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## Alpha Lambda Newsletter



### A Letter from our President:

Dear Sisters,

I am a very visual person, so I have included in this newsletter what has happened these past two years. All of YOU have been busy, even during the midst of COVID. Chapter Alpha Lambda is alive and well and growing. Thank YOU for all the JLTs (Just Love To...) to make Alpha Lambda the best.

Thank you for the honor of being your president.

Jill Jackson



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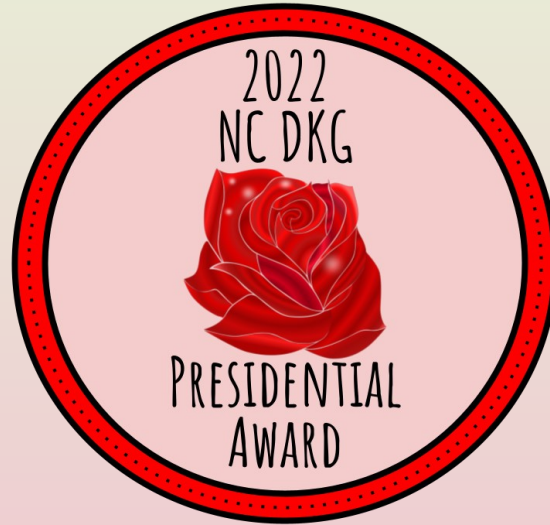
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### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Saturday, May 14.**  
**10:00 AM**  
 Hendersonville Country Club  
 Business, Installation of Officers, NC DKG President, Recognitions, Lunch



# NC State Convention News



Alpha Lambda was awarded the Presidential Award! This is a great honor for our chapter! We also received SUPERIOR for the Chapter Achievement Award! There is MUCH to celebrate!

# A Glance at the Past Two Years

## Meetings:

August 26: Sisters Summer Gathering at Bay Breeze  
September 19: School Board Candidates Q&A Outside - Johnson Farm  
November 21: Annual Auction Outside - Jackson Park  
January 12: Henderson County History Initiative COVID canceled  
March 30: Region XI Director, Julia Keyes—WHS Media Center  
May 15: Recognitions, Speaker Dr. Bryant , Lunch—Hendersonville Country Club  
September 25: “Getting to Know You....Again” - Johnson Farm  
November 20: Annual Auction—Johnson Farm  
January 11: Henderson County History Initiative—Johnson Farm  
February 26: Region XI Brunch/Book Virtual meeting, led by Julia Keyes, Region XI Director  
March 26: Ceremony of Remembrance—Etowah Baptist Church  
May 14: Installation of Officers, Recognitions and Lunch - Speaker Beth Winstead, NC DKG President—Hendersonville Country Club

## Member Information:

New Member: Dr. Jan King  
Reinstated: Jodi Davidson, Linda Underwood  
Deceased: Anne Smith  
Resigned: Kim Smith, Becky Hanson  
Reserve: Sara Lee Nickell

## Grants and Awards:

*Kessler Recruitment Grant Recipient:* Haley Dunnigan

*Candy Priest Grant Recipients:*

**2021:** Wanda Love, Mary Small, Julia Keyes & Chris Smith

**2022:** Jill Jackson, Anne Boyette, Alison Thompson & Brooke Romesburg

## Award Nominations:

*2021 Rising Star:* Anne Boyette  
*2021 Founders Award:* Dr. Jan King  
*2021 Golden Key:* Marilyn Yoder  
*2022 Golden Key:* Sharman Norman  
*2022 Beginning Teacher:* Haley Roberts

## Awards:

*2021 Golden Key:* Marilyn Yoder

**Region XI Director:** Julia Keyes

## NC DKG Committee Members:

Linda Soble, Marilyn Yoder & Lynne Leatherwood



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## Alpha Lambda Committee Reports

**Beginning Teacher:** This committee is a very active, hands-on committee. It has been interesting to see how it would all work with an ever-changing environment, but we did the best we could. This committee truly worked as a team to support beginning teachers in our county. We had one final opportunity to support our beginning teachers; we provided snacks for their final meetings!

**Education Law and Policy:** Alpha Lambda members contacted a variety of elected officials. Two elected officials spoke in our meetings. Thank you, Alpha Lambda members!

