



Keynotes for Chi

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GREETINGS CHI MEMBERS,

You are wonderful! We had eleven members at the Tuesday evening meeting on October 4 with Beta Zi, Beta Omicron and Chi, and nineteen at our Saturday noon meeting on October 15. The baskets brought were amazing. We have made \$259.00 dollars so far. Your efforts are so appreciated.

Our Saturday meeting allowed a positive time of sharing and caring. The presentation by our regional director, Mary Pickett, was informative and encouraging. New ideas are welcome and helpful.

I have a calendar on the refrigerator due to fear that I may forget something I need to do for DKG. If any of you email or call to remind me of something, you are most welcome to help in this manner.

As we are coming to the season of joy and forgiveness, we are excited about our Christmas Tea on the first Sunday of December at 3 o'clock PM. We are having it early in December in hopes that many of you will be able to attend. As we give thanks at Thanksgiving and sing carols of joy at Christmas, we realize that looking at the positive in others and forgiving is so helpful. It looks like we are going to have around thirty people at our December gathering. This is wonderful. The price will be nineteen dollars. If the price prevents you from coming, please let me know, because we want all to be able to come and join the celebration.

The Christmas Tea Menu includes:

Mini-Beef Wellington

with stone ground dry mustard sauce,

a variety of finger sandwiches,

prosciutto wrapped asparagus,

fruits with yogurts and chocolate,

and scones with cream cheese and fruit spreads.

The director of dietary is going to demonstrate special table decorations with food for the Christmas season. We are using the round tables

and Lyn is adding a table decoration. We will have baskets available for auction for our members. Some will make great Christmas presents. We are looking forward to having a great time together.

Debbie Rosenquist, President



Return of Third Friday Lunches

Friday, December 16 - 12:30 pm

Please join us as we resume our Friday lunch gatherings! Purely social occasions, we meet at Gianni's (1124 Eastchester Dr., High Point) to enjoy each other's company and get to know each other better. Their all-you-can-eat pizza and salad buffet is terrific and under \$10 – or they have a menu available. If you plan to join us, please let [Betty Mayer](#) know by Sunday, December 11.

Hope to see you there!

Chi Holiday Social

Sunday, December 4
3:00 PM

River Landing Golf Clubhouse
1575 John Knox Drive
Colfax, NC 27235

Treasurer's Report

The bank figures as of November 21, 2022:

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| Truist Community Checking | \$5,435.82 |
| Business Money Rate Savings | \$1,322.81 |

[Nancy Tucker](#), Treasurer



Member News

Happy Birthday to:

December:

02 – Carol Blackwelder
03 – Tonya Welch
10 – Darla Mintz
10 – Monica Patterson
21 – Susan Martz
26 – Ann Harris

January:

07 – Linda Millen
10 – Pat Sams
12 – Martha Alley
23 – Gayle Brookbank
23 – Kay Tucker
25 – Betty Mayer



Anne Sheffield's daughter Elizabeth and Alex Arey announced their engagement after a romantic trip to Greece. The only wedding information they've shared is that it will be a long engagement!

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

Chaynel Blake Nichols in the unexpected death of her 49-year-old sister in November,

Ann Harris as she recuperates from Covid, **Pat**

Davis's husband as he has surgery for kidney

cancer, **Judy Gecinger** as she continues to

recuperate from pancreatic cancer surgery,

Gayle Brookbank as she makes steady progress

recuperating from hip surgery, and **Mary Gordon**

as she has felt well enough to enjoy several trips with family and friends.

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

Member Spotlight



Kay Tucker graduated from UNCG with a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education. She began her teaching career in Winter Garden, Florida, teaching 3s in the Orange County Migratory Child Compensatory Program. She later taught 2nd, 3rd and Kindergarten grades at Oak Hill in High Point and finished her career teaching 2s and 3s and Kindergarteners at Wesley Memorial School.

Kay retired in 2018 after 38 years. She is still involved with the WMS volunteering to help with events, mentoring a new teacher, and serving on the school board.

Amanda Thompson Wins Grant



Amanda with Kernersville Mayor Dawn Morgan

Through the Kernersville Chamber Teacher Grant Program 2022 and Winston-Salem Forsyth County Schools, Amanda Thompson (who teaches at East Forsyth Middle School) received a \$950 grant to improve educational opportunities for her classroom. With the money, Amanda enhanced her reading nook with shelves, a rug, comfy chairs and a café high table where students can read online and recharge their devices. Chi Chapter is proud of Amanda's efforts to meet her students' needs and interests.

Membership News

It is time to select new Chi members. Please bring your nominee's contact data to the Christmas Social on Sunday, December 4th. I will have Prospect Card Forms at the meeting for you to complete. Or, just forward your nominee's data directly to me by email, text, or phone. Be sure to include your nominee's name, mailing address, e-mail address, employer, position, and cell phone number.

The first deadline for submitting prospective members is the end of December. We must vote on eligible nominees in early February, complete their orientation in March, and initiate them in April.

Thank you for supporting the Chi recruiting efforts. The heart of the society is its members.

