

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



BY TERRI THOMPSON



Celebrating Alpha Delta Kappa's Heritage  
75 Years of Sisterhood  
"Kansas City Here We Come"

Inspired from the song "Kansas City" music and lyrics by Jerry Lieber and Mike Stoller

April 29, 2023. What is special about this date? It is Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa's FUN Day. It is a day of preparation for the International ~~Convention in Kansas City, Missouri~~, where sisters from all around will celebrate and honor 75 Years of Sisterhood in Alpha Delta Kappa.

Before we pack the SUVs or board a big jet for Kansas City, Georgia sisters unite in purpose and fellowship. FUN Day is a day of entertainment with no formal business. It is a way for the state and chapters to add funds to their scholarships and altruistic projects.

There will be fraternal education, a hands-on C2O Project for the six Georgia Ronald McDonald Houses, a parade of "The Best Dressed Founder", games, photo opportunities, skits, singing, laughter, lunch, and lots of FUN! Our theme for the day will be "Celebrating Alpha Delta Kappa's Heritage – 75 Years of Sisterhood: Kansas City, Here We Come."

In decorating for the event, we will use familiar colors of gold, green and purple. The C2O SERVICE PROJECT will be supplying hard cover journals for the six Ronald McDonald Houses in Georgia. All districts will assist the Altruistic Chairman Susie Dailey with collection of the journals with more details coming at District Meetings.

The hands-on part of FUN Day will be to place a Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa sticker (designed by Susie Dailey's Altruistic committee) in the front, inside cover of the journal and pack into boxes for transport to the six Ronald McDonald Houses in Georgia. Our goal is to collect at least six hundred journals. Knowing the generosity of the Georgia sisters, I am sure we will exceed this number.

I look forward to working with each of you as we prepare to  
"Celebrate ADK's Heritage - 75 Years of Sisterhood: Kansas City Here We Come"!

If you have any questions or need some help, please contact me, Terri Thompson,  
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International Convention is July 13-16, 2023, in Kansas City, Missouri!



## President's Message:

Sisters just think, WE are going to have our 75th ANNIVERSARY in Kansas City in July! We have so much to celebrate! We have our District Meetings, then FUN DAY to kick off "Kansas City Here We Come" and at the convention we will celebrate as a REGION at our GULF REGION luncheon. We can't forget the fun times we always have in the GA Hospitality Suite! Janet Robison, our State Courtesy/Hospitality Chairman, is busy making plans and hopes to continue this special time of gathering...kicking off our shoes, EATING and laughing together. She is looking into an outing, as well. For now, there are only two things you need to do: make your hotel reservations and travel plans. We will receive the registration and more details by February 15. Remember there will be opportunities to take part in this convention from the comfort of your home.

When you begin initiating new sisters, please remember to forward the data entered into the computer to our GA VP for Membership, Suzi Bonifay. Suzi and I want to welcome our new members to GEORGIA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA. We would love to have a picture of the sponsor and the member, if possible. If you do a group initiation please send me a group picture. Just as I am typing this, I received an email from Lynn Wigley..."Alpha Nu has added Andye Moss to our chapter". Congratulations Alpha Nu and thank you Lynn. This information is exactly what we want to have sooner than later! Now I know you too stay up late taking care of Alpha Delta Kappa BUSINESS! Thank you for all you do, Lynn.

More Fun Day information is on it's way! It has been a long time since we have had a FUN DAY IN PERSON! If each one of us will bring ONE FIRST TIMER...can you imagine the FUN we will all have! Our GEORGIA SHIRTS are selling fast. They cost \$30, with a small amount being donated to Ronald McDonald. Of course we'll take anything over the \$30 and donate that, too! We will have sample sizes at each District Meeting for you to see, touch and try on! Terri is hoping we all show up at FUN DAY AND International Convention wearing our shirts!

District Chairmen, I would love to have pictures from your District Meetings sent to me so that I am able to highlight your meeting in our District News.



As each of us SHARE THE LOVE this Valentine Season, let's share our love and kindness with those we come in contact with who may need an extra smile along the way!





