – Cathy Kuhn



Kayla Ranew graduated from Appalachian State in December with a Curriculum Specialist Master's Degree. Congratulations, Kayla!



Please remember these sisters with your thoughts, prayers, and/or a card:

Mary Gordon is starting three months of weekly chemo for recurring cancer in her abdomen.

Gayle Brookbank continues to recover from hip surgery.

Sylvia Eaglin is recovering from a broken heel and is caring for Gayle.

Pat Davis and **Sarah Finch** are caring for their husbands - Jack and Glen.

A donation of \$25.00 from Chi Chapter has been made to our LEAP project to purchase books in memory of **Kathy Smith's** mother, Kathleen N. Renegar.

Remember to let [Betsy Hodge](#) of the Sunshine Committee know of any needs to be addressed.

Member Spotlight



Kathy Smith

As a member since 1972, I have met many outstanding women educators. I served as President of Chi Chapter 1978-1980 and as Chairman of Chi's Finance Committee for numerous years. I was a School Librarian in the High Point City Schools for 32 years at Kirkman Park, Leonard Street, the Central Office, and Northwood (my last 21 years). I began in 1966 and retired in 1998. I am a member of Westchester Baptist Church and serve as Church Ordinance Director. After losing my husband Larry fourteen years ago, I have traveled extensively. My most memorable trip was through the National Parks of the West from Arizona and the Grand Canyon to South Dakota and Mount Rushmore.

Membership News

It's time to elect new Chi members. Names and contact information for nominees are due to the Membership Committee by Tuesday, January 31st. The list of eligible prospects will be voted on with an email election in February.

Forward your nominee's data directly to me by email or phone. Be sure to include their name, mailing address, email address, employer, position, cell or home phone number, and sponsor. I will fill out your nominee's Prospect Card Form.

Nominees that accept Chi's invitation to membership will attend an official orientation meeting in March. Their induction ceremony will be part of our Spring Banquet in April.

Thank you for supporting Chi membership efforts.

[Betty Mayer](#), Membership Expansion



Projects News

Thank you, Chi for your generous donations to **LEAP**, Literacy Empowers All People.

Family Justice Center - Chi members are invited to help stuff bags for the children of FJC clients on February 4th at 11 o'clock at my home. Soup and dessert will be served for lunch (RSVP by Feb.1) Chi support for community projects gives back to our community! Many thanks for your caring and generosity!

[Phyllis McCoy](#), Projects



Impacting Personal & Professional Pride

Congratulations to Dr. Claire Robinson as Chi's first nominee for the NC DKG Founders Award. Chi is proud to have her as our honorary member. Betsy Hodge is featured on the cover page of NC DKG website now for Region VII Member Spotlight. Congratulations, Betsy!

[Mary Ann Hart](#), Personal and Professional Pride



Educational Law and Policy

The General Assembly is back in session! A new judge, Judge James Ammons, has been assigned to the 29-year-old Leandro Case. He will set a hearing to determine the scheduling of funding to the districts.

State Superintendent Catherine Truitt launched a revision of the strategic plan Operation Polaris and states that it "is helping us chart a steady course to continued improvement of NC's schools and to improved outcomes for all students."

The American Teacher Act is a Federal Act to raise teacher pay nationwide to \$60,000 and has been introduced to the US House of Representatives. Make your voices known to your legislators as these and other issues arise.

[Betsy Hodge](#), Ed Law



Grants

At our March meeting, we look forward to hearing reports from our mini-grant recipients: Karen Jobe, Kayla Mabe and Crystal White.

[Kay Tucker](#), Scholarship



Beginning Teacher Support

The Beginning Teacher committee delivered 10 gift cards before Christmas. Nine went to Thomasville Middle School staff's new members and one to a teacher at Shadybrook Elementary School.

[Kayla Ranew](#), Beginning Teachers



Schools for Africa

Our Schools for Africa project concluded in December. We collected a total of \$175.00, which will be sent to UNICEF in support of Schools for Africa. Thanks for your generous donations!

