

The Mason Jar Minute



When I was a child, I couldn't wait for December to come because I knew Santa Claus would come and bring me a few presents. The saddest day of the year was the day after Christmas because I knew I had to wait 364 days! Now a days people put up their decorations in November and take them down the day after Christmas—this makes me sad—It's like they want to take down the magic. In Maryland, we put the tree up the week before and have it stay up until New Year's.

Whatever your tradition, Christmas, Hanukah, or Kwanza, celebrate the season with family, friends, and faith. Help others when you can and always be humble and kind.

Love and hugs, Debbie

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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ALTRUISTIC PROJECT

Introducing the 2019 International Convention Altruistic project - [Kids Against Hunger](#) is a non-profit humanitarian organization with a mission to provide fully nutritious food to impoverished children and families around the world...and around the corner. The goal of the organization is for the meals to provide a stable nutritional base from which recipient families can move their families from starvation or food insecurity to self-sufficiency.

Fulfilling Kids Against Hunger's mission requires a vast food packaging capacity to meet an endless demand for food. Kids Against Hunger believes that the best way to engage the largest number of people is through a decentralized, locally-based network of food packaging satellites that are active in their community. This model engages and empowers people to realize they can make a difference in solving the worldwide problem of starvation and establishes relationships with organizations such as Kiwanis and Rotary. This growth strategy also allows the organization to continuously expand its food packaging capacity and volunteer involvement.

Since its launch, Kids Against Hunger has provided over 2 billion meals for children and their families in 70 countries through the efforts of hundreds of thousands of volunteers.



Fraternal Gifts for Christmas

I hope all of you had a Happy Thanksgiving and are looking forward to a Merry Christmas. In relation to your Fraternity Education Activities for December, there are at least 3 suggestions related to Christmas in the International Committee's Fraternity Education Activities on the website.

Many groups are doing various activities for altruism and fraternity ed, such as Toys for Tots or serving and/or providing meals for the less fortunate to giving fruit baskets to senior citizen's groups.

There are so many activities that your group can provide during the Christmas season, so put your Santa hats (thinking caps) on and make good and thoughtful plans for your chapter's Christmas Fellowship and Altruism.

I know many of you use your Christmas meeting for a Christmas party and Fellowship time. The suggestions for Christmas Fraternity Education are great for this type of activity.

I hope each of you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Merry Christmas

Pam Parmer

GA Fraternity Education Chairman



THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



DATES TO REMEMBER

District Chairmen Meeting at La Quinta, Macon—
January 26, 2019

GA FUN DAY APRIL 27, 2019 --ANDERSON
CENTER, Macon

GA STATE CONVENTION JEKYLL ISLAND
APRIL 17-19, 2020

Spring District Meetings

FEB 2	Heart of Georgia
FEB 9	Albany
FEB 23	Golden Isles
MAR 2	Augusta/Marietta
MAR 9	Atlanta/Decatur
MAR 16	Athens/Columbus
MAR 23	Dalton
APR 27	FUN DAY



HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM YOUR STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD

(Missing are Immediate Past State President Sandra Bailey and State Historian Kathy Jones)



**SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM YOUR 2018-2020
STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ADVISORY
COUNCIL**

Dear Sisters,

When I received the beautiful GIFT OF MEMBERSHIP tri fold back in October, it brought back so many memories for me...just the title alone. A friend GIFTED me the GIFT of Membership in Alpha Delta Kappa some 20 years ago. I had no idea at the time what this gift truly meant. What a great gift to give a friend this holiday season!

Family and Friends make the holiday season fun and festive. As you celebrate this miraculous occasion called Christmas, know that you are on exemplary group of SISTERS and I am thankful for each of you as we journey through Alpha Delta Kappa together. May this joyous season bring laughter, joy and peace to you. May your inner child come out this holiday season so you truly enjoy and appreciate the small things in life that so often get overlooked! Wishing you all the happiness of the season and into the New Year! Love to all, Debbie Boswell

Membership News

Each of you received several Newsletters, Updates and Messages concerning Membership and our International Campaign which begins January 1, 2019. Oh my, did I really type 2019 already! Where does time go! I thought I'd highlight two very important pieces of information you have already seen and have added a note about TRANSFERS.

Membership Campaign (initiating in a timely manner) – The Membership Campaign begins **January 1, and ends April 30**. The H-133 must be submitted on or before April 30, to Headquarters in order for the chapter to be eligible for the monetary incentives. Paperwork submitted after April 30, does NOT count.

Resignations: The chapter membership chairman needs to send a letter to the resignee letting her know that she can petition the chapter at any time to be reinstated.

Transfers: The RECEIVING chapter fills out the TRANSFER form on the International Website. Once you receive confirmation from International, please forward ME a copy.

(debbieb.adk@gmail.com) and make sure you send an email to Sandra Bailey so she is able to update the GA Directory.

