NC Kappa Keynotes

Region VIII Kappa Chapter, Charlotte Mecklenburg County North Carolina (NC DKG)



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The Presidents' Message

Jeannette Carofano & Gloria Jones

The NC DKG Convention in Asheville was non-stop action. Kappa was recognized for contributing the most chapter donations in the State to the NC DKG Educational Foundation Celebrate a Teacher - Honoring Heroes campaign. Our Website/ Newsletter/Facebook Communications were honored for top excellence. And Kappa Chapter earned a Superior Chapter Achievement Award for our past year's meetings, community activities, charitable donations and other member engagement. A pat on the back to everyone who practiced being an active member this year. Your dedication to teachers and students is outstanding and appreciated.

The Educational Law & Policy Committee's workshop focused on the proposed certification and pay scale model to take effect January 2023. Read the newsletter article under NC DKG News, follow the given link to a detailed explanation and study the chart on the following page. These changes are revolutionary for our profession. It is vital to our profession that you contact NC legislators and communicate your opinion on these plans. Time is slipping away to make a difference for fellow educators before this legislation is finalized. We ask you to urgently respond to this issue before your chance passes.

Jeannette & Gloria, Co-Presidents



Welcome, 2022 Inductees!



Jennifer De La Jara is currently serving as Member-at-Large for the CMS Board of Education and is running for the Board of County Commissioners. She has spoken at multiple Kappa meetings, and holds a Master's Degree in ESL Education.



Lauren Rogers is the Volunteer and Outreach Manager at International House and recently served as our guest speaker via ZOOM for World Fellowship. She currently holds a BA in Communication Studies and a BA in International Studies

from UNC-Wilmington. Having been recently accepted into N.C. State's Master of Education Program, Lauren will pursue that degree remotely in the fall.



Bring your Pop-tops to the Picnic!!

March collection: 8.7 pounds

From April 1, 2021- March 2, 2022, Kappans have donated 79.8 pounds of pop-tops, a squeak below 20 nights' lodging for parents at the Ronald McDonald House, Charlotte. *Thank you!* And keep collecting!

Kappa, Charlotte



Sat., May 14th 12-3 @ Squirrel Lake Park, 1631 Pleasant Plains Rd, Matthews

Join us for fun, fellowship and accolades!

To Do:

*Sign-up to attend and be sure to tell us what food item you are bringing to the picnic.

Go back to your Punchbowl invitation or use the link below. After the invitation is open, below the picnic table graphic, click on TO-DO Items. Read the list of food categories. Add your name and the specific food you plan to bring under the correct category label. Click the blue "I'll bring this" box and your item is registered.

Here's the link to the Punchbowl picnic page:

https://www.punchbowl.com/partypage/3ecfe87 dc84c1f8f?utm_source=Punchbowl+Transactional +Mail&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Invit ation

- *Participate in the Mystery Bag Silent Auction!
 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. High bid at the end of the auction will win the bag.
- *Save postage! Bring your \$76 dues and optional Invest in Kappa donation. Make checks payable to: Kappa Chapter/DKG.

New Officers will be installed! Awards!!

Lynne's pottery will be for sale!

News from NC DKG

URGENT READING!

Educational Law & Policy Committee

NC DATA April 15, 2022

Stay Informed... Have you heard about legislative proposals to change the way teachers are promoted and compensated in NC? Or the new legislative committee gathering ideas to establish a different NC education system? Learn more about these items and how your chapter can advocate for teachers in your area. Check out the ELP folder for legislative updates and NC legislative seats up for vote this May. Stay informed at

https://bit.ly/NCDKG-ELP

See the graphic NC Pathways to Excellence for Teaching Professionals following this page. This certification pay scale is planned for implementation this coming January 2023.

NC DATA April 15, 2022

World Fellowship Makes a Difference

Dr. Susan Blackburn, NC DKG World Fellowship Rep

NC Chapters, thank you for your annual contributions to the World Fellowship Fund. Because of your giving, 1,029 women in 122 countries have received awards totaling \$3,739,250 since 1960! These women have been given the opportunity to acquire higher education that they may not have otherwise been able to obtain in their own countries.

News from DKG International

Dress for Success Convention Project

NC DATA April 15, 2022

International may be taking a page from NC's handbook— there is a convention project local to the convention city! Dress for Success New Orleans' "mission is to empower women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life."

The project asks attendees to bring a professional handbag filled with interview-appropriate jewelry, unopened makeup or cosmetics, and a cash or check donation to Dress for Success New Orleans. Include a note of inspiration such as "you've got this," "believe in yourself" or "stay strong." Drop off your donation to the DKG collection area (near registration) at the Sheraton New Orleans either Tuesday, July 12, 3:00-6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 13, 7:00-8:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., or Thursday, July 14, 7:30-8:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

2022
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



JULY 12-16

Sheraton New Orleans, 500 Canal St.

https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Events

Read the proposed certification and pay scale categories on the following page!

