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Region XI NC DKG
Cherokee-Clay-Macon-Graham
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Educators Book Award Winners Announced

The Educators Book Award Committee “recognizes women authors whose educational research and writing potentially impact the thoughts and actions of today’s complex society.” They presented the annual Educators Book Award for 2022 to Ralina L. Joseph and Allison Briscoe-Smith for their book *Generation Mixed Goes to School: Radically Listening to Multiracial Kids*. Read more about the book and the committee’s comments [online](#).



Honorable Mentions went to *Segregation by Experience: Agency, Racism, and Learning in the Early Grades* by Jennifer Keoys Adair and Kiyomi Sanchez-Suzuki Colegrove and to *Emotionally Responsive Practice: A Path for Schools that Heal, Infancy—Grade 6* by Lesley Koplow.



International President
Becky Sadoski

President Becky was very engaging and available to members at our state convention. She spoke several times during the event, including an informative Q & A lunch session on Saturday. She shared news about the sale of the headquarters building and how Annie Webb Blanton’s legacy will live on at the facility. “Annie B will always have a presence at 12th street in Austin Texas”. The new Address for International Headquarters is 12710 Research Blvd. Suite 230, Austin, TX 78759.



Sheri Anderson Black & President Becky



NC DKG President Beth Winstead
at President's Banquet



Representing Alpha Iota
at the President's Banquet

Terry Gribble, Dedra Davis and special
guest Sheri Anderson Black. Terry carried
the AI flag in Kathryn's place.

Educational Excellence

By: Hilda Parlér, EEC Chair



Celebrate!

Host a 10th or 25th "Anniversary Reunion." Invite former members. This is a time to renew friendships and recruit them to rejoin your chapter. Ask all members to share their best moments of what they experienced in the chapter during those years and what they expect for the future in the chapter. This is also a perfect time to recognize milestones of members and present them a framed certificate. This could inspire the former members to return as they see their membership will be recognized and valued.



ELP Presentation Online

By: Malinda Pennington, ELP Committee Chair

Missed the Convention? Enjoy the **Educational Law and Policy (ELP) Committee**

Presentation available in our News and Resources folder (<https://bit.ly/NCDKG-ELP>).

Voting is a powerful way to advocate. The presentation contains steps to advocate for schools and teachers, information about your ballot reflecting important races in your area and other voting tips. Stay informed on critical topics such as the new proposed changes to teacher licensure and advancement and the proposed "Parents Bill of Rights" (NC House Bill 755), which can have great impact on our schools.

If you would like a member of the NC ELP Committee to present to your chapter, please contact us at ncdkg.elp.chair@gmail.com (remove the space).

2022-2024 Alpha Iota officers installed at May meeting



Photo: Suzanne DesLauriers

Pictured above are 2022-2024 officers and Nominations committee chair, Dr. Jeanette Hedrick
Not pictured are Dr. Tracie Metz and Dorothe Willson.



**DR. TRACIE METZ PRESIDENT
2022-2024**



**1st VP
Dr. April Tallant**



**Corresponding Secretary-
Dorothe Willson**



**Parliamentarian
Suzi Cabe**



**2nd VP -
Alissa Cheek**



**Recording Secretary-
Terry Gribble**



**Treasurer
Julie Norcross**

New Members Inducted



Alpha Iota is extremely pleased to welcome four new members at our May meeting. Pictured front to back :
Latressa Phillips, Renee Deweese, Tammy Cabe, and Katee Johnson

Goldhagen Glass

Following our May meeting, members were treated to an exciting demonstration of glassblowing by renowned glass artist David Goldhagen at his studio neighboring the Hinton Center. Thank you to our hostesses for making the arrangements!



Chapter dues

Active member dues are \$79.

Reserve members pay \$43.

Julie must have these submitted by July 1st.

Please mail checks to:

Julie Norcross
861 HWY 28
Robbinsville, NC
28771-8849

Grant-in-Aid

Recipients of our two annual grant-in-aid awards will each receive \$1200 applied towards their tuition this fall. Awards were presented at the senior awards ceremonies.

Pictured bottom left is Alissa Cheek, chairman of the scholarship committee and Murphy High recipient Faith Ann Revis. On the right Suzi Cabe presents the award to recipient Hannah Brown of Swain County.

Well done ladies!



Alpha Iota Chapter Branding Project

Our Executive Board decided a chapter shirt would be an excellent new marketing strategy for DKG and our chapter specifically. A design was created and approved by the board. An order form for the shirts will be available at the September meeting. The shirts are a short sleeve black jersey polo with collar and embroidered logo. Cost is \$28. S-XL
Larger sizes - additional cost



President's Message



Kathryn Kantz

**Outgoing Alpha Iota President
& Covid survivor!**

2020 - 2022

Thank you for your leadership
during the "Covid Biennium" !

Hello Alpha Iota Sisters,

As my Presidency winds to a close, I want to share how honored I have been to work with such an amazing group of women. Throughout these two years, so impacted by the pandemic, you have maintained the faith, keeping this group going, even when we were only able to see each other through a computer screen. As a result, we have come through this time with stronger bonds, even if with fewer members. Spring always brings a reminder of the joys and hope that exist in the world. I am filled with joy that we will be inducting an excellent slate of officers, led by Tracie Metz, and am hopeful that the upcoming year continues to allow us to gather and support women educators. I know that the years ahead will present many new and exciting challenges that we will meet together. Thank you for being a part of Alpha Iota!

In Sisterhood,
Kathryn

Celebrations and Concerns

- Congratulations to all our members who celebrated graduations of children/grandchildren this summer.
- Congratulation to Angel Owen's daughter Hillary on a scholarship to continue her studies at ETSU Bill Gatton College of Pharmacy.
- Congratulations to Sharon Perry for being selected "Teacher of the year" at Hayesville Elementary.
- May safe travels and fabulous experiences await all with the opportunity to travel this summer!
- Please keep both Dr. Lisa Bloom and Dr. Lisa Fletcher in your thoughts and prayers as their beloved husbands undergo chemotherapy treatment for cancer.
- Please remember Cicely Mason Cable as she continues her battle as a Systemic Scleroderma "Warrior Princess" while rocking it as an amazing art teacher at two schools!
- Special guest/future new member Sheri Anderson Black could use our thoughts and prayers as she begins the and testing evaluation process for a kidney transplant.
- Continued prayers to all of our members who are helping to care for their parents or loved ones with health concerns.

Save the Dates!



LINKS

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Website:

www.dkg.org

[NC DKG Website](#)

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[https://alphaiotanc.
weebly.com](https://alphaiotanc.weebly.com)

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Alpha Iota Chapter Meetings

September 10, 2022

November 5, 2022

December 3, 2022

March 18, 2023

June 3, 2023

Upcoming DKG Events

June 30

Membership dues due to chapter treasurers

July 1

Beginning of new DKG year and new biennium

July 12-16

International Convention, New Orleans, LA

July 15

Form 15 due from chapters to state treasurer

July 26

ASK Time for chapter presidents

Aug. 1

Bulletin: Collegial Exchange submissions due

Aug. 1

NC DKG News deadline

Aug. 15-Sept. 15

Arts & Humanities Gallery submission window open

Aug. 23

ASK Time for chapter presidents

Sept. 15

International Speaker applications due

Sept. 24

NC DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting, Greensboro

Sept. 27

ASK Time for chapter presidents

Sept. 30

NC DKG Educational Foundation Grants applications due

Sept. 30

Deadline to enter dues into portal to avoid members
being dropped