World Understanding

Christmas in Haiti

In Haiti, at the beginning of December, people start looking for [Christmas Trees](#). They might cut pine branches or go to the market and get trees brought from the mountains. The trees are decorated with bright ornaments. At the bottom of the tree is a large [nativity scene](#). Sometimes the trees and scenes take up a lot of the living room! Churches and other organisations also have trees on display. Artificial trees are also more common as they last longer. People also fix and redecorate their homes ready for Christmas.

In Haiti Happy/Merry Christmas in Creole/Haitian is 'Jwaye Nowe'. French is also commonly spoken in Haiti where it is 'Joyeux Noël'.

On [Christmas Eve](#), children place their newly cleaned shoes, filled with straw under the tree on the porch. They hope that [Santa](#) (called 'Tonton Nwèl') will remove the straw and put presents in and around the shoes!

Often, lots of houses in neighborhoods are open with all lights on until about 3.00am! Children are normally allowed to go out and often the parents don't know where they are in the early morning - the older children are expected to look after the younger ones.

Some people go to a Midnight Mass church service, or you might go out carol singing. After the Mass, people come home and eat the main meal called 'reveillon' (it's a French term meaning 'to wake up' and is what the main meal is also called in [France](#)). The meal normally starts in the early hours of Christmas morning and lasts until the dawn!

Christmas Day is much quieter with people sleeping off the celebrations of the night before! However, there will be more eating and playing with the toys from Tonton Nwèl.



Ms. MJ A&K

Dear Ms. M J,

Does our Holiday Social count as a regular meeting?

Celebrating President

Dear Celebrating President,

That is a great question! In order to qualify for the cornucopia and seven pearls, your chapter must have 9 meetings. That means having a business session and minutes. If your chapter planned 10 meetings during the year, then 1 can be a social with no minutes. If your chapter only planned 9, then yes, you do need to have a short business meeting to count as one of the 9 required meetings. Whichever you have planned, enjoy your fellowship time and, of course, the delicious food!!!!

Faternally,

Ms. MJ A&K



"I never thought it was such a bad little tree. It's not bad at all, really. Maybe it just needs a little love."

Around the State

CHALLENGE FOR THE STATE FROM ALPHA GAMMA

During our November meeting the Alpha Gamma Chapter voted to donate \$150 to the World Understanding Project - Teach Too. In addition to our donation, we would like to challenge the other Georgia Chapters to do the same. If every chapter meets the challenge, Georgia will contribute over \$10,000 to this very worthy endeavor. Wouldn't you like to contribute to this worthy cause?

Christmas is like candy; it slowly melts in your mouth, sweetening every taste bud, making you wish it could last forever.
- Richelle E. Goodrich

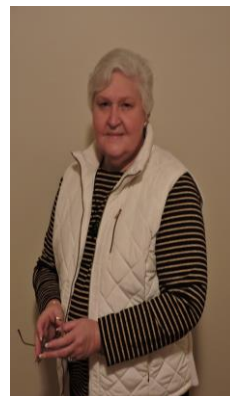
Beta Psi at the Alzheimer's Walk in Gainesville.



Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and Happy New Year!

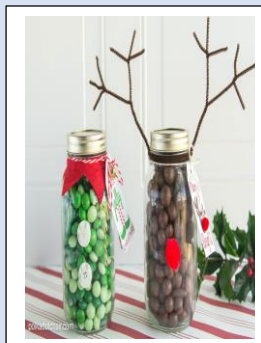
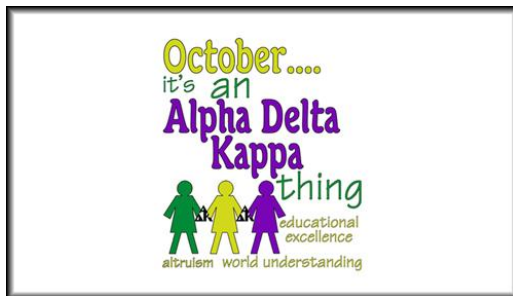
I hope all of you had a blessed Thanksgiving. I was moved as I read newsletters from our Southwest Georgia (Bainbridge and Albany) Sisters as they gave thanks for the slow recovery from Hurricane Michael. They each were thankful for their lives being spared and that they had wonderful people who volunteered to give them a helping hand.

Planning for Fun Day is in the works and moving ahead. Fun Day is on Saturday, April 27 at the Anderson Center in Macon. Chapter Presidents who are age 40 and under, please contact me if you will be attending Fun Day at rushingnh37@att.net. More details about Fun Day will be coming next month, but mark your calendars now.



Norma Rushing, GA President -Elect

ALPHA DELTA KAPPA MONTH CONTINUED



Beta Nu giving support to Robotics Team

Gamma Beta helps Rossville Elem.