**Finance:** At the Ceremony of Remembrance, the Ingles fundraiser brought in \$350, making a total of \$1,577.50 for the year. We will be taking an order at the May luncheon. Bring a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Make your checks out to Alpha Lambda. If you are not attending, you may mail your check to Sharman Norman and email Diane Dotson and Sharman indicating how many cards and what denominations you want. Thank you to all for supporting this worthy and easy fundraiser! The End of Year report and committee requests will be used during the planning meeting this summer for the next budget year.

**Chapter Achievement:** Alpha Lambda has many “Just Love To” members who supported our chapter in reaching the superior level for more than 10 years! Your positive assistance has been an encouragement to all. Thank you!

**Rules Committee:** During the 2020-22 biennium, the Rules Committee was called upon to make some changes that put current practices into writing, clarified some wording, and aligned Alpha Lambda’s Vice Presidents’ duties with the state’s. The Rules Committee was notified of a few state rules updates in February, 2022; however, Alpha Lambda’s rules were already in compliance, so no updates were necessary.

**Scholarship Committee:** The committee wishes to thank members for their generous support this biennium. It is by buying Ingles cards, participating in the auction, giving to Kessler Koins in the purple bag at meetings and donating in honor or memory of a special person that we build the funds to be able to give scholarships and grants. Last year we selected a new recipient, Haley Dunnigan, for the Cecil Kessler Recruitment Grant. She has just completed her freshman year at UNC, Chapel Hill. Having enjoyed her first education class, she is looking forward to additional education classes in her sophomore year. We awarded eight Candy Priest Grants this biennium. Three of the grants helped support projects for preschoolers and middle school students. Five grants assisted active AL teacher purchase supplies for classroom activities.

### TECHNOLOGY TIDBIT

Video and computer games are common among the youth but did you know they can benefit seniors, too? Scientists from Poland found that all their subjects—whose age groups were between 65 and 75 years—were able to expand their attention, improve their memory, and increase their sequencing abilities after completing a series of video games.

Virtual recreational programs are another feature of technology which teaches you how to dance or do yoga or aerobics all of which are beneficial to your physical well-being.

-15 Tips to Become Computer Savvy at an Older Age. Go to [Aging.com](http://Aging.com)



Read [HERE](#) for NC DKG news. “Linking the Past, Present, and Future”



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

Check out the 6-day tour: The American South: New Orleans to Memphis [HERE](#)

Related Events:

DKG Ignite: Austin, TX  
June 26-July 2, 2022

Latin American Conference:  
Costa Rica October 21-23, 2021



## *A Note From Haley Dunnigan, AL Kessler Recipient*

Hello Alpha Lambda!

Certain schools at UNC require students to apply to their major program and the School of Education is one of them. So this year, I applied and was accepted. Now, I am *officially* a part of the School of Education at Chapel Hill! THAT is super exciting because I can now be more involved within the department itself! With that being said, I also recently applied to the Undergraduate Advisory Council for the School of Education and was accepted for this upcoming academic year! Through this club, I will be able to develop relationships with professors and student colleagues within the School and create social events as part of this team. Additionally, I am running to be a part of the executive board for a dance club that I am in.

I am about to complete my last final which is so surreal. This year went by insanely fast, but it taught me so many things, and I would not trade my experience nor education here for the world! Thank you SO MUCH! I look forward to seeing you at the luncheon on May 14!

### **From Beth Winstead, NC DKG President**

#### ***To advance the professional interest and position of women in education— DKG Purpose III.***

While, when we read this today, it might seem unimportant, remember this purpose was written in 1929-1930. Women as professionals were almost a “no-no”; once an educator married, they were expected to resign. Being pregnant was definitely a “be a good wife and mom at home” moment. DKG was there to encourage women to continue their education and move up in the educational world.

Still, many women need that push to move up, step out of their comfort zone, and continue their education or apply for a job at a higher level. DKG, NC DKG, and NC DKG Educational Foundation offer scholarships to help with those moments. Take advantage of those opportunities and encourage others.

### **FROM DKG NEWS, May/June Edition**

**Online auction set for fall 2022.** The DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF) is seeking donations for its online auction. Consider donating tickets to entertainment or sports events, vacation getaways, handmade products, or any items valued over \$100. Providing an item or participating in the sale allows you to support education worldwide. Email Phyllis Hickey at [phyllish@dkg.org](mailto:phyllish@dkg.org) with questions.

### **DKG PERKS**

Check out AmazonSmile, Good Shop, Go Ahead Tours, TruHearing discounts, insurance options and the latest recently added discount that can save you money on rental cars. Avis Car Rental now offers a 30% discount for DKG members. Go to [DKG.org](http://DKG.org) to learn more.