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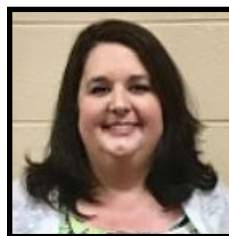
North Carolina
State Organization

Region X, Alpha Nu Chapter
Burke and Caldwell Counties

President's message:

Dear Alpha Nu Sisters,

It is a great honor and privilege to serve as your next chapter president this biennium. When I was first inducted into Alpha Nu, I remember feeling great awe and inspiration as I became a member of such an extraordinary group and legacy of women educators in Burke and Caldwell counties and indeed the world. At the time, I was a teacher at Burke Middle College and had spent 14 years as a high school English and social studies teacher. I had just completed my doctoral degree in curriculum and instruction from Gardner-Webb University which then led me to an opportunity to transition to an administrative role as an assistant principal at Freedom High School. I currently serve as the principal of Liberty Middle School and most recently was selected into the Education Policy and Fellowship program where I will get an opportunity to work with legislatures at the state and national level. These opportunities have shaped me as an educator and, as I was considering this new role as President of Alpha Nu, I instantly realized it was because of the influence of teachers that led me to these moments.



As I was considering my own personal thoughts and goals for this biennium, one specific thought remained at the forefront: in what ways can we continue to support our sisters and women educators locally and globally. I then kept going back to how I felt the night of my induction and realized that a great many of you had already contributed a great deal to my education and had mentored me as an educator. I knew then that I wanted to give back to all of you in some capacity and help other women educators in Burke and Caldwell become exposed to the same support I had received for many years from so many Alpha Nu members who then became my sisters. For this biennium, I would like to consider a theme that is in fact two-parts: membership growth and building leadership capacity amongst our current members. As I thought about our roses and marigolds, I began to think of this as "Cultivating our Garden." I am excited to begin this journey with you all and find ways to continue to enrich the lives of our current members and also those who join. I know this organization has a rich history of supporting women educators and I am thrilled to help continue that legacy.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve in this role and I am excited for this biennium and all that we will do and achieve together!

With much respect and admiration,

Dr. [Anna Moose](#), president

Alpha Nu chapter of NC DKG

Alpha Nu Meeting

Saturday, Sept. 17

10 a.m. at

Liberty Middle
School

529 Enola Road
Morganton, NC
28655

Please inform the reservationists whether or not you will be attending by **Tuesday, September 14.**

Members with last names A—J, email [Dr. Anna Moose](#); members with last names K-W email [Glenda Foster](#)

You will find more meeting details on page 2.

Inside this newsletter you will find info relating to:

- Girl Scout Troop support
- NC DKG Fundraisers
- Message from state president
- DKG Fine Arts Gallery
- R.O.S.E. Awards
- Meeting schedule
- Grants due Sept. 30

And more!



Supporting our Girl Scout Troop!

Alpha Nu Chapter will be partnering with the special needs Girl Scout Troop #10742 as its community project this year. This troop is holding a yard sale on Saturday, September 24.

The troop is asking for our help in providing items for the sale. Household items, kitchen items, furniture, toys, etc. are needed.

Bring any items you can donate to our meeting on Saturday, September 17. Dr. Anna Moose has arranged for items we bring to be stored at her school.

A bake sale may also be taking place at the same time. More information will be shared at our meeting.



It's a great time to do some fall cleaning and give your unused items to a worthy cause.

Chapter Meeting Details:



Our next meeting will be held September 17 at 10 a.m. at Liberty Middle School, 529 Enola Rd., Morganton.

The meeting will be hosted by the executive board; the program will be presented by Professional/Leadership Development Committee. Coffee, juice and lots of goodies will be served beginning at 9:30 a.m. Come early and enjoy a time of fellowship with one another.

Following a short business meeting, the program will offer members the opportunity to work on grant proposals and to meet with committee members to review plans for the new biennium.

The Surprise Box will be ready for you to purchase tickets and perhaps win its contents.

Please bring items for the Girl Scout Troop's yard sale. See article on this page for more information!

Website Compliance 2022-2024



DKG chapter websites must meet specific criteria/standards in order to be listed and linked from the international website. A compliance assurance form must be submitted in October every two years. The form for Alpha Nu chapter was completed and submitted to international on September 1.

Our submission was reviewed and approved. The new compliance seal is now posted on our website.

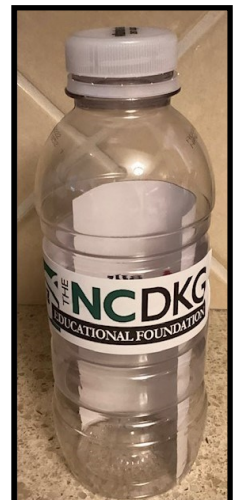


NC DKG Educational Foundation Fundraiser

Sherry Willis has received a "Message in a Bottle" in which to collect change for the NC DKG Educational Foundation. Once the bottle has been filled, the money will be emptied and counted. A check for the amount will be sent to treasurer Betty Marshall.

The empty bottle will then be passed on to another member to begin the process of filling the bottle again.

Look for the bottle at our meeting and add some coins.



