

# ETA DATA ~ Our State Update for Chapter Presidents and Editors

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Ready, Set, **GROW!**

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DKG: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide


## Convention Project is Knickers for New Life, a Schools for Africa Project

Knickers for New Life has been chosen by Region XI as the 2021 NC DKG Convention Project. Knickers for New Life (KFNL) partners with schools in Uganda to keep girls in school by providing knickers (underwear), sanitary supplies, separate latrines, handwash stations, and mosquito-repellant soap. Thousands of girls miss a week of school a month because of the lack of these basic sanitary supplies. The results are life-long.



Choosing KFNL as the convention project celebrates the 10th anniversary of DKG's partnership with Schools for Africa. Only \$35 will meet the needs of a girl in a Ugandan school for a year, and 100% of the donations to KFNL will go to the non-profit ministry. Learn more at [knickersfornewlife.org](http://knickersfornewlife.org).

Donations to the convention project can be made in the Virtual Marketplace during the convention. Join Region XI to make this a successful project!

 **Hints to Editors:** What an exciting convention project! Read more about it in the upcoming issue of *NC DKG News* but begin sharing information now by going to the KFNL website and building awareness in members.

### Mark the Dates

Feb. 15	Arts & Humanities Gallery submissions due
Feb. 22	ASK Time—Utilizing a Strong Committee Framework
Feb. 24	US Forum Legislative Issues Zoom event
Mar. 1	<i>Bulletin: Journal</i> submissions due
Mar. 1	Chapter Achievement Awards, Golden Key Award, and Rising Star Award applications due
Mar. 1	Professional Awards Survey due
Mar. 1	Requirements for the Newsletter Excellence, Website Excellence and/or Communications Excellence Awards due
Mar. 1	Annual reports due from state leaders
Mar. 1	Ceremony of Remembrance info due
Mar. 15	Workshop presentation application due
Mar. 15	Ads for convention program due
Mar. 15	NC DKG EF Gray Scholarship applications due
Mar. 25	Convention vendor forms due
Mar. 29	ASK Time
Apr. 1	Convention workshop's link or recorded session due
Apr. 2	Convention registration with mailed materials deadline
Apr. 19	Convention registration without mailed materials deadline
Apr. 23-25	NC DKG Virtual Convention



### Convention Plans

Plans are progressing for the 2021 NC DKG virtual convention to be held April 23-25.

#### Registration

Registration for members is now open and will be \$25, which will help cover the cost of the virtual platforms, materials, and postage. The first 350 registrants will receive an iconic NC DKG 2020 convention bag. Those who register after April 2 are not guaranteed convention materials (activity packets, convention bling and more) but will receive links to participate in convention general sessions, business meetings, workshops, voting on officers, and voting on amendments to the *By-laws* and *Standing Rules*. Registration ends at noon, April 19. The form can be found at <https://bit.ly/2021NCDKGConvention>.

#### Convention Program Ads

Keepsake printed programs will be mailed to individuals or chapters who place ads, and those ads will be featured throughout the convention. A flipbook convention program will be available online. Ads are due March 15. See the [convention webpage](#) for links to guidelines and the form.

*See more dates and links for the convention on page 3.*

## State Perspective and Connections

### Ready, Set, GROW!

With President Dr. Teresa H. Cowan  
NC DKG President

#### DKG Treasure Quest: Share the Booty!

Did you follow the three steps to find the hidden treasures of DKG? Hope the journey was as rewarding as the destination. Treasures have been discovered and are being shared throughout NC DKG. Let me share some of the booty with you.



See **Delta Chi GROW!**  
“Speed Dating” activity\* to  
Embrace **Generational Diversity**



See **Delta Tau, Beta Iota, and others GROW!**  
**Research** tool used to poll the membership.  
Chapter decisions driven by **data**



See **Gamma Chi, Gamma Delta, and Alpha Eta GROW!**  
Trina Paynter, Maggie Murphy, and Samantha Jo Wilson Fulfilled **Opportunities for Leadership** being recognized in their field



See **Gamma Iota GROW!**  
“Making Lemonade out of Lemons”  
**Well-defined Zoom program** by Amy Marler

NC DKG members continually strive to “make lemonade out of lemons” (thanks, Amy) in these unusual times. Journeys and destinations have been literally minimized but members are figuratively sailing through these uncharted territories with a smile—a masked smile, but it is there.

Questions to ponder as you find ways to “make lemonade out of lemons”: What makes for a tasty “lemonade”? Is it the same for everyone? How do we determine the right recipe?

