

# Gamma Chi Newsletter

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International North Carolina State Organization Region III, Warren County



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The Ever-Widening Circle of Delta Kappa Gamma!



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you read this, nine members of Gamma Chi are preparing to represent all of us at the state convention in Greenville. This chapter serves as a lighthouse beacon leading the state organization. There are at least 21 of us currently

in the chapter who have attended state conventions and several who have attended international conventions and conferences. Our member, Dr. Janis Meek, is a recipient of the coveted Founders Award. This chapter nominated and was honored to present the last Founders Award to Dr. Mandy Cohen. Nancy Tunstall has received the Star of the Southeast. We have Golden Key and Rising Star recipients. Many are doing things that you may never hear about. For example, among us is an editor and proofreader for several state publications. Three have served or serve as chairs of state level committees and many have served or are serving on state level committees. This year Diane Colin will take her students to perform for our state organization at the state convention. Sheila Robertson will present a workshop entitled Using Recycled and "Cheap" Stuff to Make Art. Several others have presented workshops in the past. Shirley White will make a grand appearance in this year's chorus performance at the state convention as she and others have done many times before. Pattie Rodwell will be awarded two grants from the NC DKG Educational Foundation to provide opportunities for her students that would not be possible without our DKG organization. That is just a part of what will be happening at the state level this year. Gamma Chi is truly a chapter filled with creativity and leadership.

In May, we will celebrate our **40**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary**! What a legacy this chapter has and continues to build. While many chapters are struggling, we are providing professional women (*President's Message - continued on Page 2*)



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## COME TO OUR RUBY ANNIVERSARY MEETING

WE ARE 40 YEARS OLD!

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 **St. Paul's Lutheran Church** 114 Poplar Mount Road, Norlina, NC 27563

Dinner will consist ham, potato salad, green beans, marinated carrots, green salad, and buttered dinner rolls. Catered by Cheryl Bell - Cost: \$15.00 (Make checks payable to Gamma Chi and write Meal in the memo line or please try to have the correct change.)

## Cut-Off Date: Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> (must pay for meal after that date regardless of attendance)

6:00 p.m. Social Hour 6:15 p.m. Presentation of Grants 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. Induction Ceremony

7:15 p.m. Business Meeting

Thanks to the *Membership and Scholarship Committees* for their hard work.

(Note: You do not have to purchase dinner to attend the meeting. That is your choice.)

<u>Please respond to your Evite as soon</u> as possible and no later than May 5<sup>th</sup>!

(St. Paul's Group will need to bring items for the raffle and help clean up after the meeting.)

## BRING TO THE MEETING:

- Money to buy \$1 raffle tickets
- Money for purchased tickets, ticket stubs and unsold tickets for the afghan raffle. Drawing will be held. You do not have to be present to win. You can still purchase tickets for \$3.00 each up to the time of the drawing.
- Dues: \$85.00 for active members, \$45.00 for reserve members
- Completed Gamma Chi Member Excellence Award form; at the end of the newsletter or click <u>here</u> for the form



## **CELEBRATE!**

Gamma Chi will be 40 years old on May 7. Now would be a good time for you to review Gamma Chi's history by clicking <u>here</u>.

In addition to our birthday, we will celebrate the induction of a new member, present grants, and share our chapter's triumphs at the state convention.

Please plan to be present to help our chapter celebrate its ruby anniversary!

#### (President's Message - continued from Page 1)

educators with scholarships and leadership roles at many levels. This does not happen without each of you. Your attendance at meetings, your support for the officers, and your support for the grants and scholarships are all outstanding accomplishments for this chapter in Warren County. This chapter stands heads above many chapters in larger, more affluent communities.

Know that you, Gamma Chi members, are setting a standard for all chapters. From the office of President, I want to recognize each of you for this wonderful support. You are appreciated! You are amazing! Thank you!

