# The Mason Jar Minute



**APRIL**—Ladies, we are sailing through uncharted waters. Know your Executive Board has met using "ZOOM" and discussed rescheduling a one-day conference at the Anderson Center—no pageantry or exotic location, as we continue the work of Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa. We know we will include but not be limited to items like our web site, honoring our scholarship recipients and our Omega sisters, and installing the 2020-2022 officers. More details in May. We will be suspending the 9 meeting requirement for those who couldn't meet for Cornucopia as long as you send minutes stating why you couldn't meet. Remember today is the last day for minutes/newsletters for Cornucopia! Hopefully all will be well and life will go on. Remember to always be humble and kind-Debbie

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# **MONEY TALK** with Terri Thompson, \$tate Trea\$urer

With the arrival of your April Money Talk comes wishes from your State Treasurer for news of the defeat of the worldwide illness that is affecting the health and economic status of Alpha Delta Kappa members. Each of you have

been in my thoughts as you have graciously accepted voluntary and mandated confinement. Those of you still educating the children, thank you for teaching remotely. Praises to you grandparents for home schooling – there are reports you are loving it again as the grands teach you new math and how to surf for websites on the computer and iPad.

The economic outlook is still uncertain. With the eradication of the health problem, the economy will stabilize, and the business world will resume activity. Your Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa treasury is safe. The checking and Money Market accounts are No Risk Funds. The Money Market (Georgia's Contingency Fund) earns minimal interest. This interest in compliance with IRS regulations is given to altruism. Georgia's Money Market interest is transferred to the Georgia State Scholarship Fund – Ethel Kerlin Ward Scholarship Fund. The organization operates through a budget. Your officers and allocated budget users are good stewards with budget listings – they know how to shop comparatively. This frugality and member gifts (expenses not reimbursed) keep your treasury healthy.

## **Reminders of the following Deadlines:**

## 2018-2020 Chapter Treasurers –

- 1) If your chapter **initiated any new member(s) in February and/or March**, please send the State Treasurer their name and initiation date. This will help with certifying the number of chapter members for delegate count at State Convention.
- All Reinstated Members send the Reinstatement Form(s) with the check(s) for their State Dues and Courtesy/Hospitality fee (\$11.50) to Terri Thompson, State Treasurer and State Scholarship Assessment Fee (\$4.00) to Crissie Singleton, VP for Scholarships.
- 3) C-1 Annual Chapter Reporting Form & Audit send completed form to State Treasurer Terri Thompson – Due by June 30, 2020. If your chapter received a Tax Year Form 1099 INT for interest earned by the chapter scholarship/savings account, you will use this information to complete a section on the C-1 – under Receipts.
- 4) 990 N IRS Report Deadline to complete online is June 1, 2020 October 15, 2020. Use information from the C-1 to complete the 990 N. Send a copy of the confirmation that it was completed online to State Treasurer Terri Thompson by October 15, 2020.

**2018-2020 District Treasurers-- By June 30, 2019 complete the D-1 report form and send to State Treasurer.** District Funds are reported with the State IRS report. Keep a copy for your records – April Showers and Sunshine bring



### How can you use Fraternity Education while home bound?

I know that we all are having a bad time with the restrictions placed upon us regarding the Coronavirus, but you can develop some games for the sisters in your chapters. You can send out a weekly or biweekly eblast to assist your sisters in maintaining their sanity during this time. There are some materials related to Fraternity Education. There are some games online on the website that you could use or you could develop your own. You could also encourage them to help you by developing some materials for your chapter. In the materials online you will find some Easter materials that you can adapt to individual learning by emailing files to your group.

Please make sure that all of you are following the CDC Guidelines in order to protect yourself and your family members from all of the health risks that are happening at the moment. I know that this is a scary time but just be sure to wash your hands frequently. I also saw a great idea for protecting your hands while going about your daily tasks. Take some quart size baggies in your purse and use it on your hands for pumping gas and opening doors, etc. if you find other ideas share with your chapters.

Stay safe and hope to see you soon.

