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Alpha Upsilon Update

<https://alphaupsilonnc.weebly.com/>

Greetings Alpha Upsilon Sisters!

Thank you to everyone who attended our February chapter meeting. This meeting demonstrated a great example of how to "Recruit, Retain, and Recognize" chapter members. Many thanks go to Patricia Edwards and her hostess committee for the delicious breakfast treats. Much appreciation is also extended to Mary Carol Forkner for her hospitality. Dr. Phyllis Broughton, NC DKG Leadership Chairman, presented an inspiring program on "Generational Differences". We enjoyed hearing about the strengths of the different age groups within our Alpha Upsilon Chapter. It certainly helped us to conclude that all age members are valuable to our chapter and are needed.

It is still not too late to join in the NC DKG Leadership Book Study on the book, "Dare to Lead" by Brene Brown. The next session will be a zoom meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm. The book can be purchased at Barnes & Noble. The link to the book study will be provided in this newsletter. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow our leadership skills. I would like to personally encourage all chapter members to make a special effort to attend the NC DKG Convention the last weekend in April. Get involved in the convention by attending business meetings, workshops, awards ceremonies, and special events. Come and discover for yourself the treasures to be found within your Delta Kappa Gamma Society International State Organization.

Region VII Presidents were notified recently that their Beginning Teacher Event workshop application was accepted. Presidents from our Region VII will be presenting a workshop at the convention on Saturday, April 27, 2024. This is the same project that our chapter helped support by providing a door prize basket, event refreshments, and helped rent the facility to house the event. The workshop topics will include: 1) First Days of School 2) Nutrition, 3) Social Emotional Learning, and 4) Tech Tips. Please plan to attend this workshop to support our Region VII Presidents.

A full document of the proposed amendments to the Constitution and the International Standing Rules will be available to all members in the March issue of the DKG news. Please look at these proposals. Not only do we need to be involved in our Society, members also need to be informed.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your chapter president. I am very proud of the dedication and participation that Alpha Upsilon Chapter has shown within the DKG Society. Thank you for your support in helping Alpha Upsilon Chapter to finish strong!

With, DKG love,

Mary Pickett

President Alpha Upsilon Chapter

NC DKG Region VII Director

2022-2024



[To contact Mary Pickett, click here.](#)

When you are unable to attend, please email [Renee Green](#) to let her know you are going to be absent! We need 14 people to have a quorum when voting on items.

State and International News

Convention Dates

NC DKG Convention:
Durham, NC - April 26-28, 2024

International Conventions:
Aurora, Colorado - June 30 - July 4, 2024
Harbor, Maryland - July 9-13, 2024



What is Love?

Each February 14, most of us think of Valentine's Day and the many ways we demonstrate love. Red roses are usually sent with cards that express romantic love. St. Valentine's Day dates back to centuries ago and is associated with the "lovebirds" in the spring. Have you counted the ways you demonstrate love for NC DKG? You probably have so many you lost count. Let's count 14 ways.

Staying on top of your role
Teaching students while you do the work of the Society
Very involved with the work of the Society and completing various tasks
Active membership
Loving being a member
Enjoying the fellowship amongst members
Never stopping to be a team player
Taking time to balance work of the Society with daily life
Interested in keeping NC DKG Forever Strong
New and former members joining or rejoining your chapter
Ending each day knowing that you have love for family, friends, and members but knowing the greatest of these is **Loving Yourself**.

Duties and responsibilities are completed in a timely manner
Accesses resources to help your chapter
Yearly chapter events for celebrating the work of chapter members

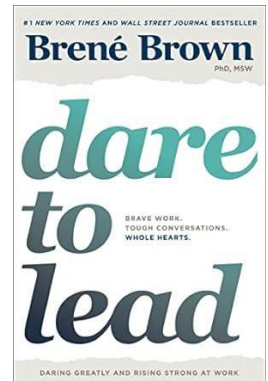
President Hilda

Join us for an enlightening Zoom book review led by Dr. Mary Earp, member of Beta Upsilon and assistant professor of education at Chowan University the **Second Session will be Tuesday, March 12, 2024, from 7-8 p.m.**

Delve into Brené Brown's insightful exploration of daring greatly, rising strong, and navigating the complexities of leadership.

