# Lambda News



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Mission Statement: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. Vision Statement: Leading Women Educators, Impacting Education Worldwide

### President's Message

Shelter in Place, which we all believed was a temporary measure has become the new normal. Educators still in the classroom are facing a unique challenge to develop quality instruction through virtual platforms. We need each other's support and understanding during this time. Likewise Lambda Chapter will began its biennium virtually also. The Lambda executive board meet Friday Sept 21 to plan for this year. Many decisions are in flux as we wait to see if circumstance will change in the next few months. Be supportive of the new officers. Stay Safe and Healthy. Please let one of the officers know if anything happens to you or your family.

~Christina Wilkins

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## NC DKG Leaders Tapped for International Committees

Congratulations to NC DKG Immediate Past President Connie Savell, who has been selected to serve on the International Membership Committee, and to NC DKG President Dr. Teresa H. Cowan, who succeeds Susan Kuenzel, editor of Eta Data, as chair of the International Communications and Marketing Committee for the 2020-2022 biennium. Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon, NC DKG Executive Secretary, continues her term on the International Editorial Board through 2022. Sheila Groves, NC DKG President 2015-2017, ended two terms on the International Constitution Committee.



### **Meeting Information**

Sept 26 (11:00 - 12:30) via Google Meet

December 5, 2020 Lumberton (Christmas Social, Hopefully)

### **Reminders:**

Sept 1-Cornetet Individual PD application due Sept 30: Members who have not paid dues will be dropped

> : Deadline for grants to NC DKG Educational Foundation

Sept 15-Last day to submit to Arts Gallery Nov 1-deadline for submission to Winter DKG News

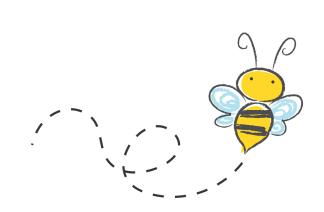
Spring 2020 Gallery

Submission Periods Jan. 15th - Feb. 15th Aug.15th - Sept. 15th

## Lambda 2020-2022 Chapter Officers

President- Christina Wilkins 1<sup>st</sup> VP-Shelia Gasque 2<sup>nd</sup> VP-Janice Gardner Treasurer - Dee Motz Corresponding Secretary-Jennie Gerber Recording Secretary-Susan English

2019-2021 NC DKG Theme Ready, Set, GROW! Cultivate fellowship with Senerations of DKG members Nurture membership with Research-based strategies Energize members with Sportunities for leadership Develop chapters with Well-defined programs You GROW, girl!



**BEE-ginning Teacher Recognition** 

The BUZZ is...BEE-ginning this school year, your Beginning Teacher Support Committee (BTSC) will be sharing Beginning Educator Excelling (BEE) recognition awards. These BEE notes will be delivered to BEE-ginning teachers by our members throughout the year to encourage them and let them know we see the great things they are doing for our students. The certificates are online for chapters to print for distribution to any BEEginning teacher throughout the year. (Scroll to the bottom of the committee page on NC DKG website.) The buzz is... this is a great tool for retaining teachers and recruiting new members. Brenda Reese is chair of the BTSC. Email her with questions.

### **Convention Dates**

April 23 - 25, 2021 - NC DKG Convention, Asheville

Crowne Plaza and Resort

July 7-10, 2021- International Conference- Portland

July 21-24, 2021— International Conference, San Antonio, TX

July 28-31, 2021— International Conference, Tampere, Finland

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

## Nominations and Changes

Nomination Form for New NC DKG Officers: The nomination form for new NC DKG officers includes both a file for information and the link to the Google form for the actual nomination. Nomination recommendations for NC DKG president, first vice-president, second vicepresident, and secretary will be taken until November 15. Contact Missy Wells, Nominations Committee Chair, with questions.

Proposals for Bylaws and Rules Changes: The form to propose changes to NC DKG Bylaws and Standing Rules may be submitted by any member, committee, board, or chapter. The deadline to submit the form is December 1. Send it to Sheila Groves, Rules Committee Chair.

## Becky Sadowski Elected New International President

Rebecca "Becky" Sadowski of Tennessee has been elected DKG's 2020-2022 International President. She will serve with Dr. Lace Marie Brogden (Canada) as First Vice President and June Bowers (Nebraska) as Second Vice President. Candace "Candi" Martin of Arkansas will be the Southeast Regional Director.

President Sadowski's theme will continue to be "Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide." In her President's Acceptance Speech, she said her focus is "you—our members." You can watch her entire acceptance speech online.

