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Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Newsletter



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

BY DEBBIE BOSWELL



Every season of the year brings joy, renewal and excitement. The fall season is even more special as our classroom teachers, administrators and school personnel seem to have quickly settled into a routine. We hear about our children being so far behind, yet know our teachers are doing all they can to close this gap. YOU are appreciated and we are here to help when possible. THANK YOU for continuing to do what you do best in the name of Alpha Delta Kappa.

We are getting back to being able to socialize, visit with family and friends and yes...for many of us reconnect IN PERSON with our A $\Delta$ K family! Your minutes and newsletters reflect such tremendous enthusiasm and thoughtful planning. Plans for District Meetings are well under way. I am looking forward to reading about all the successful A $\Delta$ K Month and Founder's Day activities in October. Be sure to send your report and pictures to Barbi Whitley, our State A $\Delta$ K Month Chairman.

**Engaging Members is KEY to RETAINING and GAINING Members.** The programs you have planned certainly seem to be ones that will engage our membership. Thank you for going the extra mile to ensure that we will RETAIN, RECRUIT and REINSTATE members this first year of the 2022-2024 Biennium. It takes a team effort on the part of every chapter member to be successful. Your Chapter Officers, District Chairman, Executive Board/Advisory Council are ALL part of your team and are here to help. They have all worked hard to get us off to a great start!

Speaking of TEAMS. Baseball is great, but I love fall bringing on FOOTBALL season! YES, many of you are GEORGIA FANS, but let's not forget our other teams during this fun season. Regardless of who you pull for or what sport you may enjoy, lets all have fun and make memories with each other. **GO TEAMS!** 

October is also a fun, busy month for  $A\Delta K$  ... please continue to read your Connect and Updates from International. If for some reason you are not recieving these please let me know. Suzi Bonifay VP for Membership and I will help you get signed up again. International is working hard to keep us informed and connected. HAPPY FALL!





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# Tributes to SWEET Audrey Brown

# Georgia Past State President 1988-1990 Alpha Delta, Dalton District

Our sweet sister, Audrey Brown, joined the Omega Chapter Sunday August 21. As a long-time Georgia member and Past State President, Audrey Brown leaves a legacy. Here are thoughts and comments from those who knew her best:

I always looked forward to seeing Audrey and admiring her jewelry and what some would call WILD OUTFITS! She was a lady ahead of the fashions for sure! She was her own person, always dressed to the nines and loved bright colors. I think the bright colors brought her so much joy and she shared her love of life and Alpha Delta Kappa with every one she met.

We will miss her encouraging words, her sweet smile, and her leadership, of which we have been privileged to have. She has been my friend for a long time. I will miss her laughs and hugs. She was a wonderful role model and sister. She encouraged and supported me.

Precious friend and sister, she was a wonderful example. We will miss sweet Audrey. Our Past State Presidents' luncheon at convention in April will be forever a special one. Audrey always had a smile on her face, love for everyone and words of encouragement. She was mentioned at our lota chapter meeting just Saturday. I was fortunate enough to serve as her page at the GA State Convention in Athens. She was a perk of attending Dalton District meetings, such a sweet lady.

Audrey was my friend as well as my sister. She will truly be missed. So thankful we had time together in April at Callaway Gardens. Precious lady! Loved the few times I got to spend with her.

Audrey was the chairman of The Woman of Distinction committee. I remember her biennium with its magic theme. During the biennium, Audrey always had her magic wand, magician's top hat, and cape ready for any appearance she made. She was truly a magical sister and I will miss her and her happy outlook on life. She was a fine example of all that is good about Alpha Delta Kappa sisters!

> GEORGIA SISTERS WILL ALWAYS HAVE a SPECIAL SPOT in our HEARTS for AUDREY. Condolences to her Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa sisters and most especially to her ALPHA DELTA and Dalton District Sisters.

# **SWEET AUDREY MEMORIES**



Diamond Sister!



# Audrey's State Theme!



Chapter Presidents Celebrating with Audrey





2022 State Convention



Sisters celebrating special times!



Memories of Special Chapter Events and Sisters.

### **Good News from the Treasurer**

By Lisa Tilley <u>tilleylisa@bellsouth.net</u>

Exciting changes are being made at the International level in terms of how we pay dues. Soon, individuals will have the ability to pay their International dues via the Alpha Delta Kappa website. Also, chapter treasurers will be able to link chapter accounts to PayPal and pay chapter fees electronically, as well.