[Betty Mayer](#), Membership Expansion



Projects News

LEAP - Please continue to collect books for our LEAP project. You can bring them to our Christmas Tea or order online and have them delivered to my home address. Thank you for your continued support of our community's literacy.

FAMILY JUSTICE LEAGUE - In January, February, and March we will be gathering items for the bags we make for the children of FJL clients. Small puzzle books, stickers, and coloring books entertain them. You can bring these in person to the meetings or bring them by my home. Many thanks for your gracious contributions.

[Phyllis McCoy](#), Projects



Grants

Congratulations to our Chi mini-grant recipients: Crystal White, Kayla Mabe and Karen Jobe.

Check out 2023 Spring Grants in the NC DKG Educational Foundation's November Newsletter. Grant requests are due January 31, 2023.

[Kay Tucker](#), Scholarship



Educational Law and Policy

In November, two important issues were addressed in *EdDaily* by EdNC. The NC Supreme Court ruled the General Assembly must transfer funds for the Leandro education plan. Also, the Professional Educator Preparation and Standards Commission sent a "Blueprint for Action" on teacher licensure and pay to the State Board of Ed for consideration in December. (See complete articles in the Nov. 4 article by EdNC). For other current education news across NC, subscribe to [EdNC's EDWeekly](#).

[Betsy Hodge](#), Ed Law



Schools for Africa

The Global Awareness Committee will continue to accept funds for our Schools for Africa project through the end of December. We have a great start from donations at our October meeting. We enjoyed hearing from several members who had something to "brag about." Others decided to forgo collecting change and instead gave dollar bills. We are pleased to report a total of \$53.00 so far. Bring your donations to our Holiday Social, or mail a check to Nancy Tucker. Thanks so much for your support.

[Rhonda Hunt](#), Global Awareness



Impacting Personal & Professional Pride

We invite Chi members to submit a piece of art (photography, painting, writing, etc.) to the DKG Spring Gallery between Jan.15 and Feb.15.

We will do Celebrate-a-Teacher later this year for NC DKG Educational Foundation. Donations will be collected from individual members this year by those wishing to honor a teacher. Let's aim for 100% participation! More info later.

Our "Member Spotlight" is in this issue and will continue for the year. Let Mary Ann know if you have been awarded a scholarship, grant or an honor. We want to celebrate YOU!

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



NC DKG Convention News April 28 – 30, Greenville

Registration Open, Vendor Form Ready

Registration for the 2023 NC DKG Convention in Greenville is now online. Show your DKG pride and be among the first to register! The vendor form is also online. If you or your chapter would like to sell in the marketplace, fill out the form and pay by March 15, 2023. Find the registration form or vendor form under the “New on the website” box on the NC DKG homepage.

Pre-convention Activities

Three activities will be offered as pre-convention fun to the 2023 NC DKG Convention in Greenville, April 28-30, 2023—a workshop, a tour of ECU, and a self-guided tour of the host city.

Dr. Kaye Dotson will present the workshop “Putting Traditional Play Back into Practice for Children: Engage, Learn, Play.” The workshop will begin at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 27, followed by a field trip to ECU/Pitt County Community School for hands-on activities with the children. Cost is \$50, with \$25 being donated to the NC DKG Educational Foundation. Participants will receive a copy of Dr. Dotson’s book and may earn one CEU.

An afternoon bus tour of East Carolina University will give attendees a view of West and Main Campuses and include a visit to the ECU/Pitt County Community School to visit there and meet with the principal about the research and technology used in the school. Cost is \$10.

A self-guided tour of “Uptown Greenville” using a provided map will allow you to visit various museums, shops, and restaurants on Friday and during your stay.

Convention Chair [Dr. Phyllis Broughton](#) and the Convention Planning Committee will be happy to answer questions about the three pre-convention options.



Leadership Development Seminar

The biennial NC DKG Leadership Development Seminar will be held March 25-26, 2023, at Caraway Conference Center near Asheboro. The theme will be NC DKG Leadership: Honoring the Past, Embracing the Present, and Inspiring the Future! Activities will begin on Saturday afternoon at 3:00 and end after lunch on Sunday. There will be optional activities on Friday and Saturday morning, including a Seagroves pottery excursion. Participants will be limited to 30 members. Registration will open in January but mark your calendars now and watch for more information from the Leadership Development Committee soon.

NCDKGEF Announcements

The NC DKG Educational Foundation has announced 20 grant awards for the Fall cycle totaling over \$12,500. These grants included five in the Learning/Literacy category, four in Continuing Education, five from the McCall Endowment, two from the Cranford Endowment, and four from the Copeland Endowment. Watch for more details and names of the winners in the Fall NC DKG News or on the NCDKGEF website.

The Foundation’s Annual Day of Giving will be Tuesday, November 29. Every member is asked to donate \$5 on this day. All donations will go toward the Spring cycle of grants. Go to the website and click on the Donation Page tab to give.