*\*Speed dating - Two rows (retired members and the active educators) lined up facing each other, introduced themselves and had one minute to talk. When the bell rang, one row moved down a person.*



EEC Equals Well-Defined Programs

### Choose Projects that GROW Love

By: Tobey Worthington, NC DKG First Vice-President

February makes us think of **Love** and everything **Hearts**. It is hard to show your love, appreciation, and fellowship of members when you cannot meet in-person. With the world as crazy as it is, try to remember to touch someone's day with an email, phone call, greeting card, or text. Empower, Engage and Create members through projects that abide by the distancing rule but also have a positive impact on someone, such as a food drive, handmade cards for children in the hospital or nursing home residents, a virtual auction with the proceeds going to a scholarship or SFA, or goodie bags for BTs dropped off at the office. Enable your heart to GROW by doing something kind for others.



### ELP TIP—Teachers Involved in Policy

Educational Law and Policy Committee offers this **TIP** for meeting with a legislator:



After you set up your meeting with a legislator, determine the role for each participant. Designate a group leader and let each person present an issue or main message. Practice for the meeting ahead of time.

- T:** Technique for chapters to develop supportive relationships
- I:** Develop opportunities to collaborate with a sister chapter. **Activity: Books for High Point L.E.A.P.**
- P:** Item submitted by Mary Ann Hart – Chi Chapter  
Visit [Mentor Project](#) on the state website or contact [Doris Littlejohn](#).



**Mentor TIP**

### Reports by State Leaders Due March 1

Annual Reports for state officers, related personnel, committee chairs/ reps/ liaisons, and regional directors are due March 1, 2021. If you have not received an email with the instructions for submitting the report for your position, contact President [Dr. Teresa H. Cowan](#). (**NOTE:** these are state and not chapter reports.)

## NC DKG: Past, Present and Future 2021 Virtual Convention Dates and Links April 23-25, 2021



<i>Date Due</i>	<i>What It Is</i>	<i>Link to Form</i>	<i>Contact</i>
Mar. 15	Proposal to present workshop	<a href="http://bit.ly/21workshops">http://bit.ly/21workshops</a> (a Google form)	First Vice-President Tobey Worthington <a href="mailto:ncdkgtw@gmail.com">ncdkgtw@gmail.com</a>
Mar. 15	Convention ads	<a href="http://bit.ly/21programadinfo">http://bit.ly/21programadinfo</a> (a pdf file)  <a href="http://bit.ly/21programadform">http://bit.ly/21programadform</a> (a Google form)	Mail checks to: Leslie Black, NC DKG Treasurer, 4715 Little Mountain Rd., Catawba, NC 28609-8212  Direct questions to Carol Bostian <a href="mailto:ncdkgnews@gmail.com">ncdkgnews@gmail.com</a>
Mar. 25	Virtual Marketplace Vendor forms	<a href="http://bit.ly/21Virtual-MarketVendorApp">http://bit.ly/21Virtual-MarketVendorApp</a> (a Google form)	NC DKG Treasurer Leslie Black <a href="mailto:dkgnctreasurer@gmail.com">dkgnctreasurer@gmail.com</a>
Apr. 2 (Apr. 19 without mailings)	Convention registration	<a href="https://bit.ly/2021NCDKG-Convention">https://bit.ly/2021NCDKG-Convention</a> (a Google form)	Convention Co-chair Bonnie Golden <a href="mailto:jerboni123@bellsouth.net">jerboni123@bellsouth.net</a>

**Reminder of Awards Due on March 1**  
Links to all forms can be found on the [Forms page](#) of the NC DKG website

<i>Award</i>	<i>Contact</i>
Chapter Achievement Award	Submit to regional director
Golden Key Award Rising Star Award	Awards Committee, <a href="#">Donna Rudisill</a> , chair
Newsletter Excellence Award Website Excellence Award Communications Excellence Award	Communications and Marketing Committee, <a href="#">Dedra Davis</a> , chair

*Presented by the Leadership Development Committee*

### “Spa” Afternoon is Part of Convention Plans

Relax with friends in a special Saturday afternoon “spa” session at the convention. “Rejuvenating the Leader within for Inspiring the Leader in Others,” presented by the Leadership Development Committee, will take place from noon to 5:30 p.m. and “will be limited to an intimate number to enhance participation,” said Carolyn Coram, committee chair.



Look for a specific option for this leadership event on the registration form for the virtual NC DKG Convention. Contact Carolyn Coram at [sailingcoram@gmail.com](mailto:sailingcoram@gmail.com) with questions.