Congratulations to  
sponsors Suzi Bonifay and  
Donna Duke who  
nominated Melissa Benton  
and Erin Keith, two Georgia  
Teachers who then received  
one of the  
**2023 INNOVATION  
GRANTS**...hopefully we will  
have both of these girls join  
Alpha Delta Kappa soon!  
I will be able to share  
pictures of their projects  
when they are completed  
and sent in.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
2023 Innovation Grant  
Recipients**

<b>Gulf Region</b> Melissa Benton, GA Erin Keith, GA Illiana Miranda, FL	<b>North Central Region</b> Mara Robertson, IA Alesha Dean, IA Kaitlyn Kriss, MB Hannah Browning, IL Susan Schertz, IL Morgan Eihusen, NE
<b>Northeast Region</b> Lisa Loeb, NJ Melanie Bolles, DE	<b>Northwest Region</b> Kailey Lamping, MT Kaity Colby, MT Cheryl Shryack, WA Danielle Are, AK Jay Million, AK
<b>South Central Region</b> Krista True, KS Lauren Kinzie, MO Kelsey Chandler, KS Lauren Hughes, TX	<b>Southwest Region</b> Daysha Kau, HI Jill Judah, AZ Jewel Mahoe, HI Julia Halualani, CO Felima Hohn, CO Lisa Joaquin, CA Melissa Souders, CA
<b>Southeast Region</b> Hannah Brasher, TN Dayna Clarke, MD Genevieve Bowles, MD Caroline Weaver, VA Mackenzie Flickinger, VA Alexandria Gillis, NC	



# Regional Mini Scholarship

**Assisting AΔK  
members in attending conferences,  
convention, workshops, etc.**

**Up to \$500**

**Spring Applications Due  
April 15th**

Apply here:  
<https://www.alphadeltakappa.org/>





**Apply for a Fine Arts Grant!**

**PURPOSE**  
The Fine Arts Grant(s) will be used to promote study and awareness of the Arts for students. The Arts are defined as dance, music, theater and visual arts. The award may be used to implement activities in one discipline or integrate any or all of the others. Grant projects should focus on individual schools, groups of students in a school district or community organization.

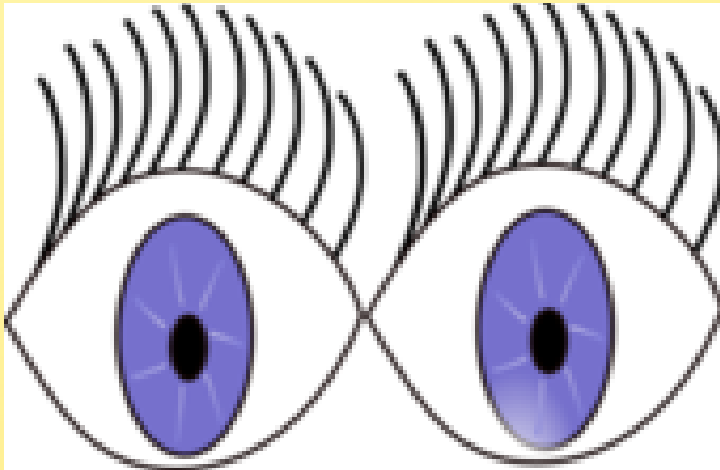
**ELIGIBILITY**  
Available to current\* Alpha Delta Kappa members active in education.  
(\*Current is defined as Alpha Delta Kappa members who have paid their dues prior to the scholarship deadline.) Applicant shall not be a member of the International Executive Board, International Chapter, International scholarship boards or committees, a substantial contributor to the Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation or a relative of any of the aforementioned groups.

**AMOUNT OF AWARD**  
\$10,000 single grant or divided among two or more recipients.

**DEADLINE**  
February 15

Find the application on the International website under Foundation > Awards, Grants, & Scholarships > Fine Arts Grants.

**MORE  
International  
GRANTS to  
Check out!  
Deadline is  
February 15!**



**LOOKING FOR EXTRA SETS OF EYES**

**NEEDED:** Sisters' "Crowd Control" Talents to serve as SERGEANT-AT-ARMS for our GA Alpha Delta Kappa FUN DAY! Just think of all the FUN you will have seeing so many of your sisters and helping them find their tables, scope out the Ways and Means, get their lunch, find the nearest restroom, or even their ride home. Georgia Sisters need YOU!

Sign Up with... Pippy

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Our International Altruistic Goal is to reach a Million Dollars with our Longest Day total Donations... Oh don't faint, not a Million in one year (wouldn't that be something) but a Million since we became Global Partners for the Longest Day in 2016.

Working towards this Goal really gives our GA sisters the opportunity to make The Longest Day fun, plan something as a chapter, invite perspective members to participate, and include family and friends. Just think about all the ways you can share about Alpha Delta Kappa Altruism and our positive impact in our GA communities.