Beta Phi donates sports equipment to Bagley Middle School



Tau donates books to SGHS Maternity Care Center

ALPHA DELTA KAPPA MONTH

Oh, how much I appreciate the response I'm receiving to this very exciting time for Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa. As you fill out your reports, remember to send photographs of your activities, *with form included*, either through email or postal service, not only to me, but to *Georgia Historian Kathy Jones, 656 Albert Brady Rd., Lenox, GA 31637, kpjones79@gmail.com*. With emailed photos, please note the names of the persons in the photo and the activity taking place. Use sticky notes to list persons in photos if using postal service. If I have an email, I will send confirmation of receiving and date received of form and pictures.

REMEMBER, this form is due DECEMBER 1, 2018. TODAY!!!!

Send to: *Lynn Malloy Fuller,*
Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Month Chairman,
1226 Chaplin Drive, Columbus, GA 31904,
 or email to: *nanilynn62@gmail.com*



MONEY TALK with

Terri Thompson, \$tate Treasurer

As you complete your **GIFT** purchases, be sure to include one, **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL** for yourself (egoism is acceptable). You will become a **Star** on your chapter's Alpha Delta Kappa tree with dues for international, state, district, chapter, scholarship and courtesy fees remitted by December 31, 2018. This will prevent late fees for dues received after January 31, 2019.

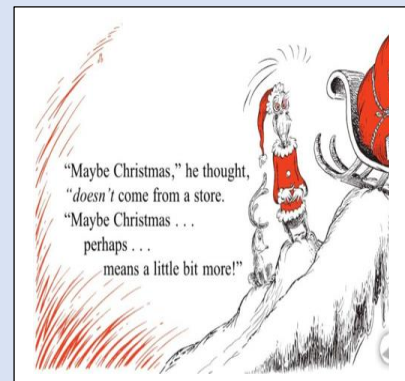
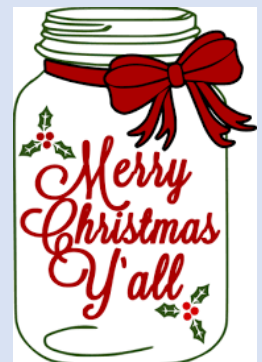
Chapter Treasurers please send the following:

- 1) International Dues and H-138 Payment Record form to Headquarters.
- 2) State Dues and a copy of the H-138 Payment Record form to State Treasurer Terri Thompson
- 3) District Dues to the District Treasurer
- 4) Courtesy/Hospitality fees to State Treasurer Terri Thompson
- 5) Scholarship fees to VP for Scholarship Crissie Single

The **MONEY JAR** is waiting for your **GIFTS OF DUES**

Your state treasurer sends many wishes for a very

MERRY HOLIDAY SEASON and **A HEALTHY, PROSPEROUS 2019.**



Prayers and concerns

Barbara Ham—kidney issue/ Chrystal Washington—illness/Wanda Wright-health/Eleanor Lenney-surgery/ Judy O'Steen-health/Mary Murphy-health/Karen Poole-needs kidney/Bonnie Phipps—stroke/Mary Lou Goehring—broken knee cap/Pat Mosley—health/Marie Woodward-knee replacement/Barbara Kimberly-knee surgery/Libby Hambrick-shingles Stephanie Bennett-health/ Louise Fallus—hip replacement/Lisa Tilley-health/Wanda Williams Walker/Hazel Burger—chemo/ Debra Hodge—dialysis/Karen Poole-kidney replacement/Pat Major—knee replacement/Phyllis Caffey/Barbara Patterson—knee surgery/Anne Moxley—stomach surgery/Janice Aiken-heart/Jayne Mouchet—cataracts/Dianne Goldsberry-health/Janet Siegler-health/Barbara May-health/Lysanne Wade-knee replacement/Mary Walker/Merri Burgess-knee surgery/Ellen Harris-nerve stimulation/Karen Kinsaul-knee replacement/Merita Ott-health/Celeste Smith-health/Marialice Tatom-health

SYMPATHY

Suzi Bonifay (Albany District Co-Chairman) loss of mother



OMEGA

SISTERS

Becky Bennett (Beta Rho)

Nov 3

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

***JULIE WOLF (GAMMA EPSILON) EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER OF GEORGIA'S HEALTH
OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA***

MOLLY MURPHY (GAMMA EPSILON) TOTY OF FAYETTEVILLE ELEMENTARY

JULIA HOUSTON (ALPHA DELTA) ELECTED CHATTOOGA CO SCHOOL BOARD

JENNIFER LEWIS (GAMMA KAPPA) MEDIA SPECIALIST OF THE YEAR

BARBARA SONNIER (BETA LAMBDA) GRANDSON RHETT BORN

ALLISON INGRAM (PHI) WILDCAT TEACHER OF THE MONTH DUNWOODY HIGH SCHOOL

VICKIE LEWIS (ALPHA OMICRON) SILVER SISTER

MELISSA HOFFMAN (ALPHA EPSILON) SILVER SISTER

CATHY BLANTON (DELTA) SILVER SISTER

FIDELIS NU DONATED \$2000 TO THE CLARKE CO FOUNDATION FOR EXCELLENCE