

# Lambda News

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Lambda Chapter – Robeson County – Region VI Eta State, North Carolina

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Spring Flowers are beginning to bloom. We are coming out of our Winter hibernation and enjoying the warmer weather. As the flowers are blossoming, consider how you can make Lambda Chapter blossom. Share your

ideas with your committees and the chapter. The Buzzing Bee awards are going strong now thanks to the Programs/Educational Excellence committee. The Personal Growth and Services committee is moving forward with Story Walk and they have done a lot of work on this project. Newsletters are being created and articles are being submitted to newspapers thanks to the Communications/Publicity committee. Membership/Expansion committee has been orientating a prospective new member who will be inducted at the April meeting. Ladies continue to blossom and GROW as individuals and in Lambda Chapter. Christina Wilkins Contact:tinawilins09@gmail.com 910-610-7230

### Dr. Leslie Harris



Congratulates to our member Leslie Harris for obtaining her doctorate in educational leadership with a concentration in educational administration in December 2020 from UNC

Wilmington. She is currently an Assistant Principal at Magnolia Elementary School in Lumberton NC, Harris a passionate educator and a strong supporter of others. Harris has been a member of Lambda Chapter since 2019 and was instrumental in creating and maintaining the chapter's Facebook page. Harris wants to be a professor of education to prepare future teachers for the classroom while research regarding education in rural schools.

### Save the Dates

Lambda Meeting April17 @ 10 am April 20 NC DKG Showcases April 23-25 2021 NC DKG Virtual Convention From the comfort of your home July 7-10 2021 International Conference Portland, Oregon July 21-24 2021 International Conference San Antonio, Texas

# **Young Authors Project**

Janice Gardner recently revealed one of her many talents, by entering her story "Garden Lights" in the NC Reading Association. Her work was accepted as a state winner for the Forever Young' category. The theme of this year's writing was "Let your Light Shine". Janice said "I have endeavored to let my light shine during the past challenging year through gardening and helping others by sharing seeds, plants, and food from the garden - not to mention labor in my garden and others. An anthology of all the winning stories will be published later in the spring." Janice story "Garden Lights" continues to grow, the DKG International Arts and Humanities has also accepted her work into the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts as an entrant of the January 15 - February 15, 2021 submission period. In mid Aprils her work will be displayed in the gallery for six months, after which it will be archived for two years. Congratulations Janice!!



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#### STORYWALK BECOMES LAMBDA'S NEW LITERACY PROJECT



For more than fifteen years, Lambda Chapter sponsored "Rinse and Read" as our literacy project. "Rinse and Read" provided free magazines and books in local laundromats. The arrival of the pandemic brought about a need to change and move on to something else. As educators, we understand the importance of literacy and the need for children (and adults) developing a love of reading. Our Personal Growth and Services (PG&S) Committee presented StoryWalk and was approved by members as the new Lambda Literacy Project. StoryWalk was originally founded in Montpelier, Vermont by Anne Ferguson in 2007. The name StoryWalk, is a registered trademark and fea-

tures installations across the country. Lambda Chapter will provide a fun and educational activity with the pages from a children's story along a trail. An area (to be decided) will be placed in our community. In addition to the pages of a book, activities will also be included. The StoryWalk Trail will help build interest in reading while encouraging healthy outdoor physical fitness among children and families. An Ad Hoc Committee is being formed now. You have not volunteered yet? It is not too late! Contact Pamela Wright – pteelwright@gmail.com or 910-474-6225. Other members of the PG&S Committee include Wanda Aguirre, Nancy Wallace, and Henrietta Graham. StoryWalk will kick-off soon and donations are needed. Members will be asked to donate along with other individuals and community organizations. READY TO DONATE NOW? Mail donations to Dee Motz – 16560 Lakeshore Drive – Wagram, NC 28396. Checks/Money Orders should be made payable to Lambda Chapter – DKG and on the Memo Line – StoryWalk. Pledges are also being accepted (Pay Now, Pay Later Plan) and due by June 1. StoryWalk will be a major project for our chapter, however with ALL of us working together, no matter how large or small the tasks, StoryWalk will become a reality! Margaret Mead said, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

#### MSPKING'S TECH TIPS FOR TEACHING ONLINE

- 1. Keep things simple, focus on what you want your students to learn. Don't overwhelm them with busy work.
- 2. Learn the technology, Learning Management System that delivers your instruction example, CANVAS LMS are designed to help you deliver the instruction trust it.
- 3. Make your students feel a human in on the other side of the screen talk to them, meet with them to make them feel like you care.
- 4. Find a teacher you can talk to and share ideas about how to use technology for instruction no matter how much experience you have you can learn something new.



Registration Open for Summer Conferences Login to the DKG website to register for a conference this summer: Portland, OR, July 7-10 or San Antonio, TX, July 21-24. Find more information under the Events tab or click on the link on the rotator.

# AMENDMENT PROPOSALS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE CONVENTION SHARED

Forty-one amendments to the NC DKG Bylaws and Standing Rules will be considered during the 2021 NC DKG Virtual Convention. Those proposed amendments were attached to the March Eta Data email notification sent on March 11 and are posted on the NC DKG website. The Rules Committee asks presidents to share the proposals with all chapter members. On Saturday morning, April 24, the state Executive Board will vote on whether to recommend each proposal. The General Business meeting will follow immediately. At this time members will vote on whether the proposed amendments will be adopted. (See more on the proposals on page 3.) Only members registered for the convention may vote on the proposed amendments and the election of officers. Registration, which closes at noon on April 19, is \$25. The registration form can be found at https://bit.ly/2021NCDKGConvention.

#### STAY UPDATED VIA VIDEOS



Subscribe the DKG YouTube channel and get notifications of International President Becky Sadowski's video updates. In the March/April update, she relays information on the sale of the Austin

Headquarters building.

# OFFICERS TO BE VOTED UPON AT CONVENTION

Instead of a slate of officers being approved by attendees at a state convention, this year's registrants for the 2021 NC DKG Convention will vote to elect officers from nominees put forth by the Nominations Committee. Registrants will vote between two qualified candidates for president and second vice-president. Only one person applied for the first vice-president and secretary offices. Voting will take place via a Google form. The form will be sent only to those who register for the convention. Announcement of election results by President Dr. Teresa H. Cowan will take place on Saturday, and the installation of the new officers will be live on Sunday afternoon, April 25. Candidates for each office were shared in the Spring 2021 NC DKG News, found on the state website.

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE, EVEN IF NOT REGISTERED FOR CONVENTION

One advantage of a virtual convention is that everyone can participate! With activities before and after the general meetings and workshops, this virtual convention strives to involve everyone! Before the meetings convene on Friday evening, April 23, virtual activities will begin. Each day, beginning Tuesday, a different area of Region XI, hosts for the convention, will be highlighted through a virtual tour, such as the Carl Sandburg home or the Penland School of Crafts. Also each day, beginning at noon, members can enjoy a showcase of NC DKG activities, such as the naming of award winners and the Ceremony of Remembrance. After the convention ends on Sunday, members can still visit the Virtual Marketplace until April 30 to donate to the convention project (Knickers for a New Life) or the Passing of the House for Headquarters. The Virtual Tours and Virtual Showcases will remain available also. For more specific information on the Virtual Tours or the Virtual Showcases, refer to the Spring issue of NC DKG News on the website and watch social media for times.