

Mission: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

From Marsha Irvin



I read somewhere that you know it's spring if your nose does more running that you do! Even though many of us suffer from the effects of pollen, I believe all of us enjoy the beauty of new life and growth that spring brings us.

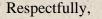
On May 10 we will also experience new life and growth within our chapter when we install new officers for the 2022-2024 biennium.

Omicron's 2022 – 2024 officers are as follows: Christine Gilmore (President), Lisa Lewis (Vice-President), Kasey Hare (Recording Secretary), Susie Pope (Corresponding Secretary), Marsha Irvin (Treasurer), and Rosalie Bissette (Parliamentarian). The new biennium begins July 1, 2022. I know you will encourage and support these ladies. Please say "yes" when you are asked to serve on or chair a committee. We need you!

I thank you for allowing me to serve as Omicron's president for the last four years. A special Thank You! to our Executive Board for serving with me for two bienniums. This Executive Board had the experience, passion, vision, and drive to "make things happen". They helped determine our programs, speakers, locations; they remained focused on DKG's vison and mission, even during the pandemic; they lifted my spirits and gave me support. I was truly blessed to have them.

Hope to see you on May 10th.

2021 - 2023 NC DKG Theme



Marsha Irvin Omicron President/Treasurer "Linking the Past, Present and Future"

Dues and Programs for 2022-2023



Dues for active members are \$87 (\$75 dues/fees and \$12 raffle). Dues for reserve members (members who cannot either physically or geographically attend meetings) are \$39 (\$27 dues/fees and \$12 raffle). The raffle is used to fund our Wilson Community College \$500 grant-in-aid. Please make your check payable to NC DKG – Omicron and bring your check to our May meeting or mail to Marsha Irvin (1009 Oak Forest Dr. NW, Wilson, NC 27896) by June 15.

Congratulations to Renee Olivieri, our 2021 raffle winner!



Meetings/Programs for 2021-2022

The Executive Board planned an interesting program for our May 2022 meeting. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend our meeting, enjoy the program, and share in our friendship and fellowship.

Date	Time	Location	Program
Monday, September 27	7:00 pm	Eagles Center (Wilson Community College)	Dot Carter – "Remembering Eta State (NCDKG) Past"
Monday, November 8	4:30 pm	President's Box (Barton College football field)	Coach Chip Hester
Tuesday, February 8	4:30 pm	St. Timothy's Episcopal Church	Police Chief Scott Biddle
Tuesday, May 10	4:30 pm	Wilson Arts Council	Cathy Hardison

The Wilson Arts Council is located at 204 Nash St., Wilson.

2022 New Chapter Leader Training

New chapter leaders for the 2022-2024 biennium should attend the summer New Leader Training. This event includes information for presidents, treasurers, membership chairs, and educational excellence chairs. The 2022 summer New Leader Training will be a virtual event held on Saturday, June 18, 2022. It is extremely important that new leaders plan to attend the training

From Dot Carter - NC DKG Educational Foundation

Opportunities

Need funds for a classroom or educational project or for professional development? Want to honor the classroom teachers or other educators for their heroic efforts in the past year to continue to educate students? Then the North Carolina Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation (NCDKGEF) presents opportunities for you!

Projects – NCDKGEF offers grants from \$500 to \$1,000 to fund projects that enhance education in school or community and/or to provide some funding for attending professional conferences. Go to the NCDKGEF website; see Grants tab for a listing and descriptions of the grants available. **Deadline** for this round of grants is **September 31, 2022**. Ladies, this gives us plenty of time to apply!



From Carol Putney - Omicron's "Love Offering"

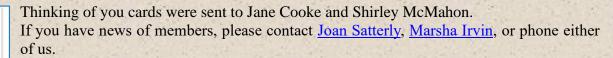
Good news! Because of your generosity, we were able to purchase and distribute 22 gift cards to our 3rd year elementary teachers! Thank you!

Community Soup Kitchen Volunteers

Omicron's next scheduled Soup Kitchen date is **Monday**, **August 29**. An email will be sent to those who expressed an interest in volunteering. If you did not sign up and would like to volunteer, please contact either Martha Wrenn or Marsha Irvin. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us.