Pam Parmer

Fraternity Education Chair



# THINGS TO COME!!! Norma Rushing, President-Elect GA A $\Delta$ K Conference Day

As everyone knows, we had to cancel our Georgia  $A \Delta K$  State Convention at Jekyll Island. We all were looking forward to a weekend at the beach and our Golden Isles Sisters had great plans for us.

We will not be having a State Convention this year, but we will be having a Conference Day on September 19 at the Anderson Center in Macon. Golden Isles District will be our hostess for the day. I will be contacting the chapters. I didn't want their good work to go to waste.

On the 19<sup>th</sup>, we will have all those wonderful items you have gathered for Ways and Means to buy a chance to get. In the morning session, we will be recognizing the District Chairmen and Chapter Presidents for the 2018-2020 biennium, hearing the state treasurer's report, and hearing reports from some of the other committees. Debbie and her team will have a time to shine. In the afternoon session, Sara Ratliff will lead us in the Omega Service, Gulf Region IVP Terry Peyton will install the officers for the 2020-2022 biennium, I will give a "short" goals speech, and we will have the announcement of the Ways and Means winners. This will be a good day to wrap up the 2018-20 biennium and welcome the new biennium. It won't be the same as being at Jekyll, but it will be a time to meet and greet sisters and buy a chance on items that you cannot do without.

Registration Forms will be sent out mid-June. The first 12 tables for Ways and Means were assigned with registration to the Jekyll Convention. I will keep that order for the assignment of tables, but you will need to pay for the table again since I am refunding the previous money. I am slowly refunding money. The convention center has not refunded our deposit and I ran out of checks. Hopefully before the  $15^{th}$  I will have all the money and the checks refunded.

Let's get excited and have a GREAT!!! One Day Conference. Georgia is playing Alabama on that day in Alabama. We will be sure to keep you updated on the score and be sure you set your recorder before you leave home.

If you have not cancelled your hotel reservation at the Days Inn on Jekyll Island, please do so immediately. The Westin automatically cancelled all reservations and I have been told that they are closed during the month of April. Also be sure to cancel the Hampton Inn Reservations.

## Cancelled:

The 2020-2022 Chapter Presidents and District Chairmen meeting scheduled for June 12 has been cancelled. Different times call for different methods. The training is going to be done by video downloaded from the Georgia Website. When the 2020-22 Executive Board meets for a retreat and planning, the officers are going to do the video. Our new biennium communications chairman, Dawn Hudson will be filming the video. After it is downloaded to the website, I will give you a window of time to view the training. I am not up on the latest technology, but I understand there is a way for you to let me know you have viewed it. We have discussed for a few biennia how to do officer training more effectively and the present crisis has pushed us maybe screaming into the digital method of training. Presidents, you might invite your officers to view their sections and then when we have officer training in the fall, they will have more in depth training, but they will know the questions to ask.

## Dates to Remember

June 29 - July 1: Gulf Regional Conference - San Juan, Puerto Rico

July 9-10:	2020-2022 Executive Board Retreat & Planning in Atlanta
August 22:	Heart of Georgia Officer Training
Sept. 18:	Executive Board Meeting - Anderson Center
Sept. 19:	GA Alpha Delta Kappa One Day Conference - Anderson Center
Sept: 26:	Augusta District Fall Meeting
Oct. 3:	Dalton District Fall Meeting
Oct. 10:	Columbus District Fall Meeting
Oct. 17:	Athens District Fall Meeting
Oct. 24:	Tri-District Fall Meeting
Spring 2021	
March 13:	Columbus District Spring Meeting
	Gulf Region Conference

# Officer Training and other Fun & Informational Sessions

June 29- July 1, 2020



its coffee made from the arabica cherry.

Register by going to the Alpha Delta Kappa website

Select Meetings

Then Select Regional Conferences

Gulf Regional. The Breeze will appear

Click Menu in top right corner and conference and registration will be items to select



GULF REGIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE CARIBE HILTON.....SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO JUN 29—JUL 1, 2020

# Due GA 104, GA 105 and H 107 by May 1, 2020.

The GA 104 and 105 should be sent to:

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Your District Chairman

**Chapter Presidents** complete the GA 104. Since your meetings have been cancelled, I would suggest that you vote on your officers for 2020-22 by email. They can be installed formally at a later time. New officers begin their duties on June 1. The old treasurer will complete the C1 and 990N for 2019-20.