The engaging sessions will highlight the essence of responsible and courageous leadership for both current and aspiring leaders. Dr. Earp will guide us through Brown's perspectives, shedding light on the qualities that define impactful leadership.

To participate, [complete this form](#). If you have questions, please contact [Phyllis Broughton](#), chair of the NC DKG Leadership Development Committee. Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable insights and connect with other leaders.



What's Happening with our Alpha Upsilon Chapter?

February Meeting



Mary Pickett (15 years),
Patsyanna Barker (25 years
and Linda Beddingfield
(25 years) were presented
new membership pins by
our membership chair,
Beverly Whitson.



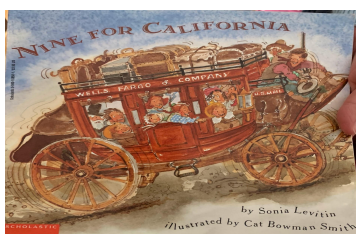
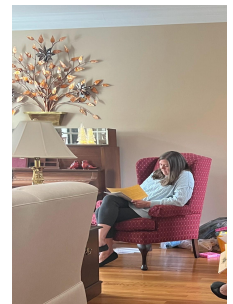
Thank you to Dr. Phyllis
Broughton, NC DKG
Leadership Chairman, for
the presentation on
generational differences.



Thank you for Mary Carol
Forkner for hosting us at her
beautiful home.

2023 – 2024 Alpha Upsilon Projects

****Grants-in-Aid****
Schools for Africa
Beginning Teacher Support
Beginning Teacher Tea
BackPack Pals
Mentoring other chapters/members



It's Time to Celebrate!

January

12th - Linda Beddingfield
16th - Robin Adams
20th - Angela Kern

February

7th - Nancy Welborn
23rd - Barbara Childers

March

27th - Sue McCullah

April

2nd - Rhonda Dillingham
25th - Delarius Harris
30th - Helen Shore

May

30th - Patricia Edwards
31st - Leah Sugg

June

6th - Sara Warren
11th - Patti Tucker
12th - Lisa Garrison
13th - Devin Wilson
24th - Andrea Foxworth

July

6th - Frances Jones
11th - Mary Beth White
18th - Reneé Green
23rd - Lori Johnson
24th - Susan Tolbert

August

7th - Paige Motley
31st - Alison Hargett

September

2nd - Beverly Whitson

October

1st - Barbara Strider
5th - Mary Pickett
27th - Leigh Harris

November

6th - Mary Carol Forkner
14th - Vanessa Brooks
21st - Lorraine Sherrill

December

2nd - Patsyanna Barker
11th - Julie Bates
17th - Amanda Julian
21st - Donna Purkerson
23rd - DeAnna Hurley-Chamberlain
25th - Nancy Hulin

Committee Updates

Leadership & Development Committee

Check out the NCDKG Leadership & Development website for recommendations of leadership articles, books and resources.

Social Committee

Saturday, March 2nd @ 10:00am we will be meeting at DKG headquarters for our "Salad Share." Bring a salad to share as we work on completing teacher appreciation cards for our BTs.

Educational Law and Policy

Check out the [NCDKG News Winter 2023](#) for an update on Educational Law and Policy article by our fellow Alpha Upsilon member Rhonda Dillingham.

Scholarship

2024 Scholarship Application is available to applicants and have been made available to local schools. This is a scholarship awarded to women pursuing education as a future career or teachers pursuing an advanced degree.

Applications are due by April 1st.