In sisterhood, Dybria Alston Dr. Sylvia Alston



#### TO:

- Pattie Rodwell on being a recipient of two NC DKG Education Foundation grants. See page 3 for details.
- Sheila Robertson on the birth of her granddaughter, Airlie Forrest Alston, to her daughter Emily. Airlie was born on March 16, 2023, weighing 6 lbs. 3 oz.



#### **BIRTHDAY PRESENTS**

Members with April, May or June birthdays who attend the meeting will be recognized and will receive a present. **Don't miss your birthday meeting!!!** 

#### **CONDOLENCES TO:**

**Diana Bobbitt** on the loss of her brother, Robert Dwight Bobbitt, and her niece, Amy Sue Osborne; **Diane Colin** on the loss of her aunt, Suzanne Bowser; and **Aimee Cooper** on the loss of her uncle, Clyde Anderson. Please



keep Diana, Diane, Aimee and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

by Shirley White, Treasurer



At the March meeting, \$67.00 was collected from the meeting raffle; this will be used to help our local libraries and the NC DKG Educational Foundation. Other monies received were \$96.00 for the afghan raffle; \$165.00 for Schools for Africa; and

\$100.00 for the convention project, Food Bank of the Albemarle.

Also, many thanks to members paying their dues. \$485.00 was collected for members' dues. If you have not paid your

dues yet, please remember to pay your dues by check or cash at the May meeting. You can mail a check to me if you are unable to attend the meeting. Please do not send cash through the mail. The entire amount of dues, \$85.00, will be due on May 16<sup>th</sup> at the fourth meeting. This is assuming that the dues will remain \$85.00. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, the amount should remain at \$85.00. Any questions can be directed to our treasurer, <u>Shirley White</u>. The April payment may be sent to Shirley at 1957 US Highway 1 N, Norlina, NC 27563. Your cooperation and timely payment of dues will make my job so much easier! Also, if you are a reserve member, the dues should remain at \$45.00.

#### WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER



Sara Council attended our March meeting as Dr. Sylvia Alston's guest. She has been presented for membership and approved by our chapter. She is the Student Services Director for Roanoke Rapids School District

We have much to look forward to as we welcome Sara to our chapter and join with her

in genuine spiritual fellowship!

**COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING COMMITTEE'S REPORT** 

by Nancy Tunstall, Communications & Marketing Committee Chair



The March/April issue of DKG News is online. The most recent DKG News highlights the three upcoming international conferences slated for this summer in Detroit; Phoenix; and Tampere, Finland.

Other articles of interest in the March/April issue include President Debbie LeBlanc's column, in which she encourages members to pick up the phone and talk to other members; Executive Director Nita Scott's column, which updates members on "detours" the Society has faced this winter; an overview of the new website; and helpful hints for chapter dues collection.

You can open it as a flipbook or download it as a pdf file by clicking <u>here</u>. *Remember you must sign in to view the DKG News.* Members will no longer receive this publication by mail. It is released every other month.

Please check out the Gamma Chi website by clicking <u>http://deltakappagamma.org/NC-gammachi/</u>. Check out the homepage and look under the calendar to see who is having a birthday. Also, important DKG events are listed in the calendar for the entire year. The updated Gamma Chi Yearbook and Chapter Rules have been posted. Because of the personal information, the picture directory is not posted. Anybody not receiving their copy by email should request a copy.

Our committee would like to encourage everyone, especially committee chairs, to submit news and/or articles to <u>Nancy Tunstall</u>, editor, for publication in the next *Gamma Chi Newsletter*. The submission deadline for the next newsletter will be **August 14**.

#### HOSPITALITY & SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE'S REPORT

by Debra Clayton, Hospitality and Social Affairs Committee Chair



Meal costs are to be paid at each meeting upon arrival. Members who are unable to attend after responding "yes" to their evite must inform Communications & Marketing Chair

Nancy Tunstall by the cut-off date of *Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>*. When this is not done, members will be expected to pay for the meal. Please send your payment by an attending member or have a friend pay for your meal (she could get you a carry-out meal if so desired). *The money is needed the night of the meeting so the caterer can be paid in full.* Also, you are welcome to bring prospective members as guests, but you will be responsible for paying for their meals. Thank you in advance.