Zoom with DKG International Leaders

Every member has the opportunity to network with DKG leaders each month! Executive Director Nita Scott in her column in the Nov/Dec DKG News writes, “Inside International, held on the first Tuesday of every month, is a Zoom opportunity to join a conversation with Headquarters staff, 2022–2024 International Administrative Board and international committee members, and members from around the world who join the Zoom! Times alternate each month — 12:30 p.m. CT and 5:30 p.m. CT — to accommodate time zone differences.” The next Zoom will be December 6 at 5:30 p.m. CT. Find the Zoom link on the home page of the DKG website.



Debbie and Lyn provided soup.
Members enjoyed the luncheon.



CHI CHAPTER MINUTES

Saturday, October 15, 2022 12:00-3:00
Life Christian Church

After lunch, **President Debbie Rosenquist** welcomed members and called the meeting to order at 12:43. After reading the Chapter Collect, members sang the DKG song. Quorum was established. The agenda was accepted with one correction and minutes approved and filed with a motion by **Mary Ann Hart** with a second by **Susan Sumpter**. Members thanked **Former Chi President Mary Ann Hart** for her strong leadership last year.

Members present (19) were: M. Hart, T. Welch, S. Fleenor, S. Sumpter, C. White, C. Robinson, K. Smith, S. Finch, S. Hedrick, S. Martz, B. Hodge, K. Winklosky, R. Hunt, A Sheffield, L. Chandler, M. Wade, M. Pickett, A. Harris, D. Rosenquist.

Mary Ann Hart, Impacting Personal and Professional Pride, discussed eligibility of nominations for Rising Star and Golden Key Awards. Donations of Appreciation for Life on Lexington Church is appreciated.

Tonya Welch, Fundraising, shared idea for frosted vases with DKG image to be sold for \$30.00.

President Debbie Rosenquist shared greetings from Beth Winstead, DKG State President and

shared notes from NC Teacher of the Year. She introduced speaker, **Mary Pickett**, our Regional Director. She spoke about the importance of taking care of your mental and physical health and ideas for beginning teachers.

Anne Sheffield, Communications, reminded us that newsletter information is to be turned in by November 22 in 12-point Times New Roman font. 82% RSVPed to the meeting Evite. Thank you cards were received from S. Marsh and B. Hodge.

Rhonda Hunt, Global Awareness, reminded members to collect change in water bottles for Schools of Africa. Members donated money for bragging rights. Emails for bragging rights in the newsletter can be sent to Anne S.

Kayla Renew, Beginning Teacher Support, asked members to email her with ideas on how to choose new teachers for our support.

If there are any questions about mini-grants, please call **Kay Tucker**.

Susan Sumpter, Leadership Development, encouraged members to submit information to DKG state publications. November 1 is the deadline for some entries.

Betty Mayer, Membership Expansion, gave an example of a prospect card for new members.

Betsy Hodge, Educational Law and Policy and Sunshine Committee, encouraged members to vote in November. Leandro cases are still in process and teacher licensure guidelines are still coming. Betsy reminded members to keep Gayle Brookbank and Pat Davis in our prayers and thoughts at this time. At this time, there are no family needs.

Phyllis McCoy, Projects, thanked members for bags for the Family Justice Center and books for High Point LEAP. **Dr. Claire Robinson** shared that we provided over 2000 books in just 2 years. Reminders were given about the Christmas Tea at 3:00 on the 1st Sunday in December. Cost to be announced. At 3:00 a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Anne Sheffield with a second by Susan Sumpter.

Respectfully submitted,
Darla Mintz, Secretary



Joint DKG Meeting

Beta Omicron, Beta Xi, and Chi Chapters
 Tuesday, October 4 – 5:30 pm
 First Presbyterian Church, HP



Speakers

Mary Pickett, our Region VII Regional Director
 and
 NC TOY 2021 Eugenia Floyd



DKG News



The Nov/Dec 2022 issue of *DKG News* is now online and the front page features the three sites for next summer’s conferences— Detroit, Phoenix, and Tampere. The theme for all three will be “Moving Forward with Vitality, Relevance, and Sustainability in Our Changing World”. It also includes messages from the international president and executive director, an update on the website redesign, and updates from the Editorial Board. NC DKG Alpha Psi member Tonya Allison is featured in the DKGIEF article. Find this latest issue on the DKG website under “Publications”!

NC DKG & DKG Upcoming Events

March 25-26, 2023 – NC DKG Leadership Convention, Caraway Conference Center
April 28-30, 2023 — NC DKG Convention, Greenville
July 11-16, 2023 — DKG Conference, Detroit, MI
July 26-29, 2023 — DKG Conference, Tampere, Finland
2024 - International Convention, Maryland

Future Chi Meetings

March 28 - 6:30 PM - Life on Lexington Church
 Politician TBA
 April 15 - 5 PM - River Landing Golf Clubhouse
 Spring Banquet - Beta Xi and Beta Omicron



Contacts

[DKG International Website](#)

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Keynotes for Chi Submissions

| <u>Information</u> | <u>Anticipated</u> |
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| <u>Deadline:</u> | <u>Publication date:</u> |
| January 24 | January 31 |
| March 21 | March 28 |
| April 18 | April 25 |
| May 9 | May 16 |

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