



BY DEBBIE BOSWELL

ALL schools are now in session and the beginning of another exciting year for students and our dedicated school employees is well under way! I think the picture below says it all...such excitement in the little faces!

I thought about GA Alpha Delta Kappa and how we are similar to GOING BACK TO SCHOOL. We too will soon have finalized our FIRST EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING of the new biennium. Plans made at these meetings will be shared, voted on and put into place. Every year is a new beginning. We will hopefully MEET NEW PEOPLE as we reinstate or initiate new sisters.

Although there is much to look forward to this biennium, I hope that you will take the time to look back and celebrate the great accomplishments made during the past biennium. There were many celebrations and you made them possible.

We will miss those sisters who are no longer with us for various reasons. Reach out to those who may be able to reinstate. We never know what a telephone call with an invitation to visit us again may mean to others and to our chapters.

Thank you to each of our HOST Districts for making arrangements for our President and VP for Membership Summer training sessions. They were all well attended, the fellowship was great with lots of sharing and the food was delicious! Our ZOOM session was successful and I feel sure we will be at 100% attendance once we have our final zoom session. Many thanks to Suzi Bonifay and Terri Thompson for their terrific leadership in preparing and presenting at these sessions. They also make excellent traveling buddies!

May each of you enjoy the last few days of summer and think about how YOU will support a sister who is still in the classroom, a sister who needs a phone call or possibly how you can volunteer to help a child in need. YOU can make a difference and be a LEADER for Alpha Delta Kappa! Love to all, Debbie



Welcome to the *Voices* of Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters



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Tribute to Melba Priestly

Georgia State President, 1984-86

International President, 1995-97

There are no words that will do justice to the leader that Melba Priestly was or the legacy she has left to our organization. However, here are some random thoughts and comments from sisters. When we think of Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa, we think of Melba. What will we ever do without Melba? She was ... one of a kind, an educator, wise, an inspiration, respected, devoted, a leader, a task-master, special, an encourager, helpful, loving, a role model, thoughtful, a friend, a mentor, involved, direct, an advocate, passionate, a queen and always a champion for Alpha Delta Kappa. She enriched our organization at the chapter, district, state and international levels--pushing for innovation and change while keeping the traditions and values that make us unique. While many had a special connection and knew Melba well, we are all better for having known her.

Our Melba was loved and will be missed.
We will, however, fulfill her marching orders by making Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa shine for years to come.



GRAND President advice given to June Carpenter of AL in 1996 to Past International President advice given to International President Mollie Acosta in July 2022 at Gulf Region Conference!



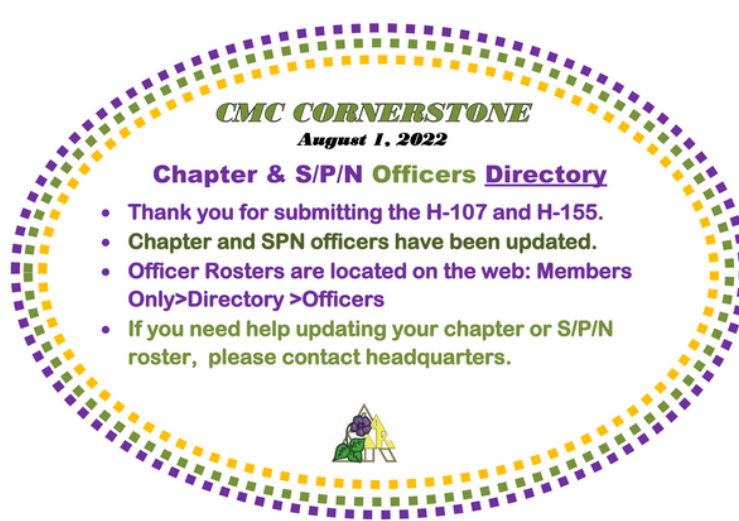
LATEST on the LONGEST DAY from Pippy!