More information will be coming to your individual email accounts beginning September 6.

On another note, Chapter Treasurers, please remember to send me a copy of your 990-N e-postcard by October 15. Many thanks to those who have already done so.



# **Membership Matters**

by Suzi Bonifay, <u>sbonifay72@att.net</u>

Thank you to all Membership chairmen and VPMS for your attendance at trainings, your emails and the many questions you've asked. Here are a few reminders for September:

- The CNA is due by October 15. So far, six out of sixty-six have been submitted. I know I can count on each of you to help Georgia be 100% before the deadline.
- Reminder that the CNA counts for a pearl.
- Review attachments and guidance for completing the CNA were sent to you via email.

I hope that if you have not crafted a membership development plan, that you begin discussing prospective members and potential reinstatements early in the biennium. Along with the CNA here are a few other tasks to complete:

- Have all members logon to the directory to update emails, addresses and phone numbers or print a copy and have member's review at your first meeting. The CP, VPM and Treasurer can update files. Encourage use of personal rather than school email addresses.
- Share the Cornerstone displayed above in the Treasurer section at your next meeting.
- Remember to complete the GA 101 by October 1 and send to the SP, SPE and your District Chairman. Plan programs and activities that will be a magnet for new members.

And, as always, reach out with any questions you may have. My job is to help you and make your job easier.

#### **ALTRUISM UPDATE!**

#### There may be changes coming but as of now

#### "Keep on Keepin' On"!

Continue to record monetary gifts (including scholarship donations), the value of donated items and service hours. Service hours are to be done in the name of Alpha Delta Kappa.

The reporting dates remain the same, April to March.

Most of you have a form that your members use to report their altruistic activities. If your chapter has one that is simple and works well I would love you to send it to me.

#### SDAILEY002@EPBFI.COM

When I receive more direction from our State President, Debbie Boswell and Gulf Region Altruistic Chair, Debby Stubing, I will let you know.

> All the best, Susie Dailey Altruism Chairman

#### **Historian UPDATE!**

Hope everyone has had a great start to the new Biennium and the new school year is off to a great start. As you have your first meeting, take a minute and get a picture of your new officers. Please send it to Mary Lou Goehring at marylouadk@gmail.com.

Please include the officers name and title. All pictures you take and want in the state archives book please send to me.

I will need pictures from both Chapter and District historians. An information packet of what you need in your books for your Presidents and District Chairman will be posted on the website. Together we can preserve our many fun memories this biennium!



#### Instructions for Secretaries to upload minutes and Chapter Presidents to upload newsletters

Some of you were able to upload your minutes last year through our state website and that same process will continue. If you did not have an opportunity, you or a designee will be able to do so this year with easy-to-follow instructions on the website at this link: <u>https://gaalphadeltakappa.org/form-chapter-minutes-submission/</u>. There is even a video to show you how to upload the minutes if you find that more helpful: <u>https://youtu.be/aYNiuYGe3ws</u>



Similarly, this year there is an opportunity for the Chapter President to upload a copy of the newsletter through the state website. Instructions can be found online where the newsletter is submitted here:

https://forms.gle/WUpKkJGVBbEU42Y96

Remember, you can have a designee do this for you. All file types are accepted including Word files, PDF, or photo files such as JPG or PNG.

Thanks for your support of our growing technology this biennium! Dawn Hudson, Telecommunications Chair

### Fall is fast approaching and with October comes Alpha Delta Kappa Month!!

Sisters, as our time approaches for Alpha Delta Kappa Month, I am so very thankful to be associated with loving, kind and generous women who work together, even against many odds, to accomplish their goals. Chapters make a difference through service to others, not only in our home community, but surrounding ones as well. Alpha Delta Kappa Month is a special time to do just that!

I am looking forward to "magical" things happening throughout our state for Alpha Delta Kappa Month in October as you spread word and deed about our wonderful organization. As you plan to report on your AΔK month activities, please include photos and try to place them all on one page. It definitely helps with printing and space in "the book." Also include chapter name, activity and sister's names of those in photos.

Thank you in advance chapter presidents, for helping me get vital information about your chapter or representative. It becomes SO important for reporting purposes. Suggestions for "things to do" can be found on the Georgia and International website. Don't forget to include any activity or program you have for Founders Day as well.