#### 2023 GAMMA CHI GRANT-IN-AID RECIPIENTS

by Betsy Clark, Scholarship Committee Chair

Our chapter should be proud of the selections they made for our 2023 grant-in-aid recipients. The following will receive Gamma Chi Nancy Blankenship Grants-in-Aid: Heidi Labra-Franco and Holly Hughes. Robin West Edwards will receive a Gamma Chi Josephine Myrick Grant-in-Aid.

The following is an update on each recipient. Please feel free to offer words of encouragement to these women. You may want to send them a congratulatory email. Their names contain their email address link.



<u>Heidi Labra-Franco</u>: Heidi is completing her senior year at North Carolina State University. She continues her pursuit of a degree in math education.

<u>Holly Hughes</u>: Holly is a senior at Kerr-Vance Academy. In the fall, she will enter Vance-Granville Community College to begin pursuit of a nursing degree, eventually resulting in a career as a nursing instructor.





<u>Robin West Edwards</u>: Robin is a Warren County Schools non-certified employee. She will complete her education degree during the summer. She is currently doing her student teaching at Northside Elementary School.

#### **PATTIE RODWELL RECEIVES TWO GRANTS**



**Pattie Rodwell** was the recipient of two of the \$500.00 spring cycle NC DKG Educational Foundation grants. The first one was a Carlson Endowment Grant. This grant will allow elementary Exceptional Children to take field trips to community resources such as the post office, fire station, grocery store, and a local farm to give

them real life experiences.

The second foundation grant entitled, *Characters to Life*, will enable her to purchase a 3D printer for students to make 3D characters from their literacy lesson. After making the character, students will attach a recording device to be able to interact with the character.

Congratulations to Pattie for applying and receiving these grants. Now is the time to be thinking about a project for your classroom. Grant applications for the fall cycle will be due on September 30, 2023.

#### GAMMA CHI MEMBERS WILL SHINE AT THE NC DKG CONVENTION

**Diane Colin** will accompany her 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders from Littleton Academy when they share their musical talents at the NC DKG Convention on Saturday morning, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Diane, a music teacher and Gamma Chi member, received a grant from the Maxine and Don McCall Endowment for the Arts in 2019.



The grant helped purchase tall tubano drums for initiating a drumming program. Students will be showing their drumming, mallet and vocal skills during the presentation.



Sheila Robertson will present a workshop entitled Using Recycled and "Cheap" Stuff to Make Art. This workshop will cover artistic ways to recycle empty towel rolls, dried beans, etc. as well as utilizing paper plates and other dollar tree items to make art. This workshop is a must for elementary art classrooms or just

fun with the kids and grandkids. A "make and take" will also be offered for a quick spring project! Dr. Sylvia Alston will be the facilitator for Sheila's session.

#### **CONVENTION PROJECT RESPONSE**

Gamma Chi members responded with open hearts to the request to help the 2023 NC DKG Convention project, **Food Bank of the** 



Albemarle, which works to end food insecurity for students and families in Northeastern North Carolina. Visit the Food Bank of the Albemarle for more information. At the March meeting, Gamma Chi members contributed \$100.00 to support this project. These members attending the convention will be delivering our contribution: Dr. Sylvia Alston, Debra Clayton, Gail Coleman, Diane Colin, Sallye Duncan, Evelyn Hall, Sheila Roberson, Nancy Tunstall, and Shirley White. Thank you for your generosity!

#### WHAT TO EXPECT RELATED TO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AT CONVENTION

The Rules Committee, chaired by Diane Pina, has studied and organized the proposed amendments submitted to them and will share those with all members six weeks before the first day of the convention.