**2021-2023 NC DKG
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Webmaster:**

[Dr. Sherry R. Willis](#)



From our state president Beth Winstead

DKG Purpose V: To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators

This summer I was privileged to attend DKG Ignite 2022: Leaders Empowering Leaders. In talking about recruiting and keeping members in any organization, one speaker said you must remember WIIFT— What’s In It For Them?

If we consider what’s in it for each member, Purpose V is a great recruitment and retention tool to use to share some benefits of membership. Delta Kappa Gamma offers scholarships and grants on the state and international level.

Our own North Carolina Educational Foundation has several opportunities for members and nonmembers. Many chapters also offer opportunities for grants and funding.

Make sure all of your members and prospective members recognize this valuable benefit from DKG.



(From NC DKG News, August 2022)

DKG Fine Arts Gallery—August 15-September 15

It’s time to showcase *your* talents! **Just a few more days remain until entries can be submitted.**

Categories include writing, music, and video in addition to the visual arts. Application forms may be found at www.dkg.org.

**NC DKG Educational Foundation Golf Tournament
October 8 at Colonial Country Club in Thomasville. More details will be shared at our September meeting.**



Member News:

Debbie Christian was recently hospitalized and is awaiting surgery. Keep her in your prayers.

Kim Baker's husband Greg has also been recently hospitalized. Prayers are lifted for his improved health issues.

Brownie Rochefort recently had a fall and broke her leg. She is confined to a wheelchair for several weeks. Keep her in your prayers.

Condolences to:

The family of **Martha Harvey** who passed away on May 5.

Debbie Christian whose aunt, Lena Fortune, passed away on June 3.

Shannon Green whose father-in-law, Ernest Odell, passed away on April 30.

Cassandra Feamster whose uncle, Dale Lee Feamster, recently passed away.

Congratulations to:

Kim Rudisill and **Donna Wells** who recently retired from Burke County Schools.

Penni Robinson who recently retired from Caldwell County Schools and took a position with Oak Hill Charter School in Caldwell County as curriculum coordinator.

Rev. Charlotte Brendel who is now serving as associate pastor at Saint Luke United Methodist Church in Sanford, NC. Charlotte is continuing her membership with Alpha Nu chapter.

Kim Baker who received the Appreciation Award for her extensive work (29 years!) with the Girl Scouts. The award is given to a registered Girl Scout adult who has delivered outstanding service to at least one geographic area or program delivery audience.



Mark your calendars for our meetings!



Chapter:

Saturday, September 17, 2022—

Site: Liberty Middle School, Morganton @ 10 a.m.

Sunday, November 6, 2022—

Caldwell County @ 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 28th, 2023 —

10 a.m. in Burke County

Friday, May 5, 2023—6 p.m. in Caldwell County—Celebration of Alpha Nu's 65th Anniversary

State:

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

International:

July 11-16, 2023— DKG International Conference Detroit, Michigan

Alpha Nu Projects:

Keep Those Collections Going!



As part of our on-going partnership with our Girl Scout troop,



please collect any pull-tabs to donate to their troop projects.

Box Tops for Education for Gamewell Elementary School.

Welcomed Changes in the Air!

NC DKG is implementing the R.O.S.E. (Recognition Of Society Excellence) Awards this year to replace the Chapter Achievement award. The criteria for these new awards continue to serve as a guide to the expected practices of chapters. However, the competitive aspect of the former guide has been eliminated. Chapters have a wider choice of activities in which they wish to be involved.

The R.O.S.E. Awards guidelines are now available on the NC DKG Website. Click here to check out the new document [CAA Working 6/18/2022 \(ncdkg.org\)](https://ncdkg.org/6/18/2022).

This new process will be discussed in greater detail at our meeting.

Important Links:

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Alpha Nu Chapter website: <http://www.alphanunc.weebly.com>



NC DKG website:

<http://www.ncdkg.org>



NC DKG News- Color flipbook:

[Fall 2022 NC DKG News Vol. 82-1 Color by Carol Bostian - Flipsnack](#)



DKG News website: www.dkg.org You must have your member number to sign in to the site.



The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin
International Journal for Professional Educators

DKG website: www.dkg.org



The Bulletin: www.dkg.org

Collegial Exchange

www.dkg.org



NC DKG Educational Foundation website:

www.ncdkgef.org/

Grant Proposals Are Due Soon! All proposals for the fall cycle of grants are due September 30. Check the website for updated information on how to submit the grants.

Building Leadership Capacity

In keeping with president Dr. Moose's biennium theme to build leadership capacity among our members, a resource is being prepared/updated to help committee chairs and members know the responsibilities of their committee. Many times members hesitate to take on a leadership role because they do not know what to do. Hopefully, this resource will take the mystery out of taking on a leadership role.



A month-by-month task list has been created and will identify what the committee should be doing each month. The tasks align with the expectations on the new ROSE Awards criteria/guide for chapters. Some months are very light in what needs to be done; other months are busier depending on the time of year.

You will have an opportunity to review the task list with the chair of your committee and the other committee members at the September meeting. It will serve as a planning guide for your work during the next biennium.



Have you signed up? Your purchases on Amazon can provide support to the NC DKG Educational Foundation. Go to smile.Amazon.com and sign up to support North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation. Each purchase generates a donation to the Foundation.

Once Upon a Time....

May 6, 2022