#### Please send photographs of your Alpha Delta Kappa Month activities to:



Barbie Whitley Ga Alpha Delta Kappa Month Committee Chairman Whitley219@att.net

Our State Historian, Mary Lou Goehring has asked that you forward any pictures you would like to have in the State Archives book as well to her at: atlantaadk@gmail.com

If you email your photos, please note the names of the persons in the photo and the activity which is taking place. If you include an email address when you send your report, a confirmation of receipt and the date received will be sent. Remember your report/form is due on or before December 1, 2022. This form will be on the Georgia Website and will be sent to you via email by the first of October.

Wishing you the very best year ever celebrating Alpha Delta Kappa MONTH!

Barbie

# Love

is the key that opens the heart

hope

is the dream that awakens the soul

peace

is the light that guides the way

faith

is the certainty that sees us through

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Contact Debbie Boswell and Robin Dudley when you hear one of our sisters joins the Omega Chapter or needs love and prayer.

We would love to hear from you about SISTER CELEBRATIONS ! This is the time of year for Teachers Of The Year as well! The only way for us to know of your Joys and Concerns is for you to let Robin or Debbie know about them! And lets not forget when those precious little ones join our families! Pictures are always welcome! GEORGIA CHAPLAIN ROBIN DUDLEY rsdudley@bellsouth.net

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MELBA PRIESTLEY FAMILY AUDREY BROWN FAMILY EDELL RABURN FAMILY ELLEN PARTRIDGE FAMILY PAT CARR HEALTH Rose Mary Kolpatzki Health CARLENE DUNN HEALTH MARLENE KESLER AND HUSBAND SURGERY MARY LOU GOEHRING INJURY Mary Jo Dukes Health TERRI DOLLAR HEALTH VALORIE COLSON HEALTH SUZI BONIFAY MBC & SISTER'S STROKE BARBIE WHITLEY FAMILY HEALTH SHEILA MILLER'S HUSBAND, HEALTH PAULA DEBLIN, MOM'S HEALTH

## DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 15- CLASSROOM GRANT (SEE BELOW) SEPT 15 -EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM PROPOSALS DEADLINE SEPT 20 S/P.N- MEMBERSHIP CONSULTANT CNA CHECKLIST TO RMC DEADLINE OCTOBER - ALPHA DELTA KAPPA MONTH OCTOBER 1- INTERNATIONAL OFFICER APPLICATIONS DUE OCTOBER 1- KAPPAN SUBMISSIONS DEADLINE (DECEMBER PUBLICATIONS) OCTOBER 15 - CHAPTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT DEADLINE - SUBMIT ONLINE OCTOBER 15 - 990-N E-POSTCARD DEADLINE OCTOBER 15 - REGIONAL MINI-SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE NOVEMBER 1-APPLICATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICE DEADLINE NOVEMBER 1- APPLICATIONS FOR INTL COMMITTEES/CONVENTION COMMITTEES DEADLINE NOVEMBER 15- INNOVATION GRANT DEADLINE PLEASE CHECK OUT CONNECT FOR MORE INFORMATION!

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

# Apply for an AAK 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).



**JOB WELL DONE!** 

### **5 PEARLS**

### Alpha **Alpha Alpha Alpha Epsilon** Alpha Gamma **Alpha Omicron Beta Alpha Beta delta Beta Kappa Beta Mu Beta Omicron Beta Sigma Beta Theta** Chi **Fidelis Beta Fidelis Lambda Fidelis Xi Gamma Epsilon** Gamma Gamma Kappa Omicron Psi

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### 6 Pearls

**Alpha Beta** Alpha Eta Alpha Mu Alpha Nu Alpha Phi Alpha Sigma **Alpha Tau Alpha Theta Alpha Upsilon Alpha Zeta** Delta **Beta Epsilon Beta Eta Beta Lambda Beta Nu Beta Pi Beta Xi** Delta **Fidelis Alpha** Gamma Gamma Delta Lambda Phi

### 7 Pearls

Alpha Delta Alpha Iota Alpha Rho Beta Beta Beta Chi Beta Gamma Beta Iota Beta Phi Beta Phi Beta Rho Beta Upsilon Iota Sigma Tau