Two Standing Rules (SR) proposals come from the Finance Committee and relate to reducing and simplifying convention finances. The fiscal impact statement says, "Based on the 2022 convention, overall reimbursements totaled over \$11,000. The proposed change is to reduce reimbursement by paying travel at \$0.25 rather than \$0.32, covering only two convention program-based meals, and not reimbursing the registration fee." The SR allow reimbursements for state officers, regional directors, parliamentarian, state committee chairs, convention chair, registration chair, executive secretary, state treasurer, editor, and webmaster.

All of the other proposals come from the Communications and Marketing Committee or the Personnel Committee, and

most relate to making NC Data editor a related personnel position. That rationale states, "The Personnel Committee has proposed that the NC Data editor be included in the Related Personnel category. If this proposal passes, the NC Data editor would be included in all *Bylaw* items that include other related personnel. The work and scope of NC Data has grown over the last 12 years and the editor's position should be recognized as a related personnel in keeping with that work and scope. Publishing a quality monthly bulletin requires time and a deep knowledge of DKG and NC DKG. Making it a related personnel position would allow the Personnel Committee to create a job description to ensure skills, knowledge, and expectations are outlined and to select a qualified candidate for a set term. The editor of NC Data provides unique, valuable contributions to NC DKG on the same scope and scale as NC DKG News editor and webmaster and should be valued at that same level."

One other proposal requests the addition of NC DKG News before the word editor to clarify the position being referenced.

#### INTERNATIONAL IS SEEKING MEMBER INPUT

DKG President Dr. Debbie LeBlanc and the Headquarters Staff are initiating Town Hall meetings to seek member input.



The DKG website says, "Moving DKG forward requires informed and strategic decision making, so member feedback and input is essential. Please join us for a series of Town Hall meetings. Our first conversations will focus on future conferences and conventions."

- The meetings will be held:
- Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00 p.m. (EDT)
- Thursday, April 27 at 11:30 a.m. (EDT)
- Wednesday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m. (EDT)

• Saturday, May 20 at 11:30 a.m. (EDT) (with the administrative board)

#### **IMPORTANT UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT LEBLANC**

Avenue M is a consulting group that has been hired by DKG to work with the Membership Committee to find ways to attract, engage, and retain members. It has analyzed trends and patterns in membership to make recommendations for mem-



bership, leadership, and marketing. Learn more about this important step in recruiting and retaining members in President LeBlanc's three-minute video posted on the DKG YouTube Channel.



#### WHERE MIGHT YOU FIND A MEMBER?

Delta Kappa Gamma offers women educators an amazing opportunity to belong to an organization that promotes professional and personal growth among its members as

well as excellence in education. However, far too often our definition and vision of educator doesn't extend beyond the traditional school environment.

The DKG Expansion Committee would like to hear from you, the members of Delta Kappa Gamma, about members in your chapter who don't fit this conventional mold. It's time to think outside the box and extend the invitation of membership to educators in all fields and areas!

Are you unsure of what this might look like or who we might be thinking of as we begin this new way of thinking? Here are a few examples to jumpstart the discussion:

Counselor **Physical Therapist Corporate Trainer** Personal Trainer **Financial Counselor Bank Trainer Christian Education Director** Camp Instructor or Director Preschool Teacher Librarian Human Resources Trainer Facilitator **Trades Teacher** University Staff Food Service Instructor **IT Trainer** Paraprofessional **Yoga Instructor Museum Curator CPR** Instructor

Please share additional ideas in your response. Truly anyone who educates others and receives a payment for her services would be a candidate to consider. As stated on the Society website, a candidate for membership must be or have been employed as a professional educator at the time of her election. We need to continue to expand our membership base to ensure that Delta Kappa Gamma enjoys a long-life far into the future.

(Taken from the **DKGSI Blog**, November 18, 2021.)

#### MYSTERY MEMBER

by Nancy Tunstall, Editor



Here is the hint for this newsletter's mystery member. She spent her career working with exceptional children. She presented a program for Gamma Chi on a woman medical pioneer who founded hospice. She is very active in the community and in her church.

Who is she? The name of our mystery member will be revealed at the meeting.

Please complete your biographical sketch for an opportunity to be our Mystery Member. Contact Nancy Tunstall for information about completing your biographical sketch.

