

## *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.*

Vision Statement: *Leading Women Educators, Impacting Education Worldwide*

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# Alpha Lambda Newsletter



## From the President

I hope everyone had an exciting summer.

My grandson, Nicholas, spent about ten weeks with me at Gran camp this summer. We visited the Ark Encounter in Kentucky and took a Thoroughbred Heritage Horse Farm tour.

Our teachers and students are back to work and September is upon us.

Our first meeting is September 23rd at Johnson Farm, 9 am. Dedra Davis, our Region XI Director, will be visiting. Brunch is scheduled from 9:00 to 9:30 with the meeting following.

Your Alpha Lambda officers have been busy revising committees and hostess groups for the year. You may hear from a chair to help with chapter business that will soon start

I look forward to seeing all of you on September 23.

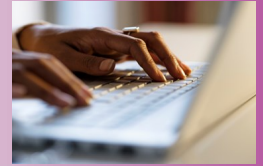
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**First Meeting: September 23 at 9:00 AM, Johnson Farm**

**Hostess Group: Becky Kirtley**



# COMMITTEE REPORTS



**Membership:** Please be thinking about those you could invite to be new members to our chapter. Information pamphlets will be available for you at our September meeting.

**Scholarship:** Please check out the opportunities for pursuing advanced degrees and profession/personal growth. All applications are online and need to be submitted by email. Some applications are due in September! For state grants, go to [ncdkgef.org](http://ncdkgef.org) and click on Grants. For international grants or scholarships, go to [dkg.org](http://dkg.org) and click on Member Sign In.

**Beginning Teacher Support:** Please consider donating an item at our September meeting that can be used for a **door prize** at a Beginning Teacher Support Meeting. We are once again partnering with Henderson County Public Schools to welcome and show support for novice teachers. A list of suggestions is below, or feel free to think of other items that would brighten the day of a new teacher.

- Gift card for classroom supplies or to brighten the day (Amazon, Target, Walmart, Starbucks, Dunkin, Ingles, Barnes & Noble, etc)
- Flair pens or Sharpies
- Classroom organizers/bins

**Chapter Achievement:** Marilyn has not received the form for the Rose award; however; news is forthcoming. In the meantime, she reminds us to continue attending meetings, bringing prospective members to meetings, getting reports in, and being part of the JLT group-- Just Love To when asked to help with AL activities or events.



## Alpha Lambda Chapter Treasurer's Report August 31, 2023



### Checking Account

Balance Brought Forward in Available Checking as of July ..... **\$10,856.75**

Income

No transactions

Expenditures

No transactions

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**Candy Priest \$ 217.62**

No transactions

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**Cecil Kessler Recruitment \$ 4,130.61**

No transactions

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**Hilda Olson Literacy Fund \$ 1,335.96**

No transactions

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## May 20, 2023 Luncheon Meeting

Our meeting in May welcomed three members: Debbie Combs, Samantha Jones, and Amber Buehler (not pictured.) We were delighted to hear from our Kessler Recruitment Grant Recipient, Haley Dunnigan, as our guest speaker.



### NEWS FROM HALEY DUNNIGAN, KESSLER GRANT RECIPIENT

I am not sure if you heard, but there was a shooting at UNC. I was locked in my classroom for over three hours—the most agonizing three hours of my life, as you can imagine. The university canceled classes for two days. The community's response has been overwhelmingly amazing.

Not much has gone on thus far considering this week is only our second week of school, but I did volunteer last week on behalf of the School of Education at UNC's Fall Fest. This is an annual university event that allows different departments and clubs to have tables and inform this year's freshmen and the general student body about themselves. I spoke to many freshmen that day and was actually able to recruit some to apply to the two majors under the School of Education. The photo is of my colleague and friend Alexander and me during this event. Alexander is the Chair of our School of Education's Undergraduate Advisory Council, and we will work closely this year, as I am the Vice Chair of this organization. We have been prepping for a great first semester all summer via many Zoom meetings. I am excited about what is to come.



As far as this summer, I worked almost every day at Mills River Brewery. I did some traveling to California for a wedding and to Charleston for a Chris Stapleton concert for my 20th birthday.



**Elizabeth Rogers will turn 106 on September 22 and is the only living charter member of Alpha Lambda. She LOVES getting birthday cards. Happy Birthday, Elizabeth!**



**Alpha Lambda earned the Order of the Rose Award for 2022-2023!**

**Alpha Lambda earned the Newsletter Excellence Award for 2022-2023!**



## NC DKG NEWS



From Hilda Parlér, NC DKG President, 2023-2025

My vision for NC DKG is centered on three key principles: the 3 R's—Recruit new members, Retain active members, and Recognize all members. These principles are based on the foundation of NC DKG Forever Strong as a thriving organization. I am committed to making them a reality.

.....But I can't do it alone—I need your help, trust, and support.

### Convention Dates

April 26-28, 2024 — NC DKG Convention, Research Triangle Park, Durham

July 9-13, 2024 — International Convention, National Harbor, Maryland

June 30-July 4, 2026 — International Convention, Aurora, Colorado

International Website: <https://www.dkg.org>

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