Our GA Alpha Delta Kappa Team is Rocking and Rolling! As of July 31st we've raised \$ **20,024**. We are currently the #2 team with South Carolina at #1. AΔK International Global Partnership is inching towards our Million Dollar Total beginning 2016. Overall, to reach our Million we still need more than \$5,000. We all have until August 31st to get all our donations turned in. I THINK WE CAN GET TO OUR GOAL and celebrate for AΔK 75th Anniversary! Very Good Very Good YEA!!!



Mailing in checks for donations? Call me first for the fastest method!





CURRENT INFORMATION
Chapter membership chairman and
chapter president work together to
confirm this information.

UPDATE

VP for Membership Suzi Bonifay

It was wonderful seeing many of you at Gulf Region Conference and during our trek across Georgia in officer training sessions. Georgia AΔK sisters are the best! Here is your punch list for preparing for the Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA) due October 15 and for all things related to membership. These steps complement the email I sent to CPs and CMCs. If you didn't receive one, let me know. Let's be 100% on the CNA before the 15th.

- Chapter Ex Bd meets to draft chapter goals for the coming year (see the Guidance Document/cheat sheet of sample SMART goals sent to each of you after training). Review the membership eligibility document, craft a membership plan and be ready to invite new and reinstated members to join in AΔK fun, fellowship, service, education and world understanding.
- Share proposed goals and plans with chapter members and finalize those by the September meeting. Remember to have members update Directory information on the Intl. website at your first meeting and review the Cornerstone at each meeting.
- Review the Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA) sample on the Intl. website & craft responses for all questions.
- Have the membership chairman/VPM log on and complete the CNA prior to October 15.

And last but not least, remember that membership is the responsibility of every chapter member and our mantra for the year is *Each One, Reach One!* We can't wait to start receiving notices about new members as we are definitely ready to change our theme song about membership from *Do You Believe in Magic* to *We Are the Champions* or *Ain't No Stopping Us Now*. Make your chapter so filled with awesome programs, hands-on activities, leadership opportunities, service project involvement and warm welcomes that educators will be clamoring to join. Help make Melba proud!