North Carolina Pathways to Excellence for Teaching Professionals

Entry-Level Certifications Learning Permit is valid for up to two years while earning a bachelor's degree.

Professional-Level Certification & Advanced Credentials

CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE/ STARTING PROPOSED UNIVERSITY INDUSTRY SALARY COLLEGE/ eligibility. any entry license profession with enter the Candidates can equivalent based on their Co-teacher salary coursework associate's degree or Must hold an TA position) opposed to classified teaching license (as Holds an SBE License 4 teacher must work as a coleacher of record, and Not eligible to be eacher with a Apprentice Teacher Licenses I-III are valid for a combined total of five years mentor certification and have industry bachelor's degree or experience Professional Starting salary and Advanced Teacher Paired with an Must hold a 4dvancement LICENSE I Residency \$38K Teacher in Demonstrate basic or foundational level of mentor content AND pedagogy Paired with an Professional Increased salary and Advanced Teacher Advancement Accoun Residency -Skills completing state completing other approved process credentials, or assessments, or passing required approved microdevelopment Teacher in \$40K pedagogy by: mentor content AND in retirement plan Demonstrate Account, and vester Advancement Professional ncreased salary, Advanced Teacher Paired with an ntermediate level for Residency -Skills completing state passing required completing other credentials, or approved process approved microassessments, or advancement LICENSE III \$45K Teacher in EPP Competitive, professional salary instruction for 3+ years out of 5 Must demonstrate effective teaching LICENSE IV Teacher Expert \$56K License 4 Must be renewed every 5 years. increased salary once employed at this level Must demonstrate highly effective Significantly for 3+ years out of t serve students at Allows teachers to teaching instruction ncreased capacit TEACHER: ADVANCED Excellence Classroom \$61K Significantly increased salary once employed at this level Must demonstrate competency in adult leadership coached highly effective ADVANCED via microstaff being increased teaching credentials effectiveness of years out of 5 instruction for 34 TEACHER _eadership \$72K Adult

As with the current state salary structure, districts have the option to supplement the state minimum salaries or give additional bonuses Successful EPP graduates who pass content and pedagogy requirements at the time of licensure can enter with License 3.



Tech Tidbits

Guest Contributor Tony Carofano

STOP RECEIVING TOO MANY CELL PHONE CALLS

Do you want to stop strangers and spam callers from ringing your phone? With the proper setting enabled your phone will only ring if you know the person calling and all other calls will go to voicemail (if they leave a message). You will also get your normal visual phone call notification but no annoying ringing. Incoming calls will continue to ring from people in your contacts and from recent outgoing calls. If this sounds appropriate for you try the following steps:

iPhone

- 1 Open the "Settings" app
- 2 Scroll down and open "Phone"
- 3 Scroll down and select "Silence Unknown Callers"
- 4 Toggle switch over to the right to the on position

<u>Android Phone</u> (settings may vary slightly from carrier to carrier)

- 1 Open the phone icon (usually at the bottom of home screen).
- 2 Select the three dots at top of screen and look for dropdown menu
- 3 Select "Settings"
- 4 Select "Block Numbers" and select "Block Unknown Callers"
- 5 Toggle switch over to the right to the on position

This is an easy, free and effective way to limit the phone ringing to only phone numbers in your contacts. Enjoy knowing that when your phone rings, it is someone you know.

2021-2022 Kappa Calendar

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

May 15 Bulletin: Journal submissions due July 1 Beginning of new DKG year and new biennium for chapter

July 12-16, 2022 — International Convention, New Orleans, LA

April 28-30, 2023 — NC DKG Convention, Greenville

New Officers' Events

May 8 Region VIII Meeting, 7 pm, Zoom
May 23 ASK mtg w/Pres. Beth Winstead 7:15 pm, Zoom
June 18 New Leaders Mtg – 9 am-2 pm, Virtual

Pearl Fryar Garden/Topiary Trip



Important information about this June 21st Kappa daytrip will be settled at the Picnic, May 14th! Plan to attend!

Have you moved?

Changed your phone number or email address?

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



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One last Convention note...

The complete Convention program is online at www.ncdkg.org. At the top of the page, click on NEWS, then 2022 Convention. Click on the program booklet clip art. You can then page through the booklet. See Kappa's ad on page 71.

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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

Thinking of You

A speedy recovery to

Sam Sipes following her knee replacement
Charlene Wertz' sister Beverly
Candace Armstrong's sister Sally
Betty Bell from upcoming surgery

Sincere condolences to

Dr. Smith on the passing of her cousin

Roosevelt Bradley





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