Georgia sisters are already on a roll starting their chapters' Longest Day Teams. Go to the January GA Voices Newsletter to sign up now or make plans with your chapter and find the Link in the February Newsletter.

Thank you for ALL you do for children, Alpha Delta Kappa, Altruism, and joining in the Fight to End Alzheimer's! SEE you at FUN DAY!!!

**JOIN OUR TEAM NOW**

PAGE LINK: [http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=16164&pg=team&team\\_id=782385](http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=16164&pg=team&team_id=782385)



## Membership Update     Suzi Bonifay



During the month of February, nothing says *SHARE THE LOVE* quite like the gift of Alpha Delta Kappa membership. Reach out to educators in your schools and colleges and draw those women into the fold with a Valentine's gift. Your songs for the month are *All You Need is Love*, *Put a Little Love in Your Heart*, *Try a Little Kindness* and *Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now*! Showcase our fun, fellowship, love, scholarships and altruism. Broadcast our heartfelt endeavors from raising monies for ALZ, St. Jude's and Ronald McDonald houses to hosting International Teacher Education students from foreign countries and contributing to projects abroad—not to mention all the things done for local communities. Show those prospective members and potential reinstatements Alpha Delta Kappa love while simultaneously working toward Pearls and Cornucopia. If you need a refresher on how to register a new or reinstated member online, go to the International website and click on membership or reach out to me for a quick review.

Please check your chapter rosters in the Intl Directory for accuracy. We are finding errors where active members should have been changed to Omega or resigned. Also check out the Cornerstone and the newly revised MDM on the AΔK website. If you liked the email attachments sent to help with recruitment, attendance and leadership, check out those sections in the MDM. It's chock full of help for all things related to membership.



Shout out to Delta, Psi, Alpha Nu, Alpha Rho and Beta Pi for initiating new members this biennium.

# AΔK is LOVE

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

February 4 -- Heart of Georgia Spring District Meeting  
February 11 -- Columbus Spring District Meeting  
February 18 -- Albany Spring District Meeting  
March 4 -- Atlanta Spring District Meeting  
March 11 -- Decatur Spring District Meeting  
March 15--Altruistic Report Due to International  
March 15--Bylaws and Guidelines Due to Melissa Hoffman, Bylaws Chairman  
March 18 -- Athens, Augusta & Dalton Spring District Meetings  
March 25 -- Marietta Spring District Meeting  
April 28-29 -- GA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA FUN DAY IN PERSON!  
July 13-16 -- International Convention, Kansas City, MO

## **Altruistic Chairman Susie Dailey**

We were so glad to see so many of the Presidents, Altruistic Chairmen and others at our January Zoom meeting. If you did not get a chance to attend, I urge you log on to the International website, click on Resource Library and click on Search Sources. There you can find a training sample of the form. Go through it to familiarize yourself with the process.

Gather your reports from your chapters this month. You will not be able to fill in your reports until on or around March 1st, but I'm looking forward to seeing all the wonderful things your chapter has done!

Susie

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## **WORLD UNDERSTANDING**

**February is known as the month we show our love for others and what better way to show some love this month by making a donation (chapter or individual) to our 2021-2023 World Understanding Project C.H.E.A.R.**

**Our goal of raising \$50,000 to help build solar powered facilities to house and educate disadvantaged children in the local community of Bambati, Tanzania is within reach. At last year's Northeast Regional Conference, the amount raised thus far, \$18,900. was given to Joshua Johnston, Director at the Mahoce Center. They already have walls up with roofs, and Joshua was moving into the unfinished building in January to save on rental costs. There is still much to be done; with laying tile, painting, putting in windows and a water tower, finishing a bathroom and entrance stairs before the children can fully be housed there. They also need to install solar panels to provide a steady source of electricity for Wi-Fi.**

**February is the perfect month to make a donation to the Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation, either online or by mailing a check to International headquarters. If mailing a check, make sure you put Project CHEAR on the memo line. The mailing address is Alpha Delta Kappa, 1615 West 92nd Street, Kansas City, MO 64114. Checks should be made out to Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation. If donating online, go to [www.alpha-deltakappa.org](http://www.alpha-deltakappa.org) then sign in, go to Foundation, Donate, click on the box-World Understanding Projects C.H.E.A.R., choose the amount to give, then use PayPal, Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or American Express to donate.**