DKG MISSION STATEMENT		B	
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education	DATES TO May 11 May 15 July 11-16 July 18-22	<b>REMEMBER—DKG INTERNATIONAL</b> DKG's Founders Day (DKG will be 94!) Deadline to submit to the <i>Bulletin: Journal</i> DKG Conference, Detroit, Michigan DKG Conference, Phoenix, Arizona	
2021-2023 NC DKG THEME         Linking the Past, Present and Future         2022-2024 GAMMA CHI THEME	July 26-29 <b>2024</b> July 9-13	DKG Conference, Tampere, Finland DKG International Convention, National Harbor, Maryland (Gaylord National, D.C.	
The Ever Widening Circle of Delta Kappa Gamma! DKG VISION STATEMENT Leading Women Educators	<b>2026</b> June 30-July 4	Area) DKG International Convention, Aurora, Colorado (Gaylord Rockies)	
Impacting Education Worldwide NC DKG VISION (VIEW)	DATES TO REMEMBER—NC DKG		
<u>V</u> oices of <u>I</u> nfluence <u>E</u> mpowering North Carolina <u>W</u> omen Educators	April 28-30 May 1 <b>2024</b>	NC DKG Convention, Greenville Deadline to submit to the NC DKG News	
Check them out often! GAMMA CHI WEBSITE: http://deltakappagamma.org/NC-gammachi/	April 26-28	NC DKG Convention, Sheraton Imperial, Durham, NC; Region III will be hostesses	
NC DKG WEBSITE: <u>http://www.ncdkg.org/</u> DKG WEBSITE: <u>http://www.dkg.org/</u>	DATES TO REMEMBER—GAMMA CHIMay 7Gamma Chi's Founders Day (we'll be 40!)May 164th Gamma Chi Meeting, St. Paul'sLutheran Church, Ridgeway (St. Paul's)		
Please submit events, celebrations, recognitions and news to: Editor/Webmaster: <u>Nancy Tunstall</u>	May 16	Group hostesses) Dues due to Shirley White (\$85 Active, \$45 Reserve)	



OUR FIRST OFFICERS 1983-1984

(from left to right) SHIRLEY WHITE, Treasurer

LOUISE TWITTY, Second Vice President

**RACHAEL RICKS**, *President* 

LORRAINE PORTER, First Vice President

BRENDA HOLLOMAN, Recording Secretary

Not Pictured: CASSIE JONES, Corresponding Secretary BETSY LITTLE, Parliamentarian MELBA JOHNSTON, Historian

#### GAMMA CHI CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 2, 2023

The Gamma Chi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Society International, hosted by the Littleton Group, met at Littleton Baptist Church on March 2, 2023. During fellowship time, members contributed to Schools for Africa and Food Bank of the Albemarle projects, purchased raffle tickets, and took care of Afghan fundraiser responsibilities.

Dr. Sylvia Alston, Gamma Chi president, welcomed members and inspired the group with Mr. Rogers' wisdom. She also returned thanks for the meal prepared by host group. Members enjoyed a delicious meal of preachers' chicken, baked ham, creamed potatoes, green beans, broccoli salad, fruit cup, yeast rolls, tea and a choice of caramel or coconut cake. The group showed appreciation with a round of applause.

President Alston initiated a new program component, Meet a Member, and introduced Aimee A. Cooper to share her professional story with the membership. She spoke of her education, including a Master in Arts in School Counseling from UNC Charlotte; her work at Warren Early College, and fourteen years of mental health counseling experience. Connecting Communities and Counseling, a local mental health service which Aimee owns and operates, was the focus of her presentation. She provides mental health counseling to clients ranging from school-age (primarily 10 and older) through adulthood. One of Aimee's goals is to become a liaison in Warren County, bringing schools, parents, communities, and businesses together to address our mental health crisis. She encouraged teachers to be mindful of the program in dealing with their jobs and interactions and provided brochures.