From Joan Satterly - Member News

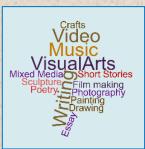


DKG Gallery of Fine Arts

Thinking

of you

Are you an artist? A photographer? A writer? A musician? Omicron would like one or more of its members showcased in the DKG Gallery of Fine arts. The submission periods are August 15 – September 15 and January 15 – February 15. Please consider sharing your talents!



From Jerri Moore – Omicron Website



Visit <u>http://wilsonomicron.weebly.com/</u> for all the latest Omicron news. Jerri has our site updated to include meeting dates/times/locations, newsletters, tributes, and photos.

Resources Tab on DKG Website Has Wealth of Information



As chapters prepare programs, invite new members, update resources, or need tools of any kind, the Resources tab of the DKG website is a good place to start. It is a member's go-to resource for anything DKG! It has music, logos, sample brochures and flyers, the ceremonies' scripts, and tools for communication and marketing, scholarship, finance, and general chapter tools, such as a new member kit, chapter strengthening tips, best chapter projects list, and fundraising ideas. Become familiar

with what is there so that when you or your chapter needs ideas, support, or tools, you know right where to go! (Log in to have access to it.)

Omicron newsletter

Please let Marsha know if you have any announcements, suggestions, articles, etc. for our newsletter. You may call/text Marsha at 252-230-3830 or email her at <u>Marsha Irvin</u>.



Online DKG News

The 2022 March/April issue of **DKG** News is available online-only on the DKG website. Have you set up an account on the DKG website? All you need is your membership ID number which is printed on your DKG membership card. Go to <u>http://www.dkg.org</u> and set up your account!

The Spring 2022 issue of *NC DKG News* is available online. Go to <u>https://www.ncdkg.org/</u> to read the exciting things happening in NC DKG chapters. NC DKG members and chapters are encouraged to send information to be used in the NC DKG News to Carol Bostian, Editor. Newsletter Deadlines to submit information are August 1(Fall), November 1 (Winter), February 1 (Spring), and May 1 (Summer).

Important Dates for Omicron Members

April 29-May1, 2022	NC DKG Convention, Crowne Plaza Resort (Asheville NC)
May 1, 2022	NC DKG News deadline
May 11, 2022	Dkg Founders Day
May 15, 2022	New Chapter Officers report Form 110 due
May 23, 2022	Ask Time for chapter presidents
June 18, 2022	New Chapter Officers Training
June 30, 2022	Deadline for paying Omicron dues
July 1, 2022	Beginning of new Omicron biennium
July 12-16, 2022	International Convention, New Orleans, LA
September 24, 2022	NC DKG Fall Executive Board meeting in Greensboro, NC
April 28-30, 2023	NC DKG Convention, Greenville, NC (next year)



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS

2021 - 2023 NC DKG officers

Beth Winstead President Hilda Parler First Vice President Tammy Cullom Second Vice President Patty Higgins Secretary

Omicron Officers For 2021 – 2022:

President	Marsha Irvin
Vice-President	Tasha Weatherington
Recording Secretary	Jean Yelverton
Corresponding Secretary	Joan Satterly
Parliamentarian	Rosalie Bissette
Treasurer/Editor	Marsha Irvin
Past President	Marsha Irvin



Committee Chairs for 2021-2022:

Educational Excellence CommitteeCatharine Reed		
Membership	Christine Gilmore	
Scholarship	Pat Campbell	
Nominations	Beverly Boyette / Isabel Fulghum	
Rules	Dot Carter	
Communications	Dana Skinner	
Publicity	Mamie Boyette	
Finance		
Strategic Action Plan	.Dot Carter	
Westview House Project	Pat Campbell	

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

NC DKG Website: www.ncdkg.org

Omicron Website: http://wilsonomicron.weebly.com

Region II Director: Edie Snider

Pictures from the February 8, 2022 meeting



Rose giving the inspiration.



Our speaker, Chief Biddle



Jean introducing our speaker.



C. Higgs, WCC grant-in-aid recipient



Some of the members at the meeting.



Membership recognition:

Suzanne (30 years) and Barbara (40 years)