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Celebrating 80 Years of Kappa Chapter

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The Presidents' Message

Jeannette Carofano & Gloria Jones

Kappa Applauds Our Active Teachers

"Not all superheroes have capes, some have Teaching Degrees." -Unknown

Every year as a teacher has its challenges. Maybe this was the year "there was something in the water" that your class was predominantly hyper, or a new math or reading series was adopted or you never knew from one day to the next if you'd be in your classroom or on Zoom.

But teachers adapt, rise to the occasion and pull out their reserves of enthusiasm to inspire students as learners. Teachers can't have "bad days." The needs of twenty-five students outweigh the personal stressors of a teacher. Spending nights checking homework papers, researching for lessons or contacting parents takes precedence over watching favorite TV shows or a nap when you get home.

Being a teacher is tough, physically and emotionally. What other job challenges your bladder to sustain itself for 7-9 hours on a daily basis? Even airplane pilots get to use the bathroom during a flight! What other job has so many critics who think they can do your job because they "went to school" and know all about it?

The difficulties, challenges and hardships of being a teacher are outweighed, we all know, by the dear souls of our students, their smiles and tears, their struggles and accomplishments. When a former student drops into your classroom to visit, or searches for you on Facebook or sends you a Christmas card *that* is the long-term reward of being a teacher. The grumbling fades away as we remember each child and the time we spent together.

Keep this message in your heart:

"Most of us end up with no more than five or six people who remember us. Teachers have thousands of people who remember them for the rest of their lives."- Andy Rooney

Active Kappa teachers, we remember you, we appreciate you and we applaud you! We sincerely wish you to have a nice day!

Tanya Filmore-Scott Lisa Hall Brenda Hopkins

Tina McClanahan Elizabeth Pratt Kim Smith Melinda Willison





Preview the Trio menu at https://www.trio-charlotte.com/limited-menu/

Team Kappa Rises to the Top!

Team Kappa made it to the Top 100 Cream of the CROP Walk teams! We rank #86 out of over 5,000 CROP Teams in the country for 2021. Awesome!



Kevin McCoy, CROP Walk, Charlotte

Remember...

Bring your pop-tops to the April luncheon.





Lisa Hall: Published Photographer

Following Lisa's photo inclusion DKG Fine Arts Gallery, she was interviewed for the group's blog. Lisa shared her experiences and expertise as a photographer in an extensive interview.



www.dkgsi.blogspot.com

Concurrently, Lisa had another photo selected for the Carolina Country Scenes January 2022

printing. This little neighbor girl helped Lisa rake her yard. The impulse struck and the moment was immortalized.



Congratulations, Lisa!

If you have a hobby you'd like to share with members, contact <u>Jeannette</u>.



Voting for New Officers will take place at the April 2nd meeting at Trio's.

Kappa, Charlotte

Sat., May 14th 12-3 @ Squirrel Lake Park, Matthews

By Brenda Coble, Ways & Means Chr.

We will again have our **Mystery Bag Silent Auction** at our Spring Picnic. This is a Kappa Fund Raiser for upcoming projects.

If you would like to bring a bag for the auction, please do the following:

- pick a theme (or not),
- choose items to place in the bag (price could be up to \$20, total),
- put item(s) in bag, SECURELY TAPE THE BAG CLOSED (TO AVOID TEMPTING ANY PEEKERS!) and
- bring it to the picnic.

Your bag will be given a number and a sign-up sheet for bids. Hopefully your bag will receive lots of bids. High bid at the end of the auction will win the bag. We always enjoy seeing what everyone has won. Just have fun with your bag.

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda.





Tech Tidbits

Guest Contributor Tony Carofano

Fraudulent Emails

The frequency of fraudulent emails increases by the hour. This is a reminder to stay ever vigilant when reading and responding. The perpetrators send these emails out repeatedly knowing that eventually someone will have a weak moment and respond without giving proper thought.

Many of these cons appear to be urgent and include the following situations:

- You have won an award or a gift card
- A friend desperately needs you to buy a gift card for them
- Your login for a bank or credit card has been compromised
- There has been unusual activity on your (store name) account
- Your anti-virus program is about to expire
- And on and on....

When you receive these emails, send them directly to the TRASH. **Do not click on links/attach-ments** in the email or reply to a phone number provided within the email. This gives them the opportunity to steal important personal information from you.

Celebrating Women of Excellence in Education



Melinda Willison graduated from the Clinical Mental Health Counseling MS program at Capella University. Her next step: a doctorate degree.



Tina McClanahan received a \$250 scholarship from Kappa towards her second National Board recertification.
Tina has been with CMS 34 years, serving as a Title 1 Pre-k Literacy Facilitator for CMS Bright Beginnings since 2006.