## New This Convention: Virtual Marketplace

In place of a vendor area at an in-person convention, the 2021 NC DKG convention will feature a Virtual Marketplace.

The Virtual Marketplace will allow members and guests to **donate** to the convention project and the “Pass the House” to support Headquarters; **bid** on “Leadership Baskets” and an NC DKG Educational Foundation auction item; and **shop** chapter fundraising products.

Chapters wishing to participate in the Virtual Marketplace should fill out the vendor form at <http://bit.ly/21VirtualMarketVendorApp>.

The Virtual Marketplace will be open April 23 until April 30.



#### **Presidents Take Note:**

Please read the directions on the Marketplace [vendor form](#) for more details if your chapter wishes to “have a booth.”

## Voting on Amendments at Convention



**Presidents Take Note:** Prepare now to receive the proposed amendments next month and to distribute them to all members for review. Those registered for the convention will vote to accept or decline the amendments.

## Share with Treasurers



**Presidents Take Note:** Please be sure to share the recent *Presidents’ Page* article “Treasurers’ Tips” with your chapter treasurer, especially if you inducted new members in January. The dues portal will close on March 1. It will reopen April 1 to take 2021-22 dues. Remind members, too, that the dues deadline is June 30.



## How Does Your Membership GROW?

### Please take care of senior members!

Please ensure that senior members pay dues every year. Senior members may not remember this responsibility or have family to know if dues are paid. As a result, it is with much sadness that chapters learn that a deceased member cannot be recognized for her service because she was not a current member.

## Gray Scholarship Due March 15

The NC DKG Educational Foundation reminds members that the Marilyn F. Grinwis Gray Scholarships for those majoring in Music Education or Elementary Education, sponsored by Theta Chapter, are due March 15. The application is on the [Foundation website](#).

## Update on State Convention Locations

Going virtual in 2021 has meant that NC DKG hotel contracts have been shifted to a year later. Shifting the schedule has allowed planning for this year's convention to proceed as a virtual event and has avoided paying contract cancellation fees. The 2022 and 2023 conventions have been set (see below). Put these dates on your calendar and plan to once again enjoy in-person fellowship with your NC DKG colleagues.

### Convention Dates

**April 23-25, 2021** — NC DKG Convention, Virtual Event

**July 7-10, 2021** — International Conference, Portland, OR

**July 21-24, 2021** — International Conference, San Antonio, TX

**April 29-May 1, 2022** — NC DKG Convention, Asheville Crowne Plaza Resort

**July 12-16, 2022** — International Convention, New Orleans, LA

**April 28-30, 2023** — NC DKG Convention, Greenville

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

NC DKG Website: <https://www.ncdkg.org>

For comments or questions regarding *Eta Data*, please contact Editor [Susan Kuenzel](#) or NC DKG President [Dr. Teresa H. Cowan](#)

## Taking the Survey Encouraged

International President Becky Sadowski is asking members to take the survey on the DKG website to help guide the decisions about this summer's conferences. She says, "As we move forward with planning for 2021 international conferences, we are offering an opportunity for members to share their thoughts regarding attendance at these DKG events. After members sign-in on the DKG website, they should look in the upper right section of the page to find a survey question that we hope members will complete. The question is longer than usual, so members will need to scroll down on the question to submit their response."

The survey question changes periodically, so if this particular question about the conferences is not still up, please answer the one that is there. All input is valuable to planning and operations.



**Hints to Editors:** The survey is a simple way for all members to be involved in some way on the international level. Please share.

## DKG Headquarters Update

In on-going efforts to keep members informed about the sale of DKG Headquarters, President Becky Sadowski has shared the following information.

In late January, DKG leaders, along with the buyer's team and the realty advisory group representing DKG, met with the Austin City Planning Commission. After presentations by the Austin Historic Landmark Commission, DKG members and leaders, and the buyer's team, the Commission voted on two critical decisions: the historic designation for the DKG property was denied, and a recommendation for Downtown Mixed Use (DMU) rezoning was approved without any conditional overlays, such as height restrictions.

These decisions clear the way for approval of a demolition permit and hopefully approval of the DMU rezoning by the Austin City Council when the case is heard at its meeting, currently scheduled for February 18. Within the next few months, more information regarding these and other next steps will be made available as soon as possible.

The Administrative Board will begin considering potential future sites for a new headquarters in the Austin area as the process moves into the final stages. At that time, feedback from members and staff will become critical.