**District Chairmen** complete the GA 105. Send it to those listed above. This report is the names and information for District Officers for 2020-22.

**Chapter Presidents** complete the H 107 and submit it to Alpha Delta Kappa Headquarters. The form is on the International website under documents and forms, then chapters. You will receive a verification that you have submitted the form. Please forward the verification to those sisters listed above.

Debbie Clark has attached the GA 104 and 105 to the Mason Jar.



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## WORLD UNDERSTANDING



Emancipation Day (Día de la Abolición de Esclavitud)

Emancipation Day looks back to the day in 1873 when, while still under Spanish rule, slavery was officially abolished throughout the island. Nonetheless, "freed" slaves were forced to work three more years for their former masters to reimburse them for the loss of their "property". In addition, slave owners were given money by the government to compensate them for their loss.

But even though it took a little longer for slavery to fully and truly end in Puerto Rico, it's the date of the passing of the anti-slavery law on 22 March 1873 that's the basis of the holiday's date.

For Emancipation Day, Puerto Ricans throw colorful, boisterous parties, fill themselves with traditional cuisine, and remember the history of slavery in Puerto Rico and how it was abolished.------

Most of the holidays in Puerto Rico are religious holidays and most Puerto Ricans are thought to be more religious than other nationalities. The Easter processions in San Juan are very popular and the streets around the cathedral in the old town are packed with worshippers on Good Friday.

When Palm Sunday arrives so does Holy Week. At churches throughout the island, you will see people carrying about palm branches, as did the crowds who welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem some 2,000 years ago. Interestingly, the palm branches are later burned and the ashes saved for Ash Wednesday next year.

Good Friday is the most solemn day of the year in Puerto Rico. Christians believe that it is the day on which Christ shed his blood on the cross for sinners, and many attend church on this day to hear of his death and its significance. On Holy Saturday, many will attend midnight masses to await Easter Morning, and services are also held on Easter Day.



Ms. Mf ΑΔK

Dear Ms. M J A∆K,

How do we vote for the state budget and other important items during this time?

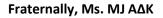
**Corona Virus Concerned President** 

Dear Corona Virus Concerned President,

Each chapter has an allotted amount of delegates according to the number of members. Your state president is going to send each chapter president a packet of information that should be forwarded to the delegates. On April the 18<sup>th</sup> the state delegates will vote on these items (budget, bylaws, policies and procedures, officers). Ballots will also be sent to the president to be forwarded to the delegates. After voting they will send the ballot to the "voting committee" (Debbie Clark, Norma Rushing, Pippy Rogers and Melissa Blankenship).

Votes will be tallied and results will be sent by April the 18<sup>th</sup> to each chapter. Georgia will have all of our business conducted. State Officers of 2020-22 will assume their duties on June 1. In September at our Celebratory Conference, Scholarships and Awards will be given, our Omega sisters will be honored, and our 2020-2022 officers will be installed.

I hope this answers your question and gives you some confidence that your state executive board is working on these issues.







Albany District-Barbara Ham scholarship recipient



Audrey Brown will become a Diamond Sister on April 6.

# THE LONGEST DAY alzheimer's & association

Join the GEORGIA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA Team

(Click above to Join  $\odot$ )

As A∆K Global Partners, your sisters all across Georgia are participating in The Longest Day<sup>®</sup> to honor those facing Alzheimer's. We are doing our part to #ENDALZ! —WE need you on our team!

June 20<sup>th</sup>, THE DAY WITH THE MOST LIGHT IS THE DAY WE FIGHT is The Longest Day (Summer Solstice) theme. But we can FIGHT any day with our sisters, chapters, families, friends and teams, to raise funds for the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. Need some ideas for your activities? Checkout what people are doing at: <u>https://tldcommunity.alz.org/communityhome</u>

You will also have the opportunity to sign up at our GA State Convention!

Together, we can #ENDALZ !