The new elected officers, committee and board members for 2020-2022 were installed during the digital highlight Virtual Event of the convention that was cancelled due to Covid-19 concerns. See the other officers and complete elected slate at https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/ Elected\_Officers\_2020\_2022.aspx.

## **Staying Connected**

Phishing scams have become too prevalent, so NC DKG has adopted a policy of not using the email addresses of officers or state leaders on the website or in newsletters. On the website, they will be behind password protection or a contact form will be used, and in newsletters, they will be embedded with a link to the email. President Teresa is encouraging chapters to adopt this policy as well since phishing has also hit chapters in addition to the state and international levels.

## EEC Goals Outlined By: Tobey Worthington, NC DKG First Vice-President

For the new chapter officers, here are the goals that DKG International has established for the Educational Excellence Committee (EEC). As you plan your biennium include these goals so your chapter members will continue to GROW.

Empowering women through leadership opportunities

1. Empower leaders to impact policy and people worldwide.

2. Validate and support members' passions and talents to lead.

3. Inspire, mentor and strengthen members' growth as leaders.

Engaging educators in purposeful programs and projects

1. Provide resources for local programs to involve members in policy discussions on education.

2. Impact educator retention through support for early career and all educators.

3. Collaborate with DKG Forums to empower members in impacting educational legislation, policy and pedagogy.

4. Provide strategies and resources for the integration of programs and projects that provide personal and professional growth, including but not limited to the visual and performing arts.

Creating global involvement

1. Encourage programs/activities that advance increased awareness of and involvement in changing global issues.

2. Promote participation in DKG/UN relationship, including but not limited to the Schools for Africa project.

3. Collaborate with educational, governmental and social agencies to promote literacy, cultural and social integration of refugees and migrants.

## 2020 DKG Virtual Conference

If you missed the DKG conference, don't fret you can watch some of the conference video on the DKG website. Welcome and announcements done by Cathy Daugherty and Nina Scott can be viewed in a YouTube video. Recordings of keynote speakers Olympia LePoint and Jane Golden from their homes are available. New International President Rebecca "Becky" Sadowski gives her acceptance speech and also introduces the DKG International Achievement Award Recipient

## Lambda Board Meeting

The Lambda Executive Board met Friday night to discuss the upcoming year. The first meeting of the year will be virtual. The board will make decisions about meeting for year as they approach. We did not want to plan for hostesses and refreshments only to have to cancel them due to current situation. A program schedule will be sent out soon and no hostesses are planned for the first two meetings. If the situation improves adjustments will be made.

The board is also establishing Q-buddies. Each board member has taken on members to keep in touch with during this time. We want to make sure that our members are doing OK and remaining hopeful for the future.

Ideas about Beginning Teacher project will be shared at the September meeting so make sure you save the date, Sept. 26. We look forward to seeing you then.

### THE VIEW FROM ABOVE 12



As I read President Daugherty's blog post, it struck a chord in my heart. I do not feel I could do justice to her words so I will provide direct quotes from her message.

"Pandora of Greek mythological fame initially unleashed a torrent of evil and uncertainty into the universe when she first unlocked her "forbidden to open box" (We now know that COVID-19 was in that box!). But upon hearing a faint sound from within, she plucked up courage and opened the box again. By doing so Pandora allowed HOPE to escape into the world. In that instance she became the symbol of how strong women can overcome adversity and promote HOPE globally. It's a role we still embrace in all facets of our lives. It motivates our work, our play, our being."

"For each of us there is an area in our mind's eye that transports us to a place where we are happy, free to hug loved ones, seated close enough to someone to get a strong whiff of perfume, or see that shade of lipstick she has applied. It's a time when the only masks one wears is associated with a cultural event, a Mardi Gras parade, or a Halloween gathering. HOPE fuels those "mind" views and boosts our spirits in the process."

Let's Keep Hope Alive

*Excerpt from July 1, 2020,* https://dkgpresident.blogspot.com/

### **Congratulations!**

Lambda Sister Nancy Johnson who was featured in the summer 2020 *Seasons* issue. The article was titled "Art becomes life's work for local women". If you have not read it take a look, it was a wonderfully informative article on Nancy and her lifelong love of art.



Saddletree Pow Wow Dancer



Handmade Jewelry

### **Congratulations!**

Lambda Sister Pamela Wright is a published author. Her book is now available for purchase on Amazon.



a collection of lessons learned, recipes, and loving memories from my mama



Pamela Teel Wright Foreword by Lydia Ann Haley, daugheer of the late author Alex Haley



August 11-Cecilia Pearson 22-Phyllis King

September 13-Nancy Wallace 14-Brenda Johnson 28-Iola Winsett

Oct 11-Pamela Wright 12-Ellen Wilkerson 21-Kay McArthur