**Make sure to include any donations to your chapter Altruistic Chairman for this year's report if you make a donation by the end of February. It is the easiest Valentine's gift you could give and what a lasting impact it will make.**

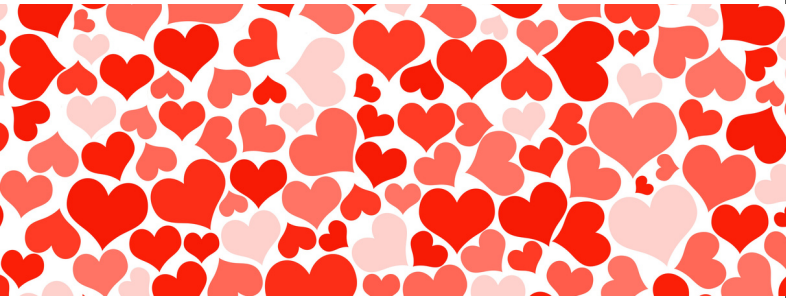
**Happy Valentine's sisters**

**Ruth Rennick  
Georgia World Understanding Chairman**

## CHAPTER BYLAWS /DISTRICT GUIDELINES

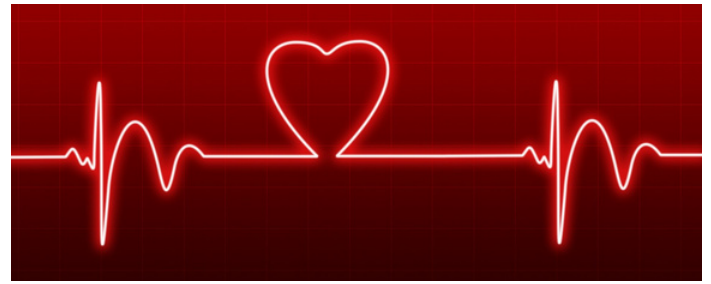
CHAPTER PRESIDENTS AND BYLAWS CHAIRMEN, SEND ME  
A VALENTINE OF YOUR COMPLETED BYLAWS TEMPLATE  
OR YOUR OFFICIAL POLICY STATEMENT.

CHAPTER BYLAWS AND DISTRICT GUIDELINES ARE DUE  
TO ME NO LATER THAN MARCH 15, 2023. THIS DEADLINE  
IS IMPORTANT FOR CHAPTER CORNUCOPIA CREDIT.



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## Sisters & Prayers



KATHY LOBE FAMILY - OMEGA  
RENEE GAITHER FAMILY - OMEGA  
RAMONA NICHOLS FAMILY - OMEGA  
JANET ROBISON- HEALTH  
PAT CARR - HEALTH

GEORGIA CHAPLAIN

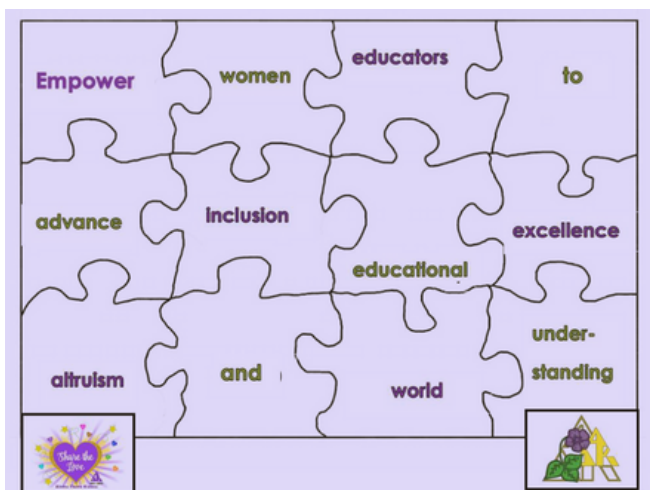
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FRATERNITY EDUCATION: DIANE PHILLIPS

**Happy February** sweet sisters! How are your Fraternity Education activities going at each of your meetings? It is so very important for us to continue to grow in our knowledge of **WHO WE ARE** and **WHAT WE REPRESENT**! If your chapter is struggling with new ideas, just know that there are SO MANY **ready-to-use**, fun ideas, and printables available **on our international website**! You can check them all out by **logging in** at [alphadeltakappa.org](http://alphadeltakappa.org), then **choosing MEMBERS ONLY**, then **RESOURCE LIBRARY**, and then using the **search bar** and typing in **FRATERNITY EDUCATION**!