The program included an opportunity for the membership to discuss in table groups the positives in Gamma Chi and areas that need improvement. After table groups shared with the larger group, the information was collected for consideration in future plans.

The president called the meeting to order. Betsy Clark, recording secretary, reported a quorum with 24 members in attendance. The membership approved the minutes of the December 1, 2022, meeting and Treasurer Shirley White's reports. The March 1 balances are \$4,262.47 in checking account and \$6,098.19 in savings account. Corresponding secretary, Evelyn Hall, reported cards sent to Sylvia Alston, Martha Ann Overby, Melanie Burnette, Mary Brodie Raiford, Nancy Tunstall, and Norma Retzlaff to bring cheer due to health concerns and illness and to Danylu Hundley congratulating her on the birth of a grandson. Evelyn thanked the group for a donation in her honor to the Pauline Longest Leadership Fund. Shirley White read notes from Warren County Social Services, several day care centers, and local libraries thanking Gamma Chi for recent donations. Gail Coleman shared notes expressing the heart-felt gratitude for the kindnesses the chapter has shown to the new teachers from the Philippines.

President Alston recognized Renee Mizelle as March's Mystery Member. She also recognized Pattie Rodwell as recipient of two NC DKG Educational Foundation grants: The Judith Carlson Endowment for field trips and community resources for Exceptional Children and a foundation grant for Bring Characters to Life Project. She also recognized Diane Colin, whose Littleton Academy Drum Circle will perform at the NC DKG Convention on Saturday, April 29, in Greenville. She presented the 2023 Golden Key Award to Debra Clayton.

The annual President's Report has been submitted, including Order of the Rose Award, Golden Key Award, Rising Star Award, and Communications Excellence Award. Dr. Alston reminded members of the annual convention in Greenville April 28-30. She emphasized that Evelyn Hall has chaired the Nominations Committee that will present a new slate of state officers at the convention.

Several Committees gave reports.

**Educational Excellence**: First Vice-President Sheila Robertson gave an overview of DKG participation in Schools for Africa and reported donations of \$165. She also reported \$100 collected for NC DKG Convention project, Food Bank of the Albemarle.

**Scholarship**: Betsy Clark and the committee recommended Robin W. Edwards, Holly Hughes, and Heidi Labra-Franco to receive \$500 grants-in-aid. The membership approved the committee's recommendations.

Afghan: Danylu Hundley excitedly reported that the Afghan raffle ticket sales are doing really well.

The Littleton Group conducted the raffle with members receiving a variety of prizes.

President Alston adjourned the meeting.

Respectively submitted, Betsy Clark, Recording Secretary

Active Members Present: Kirby Alston, Sylvia Alston, Ginny Bernard, Betsy Clark, Debra Clayton, Gail Coleman, Jill Coleman, Diane Colin, Aimee Cooper, Sallye Duncan, Shannon Fuller, Evelyn Hall, Linda Hall, Loree Harris, Mary Catherine Harris, Danylu Hundley, Laura Kearney, Renee Mizelle, Jenny O'Meara, Sheila Robertson, Pattie Rodwell, Chris Skinner, Rachel Smith, Shirley White

Active Members Absent: Mary Austell, Ashley Barnette, Kay Beaver, Lisa Bender, Diana Bobbitt, Kristen Boyd, Crystal Brantley, Katrinka Brewer, Melanie Burnette, Brooke Callihan, Elaine Coleman, Brenda Holloman, Katy Jones, Donna Liles, Tracy Neal, Norma Retzlaff, Michele Stallings, Kathy Stewart, Nancy Tunstall, Patricia Williamson

Collegiate Member Present: Robin Edwards

Honorary Member Present: Josephine Myrick

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#### 2022-2023 GAMMA CHI MEMBER EXCELLENCE AWARD FORM

#### NAME OF MEMBER\_

Use this form to keep a track of your attendance, participation, financial contributions, networking, and lifelong learning as a Gamma Chi member between September 1, 2022 and May 16, 2023. The goal is to earn 150 or more points. For those with 150+ points, submit your completed form to Ashley Barnette, Awards Committee chair, on May 16, 2023 or shortly thereafter. Recognition will consist of presentation of a certificate and pin at the September 7, 2023, meeting and notification of the award to the member's supervisor, if requested. Members achieving this award will have their picture taken for a newspaper article and the Gamma Chi website.