Lisa Hall presented a \$250 scholarship to teacher-to-be Haley Skinner, graduating senior at Marvin Ridge High School.

News from NC DKG

April 29- May 1, 2022 NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza Resort

Convention Registration: Early Bird Ends April 10 NC Data March 15, 2022

The deadline to register to be guaranteed meals and materials is April 10. There will be on-site registration for a slightly higher fee (\$100). Registration is through a Google form and may be paid by check or credit card. Detailed info is on the registration form. Contact NC DKG Executive Secretary Elizabeth Miars with questions regarding registration and Convention Treasurer Leslie Black about payments.

Hotel Group Rate: Ends March 29

Hotel reservations may be made by calling the toll-free number 1-844-330-0296 (24/7) and mentioning the group name "Eta State Delta Kappa Gamma." The special group rate is \$155 for two queen beds and only applies to Friday and Saturday nights. Reservations may also be made online at www.ncdkg.org.

International President Rebecca (Becky) Sadowski will be the Society Representative at the April 2022 NC DKG Convention in Asheville.



Educational Law and Policy Committee Stay Informed... NC Data March 15, 2022

Our NC Legislature has been very busy this school year, passing a 2.5% pay raise for most teachers and creating a fund to help smaller districts increase their local supplements.

Public education, including student skill recovery, teacher recruitment, and retention, will continue to be a big topic during the upcoming election season.

With much at stake, your NC ELP Committee will present strategies at the NC DKG Annual Convention in Asheville to help your chapter advocate for teachers in your area. We hope to see you there! Find helpful links to stay informed at https://bit.lv/ NCDKG-ELP.

News from DKG International

The July 12-15, 2022 DKG Convention in New Orleans will

include something for everyone—general meetings to conduct Society business, inspirational speakers, breakout and takeaway sessions, social time, the Celebration of Life ceremony, and time for exploring the city.

Here are some important things to know:

- The Sheraton New Orleans is the convention hotel. Online hotel reservations can be made now the link takes you directly to the DKG Convention reservation page.
- · The DKG Convention online registration is open. Early bird registration ends June 12.
- \cdot The convention schedule is available on the DKG website.
- · Apply to display in the Member Art Gallery, signup to participate in the convention chorus, or submit information for doctoral recognition on the convention Forms page.

Read more about the convention speakers, 2022-2024 DKG officer nominees, and more in the January/ February DKG News. NC DKG members attending the DKG International Convention in New Orleans are asked to send their names to NC DKG Executive Secretary Elizabeth Miars so that she can plan for an NC evening of fellowship.

120 Proposed Amendments to Constitution & Standing Rules Now Online in Mar/Apr DKG News

New Orleans Convention Agenda Item:

Because there has not been an in-person convention since 2018, some proposals have been carried forward with the proposer's consent and others are new submissions.

Pages 11-85 deal with the proposals. Download this large edition from the Publications ® DKG News page once you are logged into the DKG website www.dkg.org.



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Thinking of You



Sincere condolences to

Beverly Griffin on the passing of her dear aunt

Dr. Smith on the passing of her cousins Gary, Timothy & Harry Lee Holloman

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Jeannette Carofano and Gloria Jones

Socialize on https://www.facebook.com/DKGKAPPA/

CONNECT on the State Level at http://www.ncdkg.org

& on the International Level at https://www.dkg.org

Join the conversations on social media: https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtaState/ Tweets by @Eta_State

2021-2022 Kappa Calendar

April 2/Sat. Spring Luncheon & Induction 10-12 noon
Trio Restaurant, 10709 McMullen Creek Pkway & Rt. 51,
Char.

Guest Speaker: Harold Dixon, former NC PTA President

May 14/Sat. Picnic @ Squirrel Lake Park, Matthews 12-3 pm

Potluck – Bring a favorite picnic food to share!

Make a Mystery Bag, Pottery for sale, Awards

June 14/Tues. Executive Board Meeting 10 am-2 pm Sam Sipe's home, Lake Norman – All are invited! Bring a bag lunch

Bunco \$10 to play, \$1 for snacks

June 21/Tues. Day Trip 8:30 am-4 pm

Pearl Fryar Garden/Topiary, Bishopville, SC & SC Mac's Pride Fresh Peaches, McBee, SC Further details to come!

2021-2022 DKG/NC DKG Events

April 1 Deadline for postmarked NC DKG ConventionApril 10 Deadline for Early Bird NC DKG ConventionRegistration

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

Have you moved?

Changed your phone number or email address?

Send address and email changes IMMEDIATELY to Chapter Treasurer Lynne Nadel and to DKG International Office. Log in www.dkg.org to change your personal information.



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