



Alpha Theta Keynotes

Surry County/Mount Airy Chapter, North Carolina DKG, Region IX

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

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

"Linking the Past, Present and Future"



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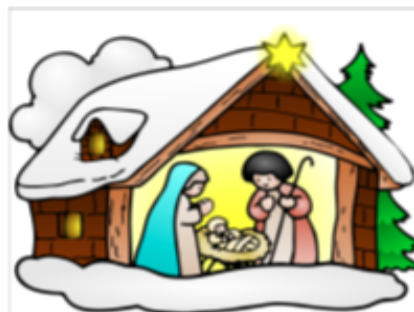


President's Message:

Greetings Sisters,

I hope this newsletter finds you healthy and ready for the holidays as they are quickly approaching. Although joyous, the holidays can bring a little stress. We want to make sure the decorations are just so, the meals are Martha Stewart worthy, and that we provide an atmosphere of celebration. Over the next few weeks, don't forget about YOU! There may be foods that stick, a bulb burns out, and something breaks. Just breathe, smile, and remind yourself it will be ok. Be reminded of the rough voyage of the Pilgrims had to make to Plymouth, yet they enjoyed a wonderful celebration of the harvest that has become the Thanksgiving we look forward to. Be reminded of the long journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem Mary and Joseph had, yet the Saviour was born which is the true reason for the season. Be reminded that YOU inspire, motivate, and encourage so many daily! I am thankful for each of you and consider knowing you as a precious gift. I look forward to seeing you on December 3. Please remember to email or text me only if you CAN NOT attend.

Dana



Meeting Information:

Saturday, December 3

- 9am First Baptist Church Dobson
- Money collection for Grant in Aid Scholarship
- LAST DAY TO DONATE
- Breakfast \$10
- Thank you to Lorene's Bakery for catering.
- If **NOT** attending, email/text Dana Thomas **BEFORE Friday, November 21st.**

Looking ahead:

Saturday, February 3

- 9am Armfield Civic Center Pilot Mountain (Joint meeting with Delta Psi, Stokes County Chapter)
- Money collection for World Fellowship

Friday, March 31

- Mt. Airy City Schools Administrative Offices
- 6:00pm

Reminders for Acts of Kindness:

December- Bring an unwrapped toy to be donated to the Salvation Army.

February- Bring canned soups for Yokefellow Ministry.

April- Shepherd's House



Alpha Theta Officers 2022-2024:

- President: Dana Thomas- 336-972-6692 (cell)
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- 1st Vice President: Dana Johnson
- 2nd Vice President: Nicole Hooker
- Recording Secretary: Julie Taylor
- Corresponding Secretary: Tanya Hall
- Treasurer and Parliamentarian: Becky Keesler
- Webmaster: Beth Martin
- Newsletter: Kelly Johnson

Alpha Theta Minutes

September 2022

First Baptist Church, Mount Airy

President Dana called the meeting to order. Dana Johnson provided the inspiration and blessing. A delicious breakfast was provided by Mary Planer. Following the meal, Becky Keesler discussed and presented the budget. We enjoyed the installation of Janet Sutphin. Reports and updates for the committees was shared. Dana Johnson presented the project Adopt a BT. Names were chosen from members. Becky Keesler gave a rules update, President Dana shared information from the September Fall Conference. Becky provided a "cheat sheet" to assist updating information on the international website. After reminders for the December meeting, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Tanya Hall for Julie Taylor

NC DKG Scholarships and DKG Scholarships Due February 1

There will be two Doctoral scholarships and one Post-Baccalaureate scholarships available this year through NC DKG. Scholarship applications are due by February 1, 2023.

The NC DKG scholarship forms are linked on the state website, along with an applicant checklist.

NC DKG members may apply for both an NC DKG and an international scholarship within a given year. The membership requirement for the international applicants is three years and for NC DKG applicants is for two years following induction. The international forms are available under the Apply/Submit tab of the DKG member website.

Educational Excellence

By Hilda Parler, EEC

Staying abreast of K-12 legislative and other updates that affect all K-12 schools in NC is essential and relates to several of our DKG purposes. To read and subscribe to the NC Department of Public Instruction newsletters, go to the DPI website, click on the News tab, then go on K-12 Education Legislation and Reports.



In prayer for...

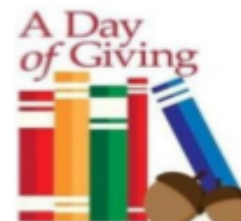
Debbie Merritt's son was involved in a car crash on September 30. He sustained serious injuries. He is currently in ICU at Baptist in critical condition on life support. We send our thoughts and prayers of strength and healing to Debbie and her family. Tanya sent a card from Alpha Theta. I know she was touched and appreciative.

Debbie Merritt
108 Brae Creek Court
King 27021



A Day of Giving

The NC DKG Educational Foundation Annual Day of Giving will be November 29. Every member is encouraged to donate \$5 on this day to celebrate the work of the Foundation and its impact on chapters and members in NC. Go to the website and click on the Donation Page tab.



Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report: Alpha Theta Account Summary		
August 4, 2022-November 8, 2022		
Beginning Balance		\$6,723.56
Income		
Dues		280.00
Meals		320.00
Silent Auction		
Alpha Theta Grant		265.00
Membership Pin		14.25
Interest		.84
	Total Income	880.09
	Balance	\$7,603.65
Disbursements		
Dues/ <u>State</u> - International		224.00
DKG Headquarters Fund		
Schools for Africa - UNICEF		
World Fellowship		
Alpha Theta Grant		500.00
Membership- Roses		
Beginning Teachers Support		
Rose/ Memorials		
Chapter Expenses – Nametags Bank and conference fees		93.73
Meals/Meeting Space		390.00
	Total Disbursement	1,207.73
Balance		\$6,395.92
AT Grant-In- Aid/ Scholarship		2,318.46
Donations		+265.00
Disbursements		-500.00
	Balance	2,083.46
Chapter Operating Fund Balance total funds Minus Grant-In- Aid		\$4,312.46



Welcome to our new sister, Janet Sutphin! Janet was inducted at our September meeting.

108 Books were collected in September and taken to the Surry County Health Department Dental and Pediatric to be distributed in their waiting room area.



December, January, & February Birthdays:

<u>December</u>	<u>February</u>
-Olga Joyce: Dec. 1	-Tracie Whitaker: Feb. 3
-Camilla Cook: Dec. 4	-Patti Martin: Feb. 9
-Marion Goldwasser: Dec. 10	-Kathryn Mitchell: Feb. 17
-Marie Hauser: Dec. 12	-Dana Thomas: Feb. 25
-Alison York: Dec. 30	
<u>January</u>	
-Anna Calloway: Jan. 1	
-Patsy Atkins: Jan. 3	
-Eve Trotter: Jan. 9	
-Tracey Lewis: Jan. 14	
-Shari Thomas: Jan. 17	
-Linda Crawford: Jan. 26	



Committees:

- *Finance -Executive Board
- *Scholarship - Laura Horton and Sue Jarvis
- *Membership - Nicole Hooker, Kelly Johnson, Elanie Reales, Marie Niland
- *Education Excellence - Dana Johnson, Mamie Sutphin, Nora Santillan, Alicia Fallaw
- *Communications - Kelly Johnson and Beth Martin
- *World Fellowship - Shari Thomas