#### Member's Attendance:

- 1. Attend the following meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> meeting on September 1, 2022; 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting on December 1, 2022; 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting on March 2, 2023; and 4<sup>th</sup> meeting on May 18, 2023. (5 pts. each meeting, 20 pts. maximum)
  - 2. Attend one or more days of the 2023 NC DKG Convention in Greenville on Friday-Sunday, April 28-30, 2023. (10 pts.)

#### Member's Participation:

- 3. Wear your keypin to each of the regular meetings. (5 pts. each meeting, 20 pts. maximum)
- 4. Recommend a worthy candidate(s) for membership using a Prospect Card available at meetings or online. (5 pts. each)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Serve as an officer. (10 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Serve as a committee chair. (10 pts.)
- 7. Actively serve on a committee. (5 pts. each committee, 15 pts. maximum) List the committee(s):
- 8. Present a program at a Gamma Chi meeting. (10 pts.) List title and date of program:
- 9. Present a workshop/program at the NC DKG Convention or other DKG meeting outside of Gamma Chi. (20 pts.) List title, date, and location of session/program: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Apply or be nominated for a Delta Kappa Gamma award at the state or international level. (20 pts.) List name of award: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Submit or update your biographical sketch by December 1, 2022. (10 pts.) (Contact Nancy Tunstall for info and/or help)
- 12. Bring an item for the raffle when it is your group's turn. (5 pts.)
- 13. Participate when it is your group's turn to be hostesses for the meeting. (5 pts.)
- 14. Bring an item(s) or donation to the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting on September 1, 2022 for the New Teacher Bag project. (10 pts.)
- 15. Bring a children's book(s) to the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting on December 1, 2022. (5 pts.)
- 16. Apply for a scholarship: Gamma Chi Scholarship (deadline: Jan. 18, 2023), NC DKG Scholarship (deadline: Feb. 1, 2023) and/or 2023 International Scholarship (deadline: Feb. 1, 2022). All forms are online—check our website. (5 pts. each, 15 pts. maximum)
- 17. Apply for a Gamma Chi Professional Development grant. (5 pts.)
- 18. Respond *promptly* to your Evite to indicate if you are attending a meeting or not. (5 pts. each meeting, maximum 20 pts.)
- 19. Serve on a NC DKG committee. (10 pts.)

## Member's Financial Contribution:

- 20. Pay Membership Dues by 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting on May 18, 2023. Dues must be paid by June 30. (20 pts.)
- 21. Contribute at least \$10 to our Scholarship Fund. Should be made at the December meeting, but a contribution may be made at any time. Contribution form is on our website. (5 pts. for each multiple of \$10 contributed throughout the year, no maximum)
- 22. Sell at least 6 Afghan Raffle tickets with money turned in by May 18, 2023. (10 pts. for each set of 6 tickets sold, no maximum)
- 23. Make a contribution to World Fellowship at the December meeting. (5 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24. Make a contribution to Schools for Africa at the March meeting. (5 pts.)
- 25. Make a contribution by February 1, 2023 to a DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF) Fund—Cornetet Award, Educational Projects, Educators Award, Emergency, Eunah Temple Holden (ETH) Leadership, Golden Gift, International Speakers, or Scholarship. You may make your check payable to Gamma Chi Chapter or, since these fund donations are tax deductible, make payable to DKG. In either case, specify on the Memo line of your check the fund to which you are contributing. Give your check to Shirley White, Treasurer. Checks will be mailed to International Headquarters as a batch to give our chapter credit. A brief description of each fund is provided at the end of this form. (5 pts. each, 40 pts. maximum)
- 26. Make a contribution to the NC DKG Scholarship Fund by February 1, 2023. Make check payable to Gamma Chi Chapter and on the Memo line write "NC DKG Scholarship" or make the check to NC DKG Scholarship Fund. Give the check to Shirley White, Treasurer, who will mail the contributions as a batch from our chapter. (5 pts.)