Meet your 2022-2024 State Committee Chairmen



**Barbie Whitley, Alpha
Delta Kappa Month**



**Susie Dailey,
Altruism**



**Melissa Hoffman,
Bylaws**



**Melissa Blankenship,
Budget & Finance**



**Sheila Miller,
Candidate Qualifications**



**Judy Slaton,
Cornucopia**



**Janet Robison,
Courtesy/Hospitality**



**Lea Mazzucco,
Disaster Relief**



**Freda Doster,
Excellence in Education**



**Diane Phillips,
Fraternity Ed.**



**Cathy Limmer,
Music**



**Linda Chambers,
Parliamentarian**



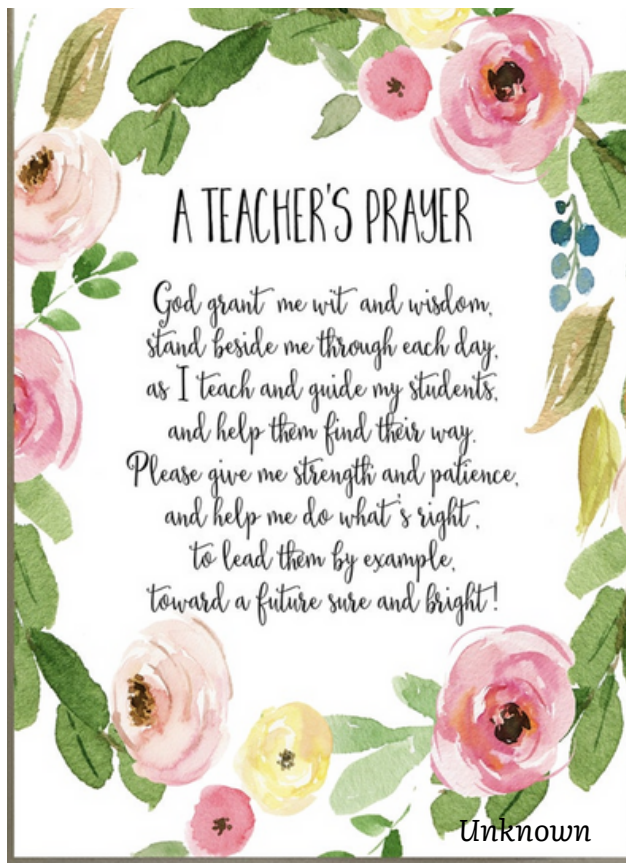
**Dawn Hudson,
Telecommunications**



**Ruth Rennick,
World Understanding**



**Lori Carnine,
Albany District Chairman
omitted in August news**



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Sisters & Prayers



MELBA PRIESTLEY FAMILY

AUDREY BROWN HEALTH

PAT CARR HEALTH

ROSE MARY KOLPATZKI HEALTH

LISA TILLEY KNEE REPLACEMENT

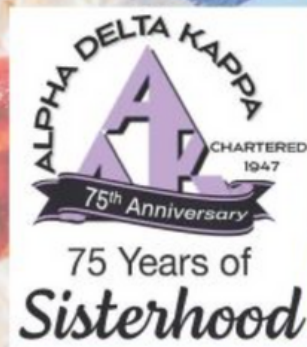
CARLENE DUNN KNEE SURGERY

TERRI THOMPSON HAND SURGERY

SUZI BONIFAY MBC

Happy 75th Anniversary to Us!

This Saturday, August 13, AΔK turns 75. Three-quarters of a century of sisterhood is something to celebrate! Share the fun by submitting photos of yourself or your chapter wishing AΔK a happy anniversary to the *KAPPAN*. Find the *KAPPAN* submission form on the International website at About > Publications > Submit to the *KAPPAN*.



What a great time of learning we had last biennium as we met and got to know our ITE students. I hope you will take a few moments to read about our NEW ITE students shown below. Ruth Rennick, our World Understanding Chairman will share more about these ladies in the months ahead. Wouldn't it be great to introduce these ladies to a bit of SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY! I am sure they would enjoy receiving a card from each of our chapters welcoming them to our country and organization.

Meet the 2022-2023 AΔK-ITE Scholars



Anukriti Jain
Massachusetts
Institute of Technology
India



(Darmini) Ni Komang
Darmini
Ohio State University
Indonesia



Janett Perv
University of
Minnesota Duluth
Estonia



Ambika Putri
Perdani
Georgetown
University
Indonesia



Nesrin El-Isa
University
of Washington
Austria



Sonchat Srimahachota
(Dona)
University
of Washington
Thailand



Vafa Alakbarova
University of Massachusetts
Amherst
Azerbaijan

Application Open Until August 31

Has your chapter created an outstanding program to promote the involvement and attendance of members while attracting the attention of prospective members through creativity and uniqueness? Find the form to submit your program on the International website at Foundation > Awards, Grants & Scholarships > Distinguished Program Awards.



DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST 31- DISTINGUISHED PROGRAM AWARD DEADLINE

SEPTEMBER 1- LEADERSHIP ACADEMY APPLICATIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS AND MENTORS DEADLINE

SEPTEMBER 15- CLASSROOM GRANT (SEE BELOW)

OCTOBER- ALPHA DELTA KAPPA MONTH

OCTOBER 1- INTERNATIONAL OFFICER APPLICATIONS DUE

OCTOBER 15 - CHAPTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT DUE- SUBMIT ONLINE

OCTOBER 15 - 990-N E-POSTCARD DEADLINE

OCTOBER 15 - REGIONAL MINI-SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

CLASSROOM TEACHERS

It is not too late to apply for one of seven Classroom Grants available to our Gulf Region!



Apply for an AΔK Classroom Grant!

Apply to receive one of the seven \$400 grants per region.

Application opens on July 15, 2022 and closes at 11:59 p.m. CDT on September 15, 2022.

Apply at alphadeltakappa.org (Foundation > Awards, Grants & Scholarships > Classroom Grant).