Whether you are the Fraternity Education chairman for your chapter or the president, let me suggest that you **be intentional** with the activities that you choose for your chapter! Choose activities that will help your membership grow in what they know. You could even choose different activities for small groups at your meeting so that each member is learning something new! If I can be helpful in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out! [dphillips@rabuncountyschools.org](mailto:dphillips@rabuncountyschools.org)



HAPPY  
VALENTINE'S  
DAY





## **EXCELLENCE in Education by Freda Doster**

**“Excellence in education is when we do everything we can to make sure they become everything they can”.**

**-Carol Ann Tomlinson**

**“Excellence is not an exception; it is a prevailing attitude”.**

**-Colin Powell**

**Do either of these quotes remind you of an Alpha Delta Kappa member? If so, please consider nominating her for the Excellence in Education Award next fall. You have lots of time to plan. This award was established to recognize members for their outstanding contributions to education. Potential recipients may be nominated by a colleague or may choose to self-nominate.**

**In order to be eligible for this award, members must meet requirements which include, but are not limited to:**

- 1.Be an active member.**
- 2.Be actively engaged in the education profession and be under contract in teaching, administration, or some specialized field of education.**
- 3.Exhibit exceptional professional dedication, knowledge and skills.**
- 4.Be recognized as an outstanding educator by colleagues, parents, and students.**
- 5.Have made exemplary contributions to education.**
- 6.Show evidence of professional achievement and success.**
- 7.Demonstrate school/community collaboration.**

**The nomination and application process are online only and can be found on the international website under the members only resource library section. Sample nomination and application forms are available for viewing on the website. The official nomination form will be available 60-90 days before the nomination deadline of November 1, odd numbered years. Once the completed nomination packet is received, the nominee will receive a link to the online application by November 10. Completed applications are due by January 15, even numbered years and recipients will be announced at the following state convention.**

**Please note: the Guidelines are currently under review. The current guidelines state to check the international website in January of 2023 for the Current Program Guidelines but as of the writing of this article they have not yet been updated.**



# Notes from the Treasurer

LISA TILLEY

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Many thanks to chapter treasurers for your diligence in submitting State dues by the January 31st penalty deadline. I appreciate all your hard work.

Please make sure to check your account at [alphadeltakappa.org](http://alphadeltakappa.org) to verify that the ITE fee and all International dues have been paid for your chapter.

Our next deadline will be June 30 for the C-1 form for chapter treasurers and the D-1 form for district treasurers.

## NEWS FROM

### *State Scholarship VP*

KELLIE HUBBARD

Thank you chapter treasurers for sending in your GA 102 and State Scholarship Assessment!

#### *The Gayle Owen Scholarship*

Gayle Owen, Georgia State President 2012-2014, has a scholarship named for her that is held by the Georgia Beta Gamma Chapter. It is a \$1,000 scholarship designated for students planning to study or who are currently studying education in one of the fields of Special Education. Preference is given to students of deaf education. High school seniors or college students are eligible to apply.

In the event that there is no applicant from the field of special education, in a given year, a scholarship may be awarded to an applicant from regular education. Preference is given to a student who will be teaching in the field of deaf education.

The scholarship application packet must be postmarked or received electronically on or before March 1. This scholarship has been developed for students who display potential to be excellent educators.

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## GOLDEN ISLES DISTRICT MEETING

What a great start to our Spring District Meetings this past weekend. Thank you Golden Isles District Chairman, Jewel Hendrick, Host Chapter Alpha Mu and Golden Isles Sisters!

What a great time had by all! Looking forward to 9 more District Meetings!



What a HAPPY group of Sisters being together IN PERSON!



Wonderful to have 3  
Past State Presidents together!



Friends Reunited!



### OMEGA SERVICE

Melba Priestley and Dot Youngblood  
remembered by all.

#### *Pound Cake*

3 cups sugar	3 sticks butter
1 cup sour cream	6 eggs
3 cups cake flour, sifted	1 tsp. vanilla
1 tsp. lemon extract (*optional)	

Beat sugar with butter until well creamed. Mix in sour cream, beat well, add one egg and beat. Mix after adding each egg until you have added six. Follow with vanilla and cake flour, mixing until batter is smooth. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Bake 1 ½ hours. Cream cheese may be used instead of sour cream. \*Sometimes I use 4 different flavorings.

Mary Alice Wilder, Alpha Mu Golden Isles District



LET FUN DAY FUN  
BEGIN!