[Rhonda Hunt](#), Global Awareness



Leadership Development Seminar

Registration ends soon for the NC DKG Leadership Development Seminar to be held March 25-26 at Caraway Conference Center near Asheboro. The deadline to apply and make payment is February 28, 2023. Check the NC DKG website for more information.

NCDKGEF Announcements

The Foundation has learned that Theta Chapter will offer six Marilyn F Grinwis Gray Scholarships in 2023. The Gray Scholarships, \$3,000 each, are available to individuals currently enrolled in Music Education or Elementary Education degree programs at a recognized college or university in North Carolina. The applications are available on the [website](#) and the deadline is **March 10**. Members and non-members may apply.

NC DKG Convention News

*Linking the Past, Present and Future...
Key Women Educators Moving Forward*

April 28-30, 2023 ~ Greenville

<u>Date</u>	<u>What It</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Due</u> 2/15	<u>Is/Link</u> Workshop Proposal Form	Second VP Tammy Cullom First VP Hilda A. Parlér
3/15	Convention Program Ad Form	Checks to: Leslie Black, NC DKG Treasurer, 4715 Little Mountain Rd., Catawba, NC 28609-8212
3/15	Questions to Carol Bostian Marketplace Vendor Form	Finance Committee Chair Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon
4/9	Convention Registration	Convention Treasurer Leslie Black

Registration and Hotel – Make your registration for the 2023 NC DKG Convention! Early registration is open until April 9. The fee increases \$10 after that date, and meal tickets and materials are not guaranteed.

Hotel registration is available through the Holiday Inn website, but is easiest made with a phone call to the hotel at 252-355-8300 during normal business hours. Mention the code DKG for the group rate.

Society Representative - DKG Membership Director Patricia “Trish” Woodley will be NC DKG’s Society Representative at the convention. Trish joined the DKG staff in 2018. She will be our speaker on Saturday evening and do a session or two on Saturday. She will bring energy to a membership focus.

Entertainment Announced - Entertainment for Friday will be the Carolina Chord Connection, a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society based in Greenville. The mixed chorus sings a capella arrangements of traditional and contemporary songs. Elaine Yontz, a member of Delta Xi, is a member of this group.

Entertainment for Saturday, April 29, will be students from the Littleton Academy Drum Circle in Littleton. Their teacher, Diane Colin, Gamma Chi Chapter, received funds from the Maxine and Don McCall Grant from the NC DKG Educational Foundation to purchase and upgrade drums. The Drum Circle will play Native American, African, and Caribbean music.

DKG News



The Jan/Feb 2023 issue of [DKG News](#) has been posted to the website. The main article focuses on the three international conferences planned for this summer in Detroit, Michigan; Phoenix, Arizona; and Tampere, Finland. “Moving Forward with Vitality, Relevance, and Sustainability in Our Changing World” will be the theme in all three.

NC DKG & DKG Upcoming Events

Feb. 1, 2023 — Scholarship applications due for NC DKG & DKG International

Feb. 15 — DKG Art Gallery submissions due

Feb. 15 — NC DKG Convention workshop proposals due

Feb. 28 — Deadline to apply for Leadership Development Seminar

Mar. 1 Bulletin: Journal — submissions due

Mar. 1 — DKGIEF Project applications due

Mar. 15 — NC DKG Convention vendor requests and program ads deadline

March 25-26 — Leadership Development Seminar

March 25-26 — NC DKG Leadership

Convention, Caraway Conference Center

Mar. 27 — Group rate for convention hotel ends

April 28-30 — NC DKG Convention, Greenville

July 11-16 — DKG Conference, Detroit, MI

July 26-29 — DKG Conference, Tampere, Finland

2024 — International Convention, Maryland



Holiday Social

More photos of the meeting will be published with the December Minutes in our next issue.



Future Chi Meetings

March 28 - 6:30 PM - Life on Lexington Church
Politician TBA

April 15 - 5 PM - River Landing Golf Clubhouse
Spring Banquet – Chi, Beta Xi, and Beta Omicron



Contacts

[DKG International Website](#)

[NC DKG Website](#)

[Chi Website](#)



Keynotes for Chi Submissions

Information

Anticipated

Deadline:

Publication date:

March 21

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April 18

April 25

May 9

May 16

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