- 27. Make a contribution to the NC DKG Leadership Fund by February 1, 2023. Make check payable to Gamma Chi Chapter and on the Memo line write "NC DKG Leadership" or make the check to NC DKG Leadership Fund. Give the check to Shirley White, Treasurer, who will mail the contributions as a batch from our chapter. (5 pts.)
- 28. Make a contribution to the NC DKG Educational Foundation by February 1, 2023. Make check payable to Gamma Chi or, since these fund donations are tax deductible, make payable to NC DKG Educational Foundation and on the Memo line write "NCDKGEF." (5 pts.)

#### Member's Networking and Lifelong Learning:

- 29. Visit, call and/or write a reserve member. (5 pts. each, 20 pts. maximum)
  - List reserve member(s) contacted:\_\_\_\_
- 30. Tell your colleagues about DKG and Gamma Chi Chapter along with its projects. (5 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 31. Check out from Nancy Tunstall and read *Our Heritage—Volume I, Volume II, and/or Volume III*. (5 pts. per volume, maximum 15 pts.)
- 32. Visit and peruse our website at least four times at: <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/NC-gammachi</u>. (5 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 33. Using the link found on Gamma Chi website, visit and peruse the DKG website at least four times. (5 pts.)
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 36. Using the link found on Gamma Chi website, visit and peruse the. DKGIEF page (5 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 37. Using the link found on Gamma Chi website, visit and peruse the NC DKG Educational Foundation website. (5 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 38. Using the link found on Gamma Chi website, visit and peruse the US FORUM website. (5 pts.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 39. Using the link found on Gamma Chi website, visit and peruse the DKG Facebook page. (5 pts.)
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- 41. Read the Chapter Rules found online at our website. (5 pts.)
- 42. Read the Gamma Chi Chapter History 1983-2012 and/or 2012-Present found on our website. (5 pts., maximum 10 pts.)
- 43. Check out from Nancy Tunstall and read *Delta Kappa Gamma in North Carolina, DKG in NC 1989-1997, DKG in NC 1997-2007, , and/or DKG in NC 2007-2017. (5 pts. per volume, maximum 20 pts.)*

According to my calculations, I have earned \_\_\_\_\_ points.

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- **Cornetet Award** –Cornetet funds are available for professional development for individuals (applications due November 1 & May 1) and for educational seminars (applications due November 1).
- Educational Projects Any educator may apply for project grants. Projects must meet one or more of the following: (1) Support and encourage intercultural understanding, (2) Encourage standards of excellence in education, and (3) Assist and cooperate with schools, colleges, universities and other persons, organizations, trust funds or foundations in support encouragement and improvement of education. (Applications due March 1)

Educators Award - Selected women authors receive cash awards for non-fiction writing impacting education.

**Emergency Fund** – Members who sustain major losses from floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, wild fires and other natural disasters may be recommended by their chapter and state organization president to receive a \$500 Emergency Fund Award.

ETH Leadership - Supports superb speakers for international meetings and other leadership events.

- **Golden Gift Fund** Provides for a member to attend a two-week leadership/management training seminar held in early July at the Red McCombs School of Business, University of Texas at Austin in even numbered years.
- International Speakers Fund The purpose of ISF is to facilitate exchange of Society speakers among member countries and help unite women educators of the world. The ISF committee considers requests for ISF speakers from state organizations twice annually. We have an ISF at our NC DKG Convention each spring. (Applications due September 15.)

World Fellowship Fund – Assists women from around the world to attend graduate school in the U.S. or Canada.

Scholarship Fund – Members may apply for a \$6,000 scholarship to assist them with their graduate studies (\$10,000 for doctoral studies). (Applications due February 1.)

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