Grant-in-Aid Fund



As always, we welcome contributions to the Donna Lee Loflin Fund of DKG. These contributions help us to grow the grant-in-aid fund, so we can continue to offering assistance to women pursuing a degree in education. The two girls we are supporting this year, along with their information are:

Chloee Green

Birthday: May 17

email: greenckl@appstate.edu

289 Ambling Way Unit 1133N

Boone, NC 28607

Megan Davis

Birthday: April 15

email: mdavis791@my.pfeiffer.edu

7047 High Pine Church Road

Asheboro, NC 27205

Educational Foundation

Educators Smile is a fundraiser opportunity for all members to participate in. Members can nominate an educator with a \$10 donation to the NC DKG Educational Foundation. Your donations will help to support the Foundation's Grants Program.

Forms and details can be found at

www.ncdkgef.org

Under fundraisers

Committee Updates continued...

Finance

The budget report was reviewed at our February meeting. There were no Follow up questions.



Yearbook

The yearbook for 2023-2024 was distributed to each member at our September meeting. If you have not received yours yet, please see Mary Beth.

Membership Committee

At our February meeting, the membership committee presented pins for years of service. We also voted on our new officers.

Communications Committee

Please send any joys/concerns and committee news to [Lisa Garrison](#) or [Sara Warren](#) in August for our next newsletter.

Buzzing Bee Award

Lori Johnson, principal at Grays Chapel Elementary School, presents a Buzzing Bee Certificate to Taylor Ferrer-Diaz, a BT1 first-grade teacher at her school.



Abigail Foster was presented a Buzzing Bee Certificate a BT1 first-grade teacher at Trindale Elementary.

Beginning Teacher Committee

The spring project for our Beginning Teachers will be a Easter surprise with some spring Peeps!

A special thanks to our Beginning Teacher Committee for supporting our 70 Beginning Teachers of Randolph County School Teachers. We look forward to seeing the wonderful projects for the next year.



Alpha Upsilon Meeting Dates



Date: Saturday, March 2nd, 2024

Place: DKG Headquarters

Time: 10:00am

Event: Salad Share and write Beginning Teachers Appreciation Cards

Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Hostess: Delta Nu - RSVP to Leah Sugg

Place: Asheboro City Schools Professional Development Center

Time: 6:00pm

Program: Installation of new officers and a meal together

Invitation from Delta Nu will be coming soon!



*Don't forget to
wear your pin!*

♥ Member News/Other Updates ♥

- Nancy Welborn turns 97 on February 7. Her niece would like for us to flood Nancy with an abundance of cards. She no longer has a phone in her room, but she can be reached at Brookdale of Asheboro, NC. Speak to a member of the Care Bridge staff to get Nancy to the phone. She still enjoys seeing friends and getting small Coke's and Dr. Pepper in the small cans. Her address is:

Nancy Welborn

514 Vision Drive

Room 410

Asheboro, NC 27203

- Sending our best wishes to Linda Beddingfield as she recovers from her recent injuries. We were so glad to see her at our February meeting.

When's Our Next Meeting?

Saturday, March 2nd, 2024

10:00am

DKG Headquarters

- Bring a Salad to Share
- Write teacher appreciation cards for our Beginning Teachers

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This month's influential woman:

Mae Jemison

"Never be limited by other people's imaginations; never limit others because of your own limited imagination."



Mae Jemison isn't just the first African American woman who orbited into space aboard the shuttle Endeavour. She's also a physician, teacher, and Peace Corps volunteer; after her work with NASA, she founded the Jemison Group, which develops scientific and technological advancements. Jemison continues to work toward helping young women of color get more involved in technology, engineering, and math careers.

Alpha Upsilon Information:

- President- Lynn Smith
- 1st Vice President- Mary Pickett
- 2nd Vice President - Leah Sugg
- Recording Secretary- Amanda Julian
- Corresponding Secretary- Renee Green
- Treasurer- Helen Shore
- Parliamentarian: Patricia Edwards
- Region VII Director - Mary Pickett
- Editors- Sara Warren & Lisa Garrison

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DKG Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/dkgorg>

DKG Pinterest:

<https://www.pinterest.com/DKGSi/>



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

Notes from your newsletter editors:

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