Hugs,

**Pippy Rogers** 

For them Alt One girl with hope is a start... One girl with **healing** is a victory... One girl with freedom is a revolution! HouseofHopeRefugeofLove.com (912)580-7801 PO Box 21283, St. Simons Island, GA 31522 STATE ALTURISM PROJECT

## MARCH DISTRICT MEETINGS





ATLANTA DISTRICT



Alpha Atlanta District

Atlanta District







Alpha Nu Decorating at Riverwood Senior Living



I won Alpha Phi's St. Patrick's Day Basket



## 2019-20 Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Membership Campaign

June 1, 2019 through April 1, 2020 Our Georgia Membership Campaign is developed not only to increase membership throughout Georgia, but to encourage present and new members to attend Conventions and Conferences.

# Winners to be announced at State Celebration Conference!

Our amazing GA LEADERS and SISTERS have really stepped up to the challenge with our Membership Campaign! Congratulations to all the chapters who were able to INITIATE via Zoom and other such technology since you were not able to meet in person. I do believe many of us have been on a FUN LEARNING CURVE as we have all continued to meet deadlines and do the business of Alpha Delta Kappa.

When you read this I will have sent in our records for Chapter Growth for Cornucopia, I only need information from a few chapters and I have confidence it will come in tonight! Don't forget International Membership Campaign ends April 30. Thank you to everyone who has updated your Chapter Roster on the International Website. This will be a great help as we move into the 2020-2022 Biennium.

Our sisters are truly blessed to have each other during these difficult days we have been faced with. We have a large membership, but when we each make one or two contacts a day we are helping to brighten the days for each other!

Love to all... I pray for each of us daily as we slow down and smell the beautiful spring flowers.

Debbie Boswell GA VP Membership



SUSAN BARSH Xi March 6. 2020

MILDRED WHITTAKER Beta Psi

JAYNE MOUCHET ALPHA TAU March 16, 2020

Emy Mitchem Alpha Eta Mar 23, 2030

## Sympathy

Kitty Smith (Alpha Pi) death of mother

Carolyn Kelly (Alpha Iota) death of husband

## PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Chrystal Washington—illness/Eleanor Lenney-surgery/ Judy O'Steen-health/Mary Murphy-health/Karen Poole-kidney transplant/Pat Mosley—health /Nancy Fraga-health/Janice Henderson-health/Jeannine Goethe-health/Janice Powellhealth/Gina Barnes-health /Jane Grobowsky-health/Pat Major-health/ Stephanie Bennett-health/Connie Green-surgery /Wanda Williams Walker/Hazel Burger—chemo/ Debra Hodge—dialysis/Janice Aiken-heart/ Dianne Goldsberry-health /Barbara May-health/Mary Walker/Ellen Harris-nerve stimulation /Donna Duke-eyes injections/Catherine Slaughter-health, Leesa Leverett-surgery/Denise Dorsey-health/Jane Weldysurgery/Debbie Sasser-surgery/Janet Peacock-health /Annelle Carden-health/Sandra Myland-health/Ruth Parten-health/Joan Sewell-ill /Tonya Cone-stroke/Wanda Patterson-pacemaker/Julia Kidd-health/Bonnie Phippshealth/Lisa Fore-health/Elizabeth Ware-stroke /Babs McAlister-health/Wanda Franklin-Achilles tendon/Janice Powellhealth/Cheryl Carter-health/Lauren Hemerka-radiation therapy /Fifi Chapman-surgery/Myra Belote-hip replacement/Janet Seigler-health/Mary Buck-chemo/Linda Coley-stroke /Sharon Rorex-knee surgery/Ann Waterhousefalling/ Debbie Basset-surger /Norma Rushing—health/Francis Morgan-health/Linda Sumpter-health/Barbara Broadwayhealth/ Kim Smith-health/ Ellen Harris-knee surgery/Diane Stone-knee surgery/Pam Smith-health/Ruth Sandersstroke/Susan Smith-health/Freda Doster-health/Margaret Wiggins-broken arm/Mary Yeomans-knee surgery/Helen Clark-surgery/Heather Singh-health/Joy McCown-health

# CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

STACY BLOCKER (ALPHA BETA) WON A BULLOCH CO GRANT FOR HER LIBRARY AT LANGSTON CHAPEL ELEMENTARY

MARILYN ELLIS (GAMMA EPSILON) STAR TEACHER AT SANDY CREEK HS

## **OVEGA**