



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

What a FUN, yet busy season we have ahead of us as Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters! I hope that you have updated your calendars and reserved time to participate in our OPEN GA Executive Board/Advisory Council Meeting on April 28, then FUN DAY on April 29 as we prepare to head to Kansas City in July.

If you have never been to an IN PERSON FUN DAY you are in for a treat! If you are a frequent flier...think back when YOU were a FIRST TIMER and invite a FIRST TIMER to come along with you. I know I remember the person who invited me to my FIRST FUN DAY! EACH ONE BRING ONE applies to our current members, but this is a great time to bring along a prospective member as well. Let her see the fun, excitement, altruism and fellowship we participate in. I hear we will be surprised who may drop in to visit us this year!

District meetings are well underway. Each meeting is different and unique, yet so similar. It amazes me how creative GA Sisters are, not to mention the Altruistic projects and donations made throughout Georgia.

I recognize not everyone will be able to attend International Convention this year for various reasons. I am happy that the Board has made it possible for those not able to attend to view the sessions via Zoom. It is important for you to know who is offering for office and a little bit about them. Please read the Kappan and be prepared to voice your opinion to those who are able to vote.

Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa is YOUR ORGANIZATION and we want to hear from you. Please email if you have any suggestions, concerns or needs for the coming year. Plans are being made to have a few technology Zooms and other training sessions beginning in the summer. I hope you will join us or maybe you would like to be a presenter. We would love to have your ideas.

REMEMBER it is never too early to start thinking about your next LEADERSHIP ROLE...GEORGIA IS FULL OF GREAT LEADERS throughout the state and we NEED YOU!

Wishing you a HAPPY SPRING full of LOVE, SUNSHINE and GOOD HEALTH! Enjoy your SPRING BREAK and be safe if you are traveling! Hope to SEE YOU IN MACON!

Love to all,
Debbie



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Fun Day



Georgia FUN Day 2023 is just a little less than two months away. The Executive Board is hoping you are making plans to attend. The day is packed full of shopping time at The Emporium, a hands-on C2O Project for the Ronald McDonald Houses of Georgia, singing, fellowship and loads of FUN!

Who loves a parade? We all do, right! Parades have been associated with celebrations – i.e. sporting events, homecomings, and holidays. In Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa's case, it corresponds with our "Celebrating Alpha Delta Kappa's Heritage–75 Years of Sisterhood." Our parade will center around the "Best Dressed or Imitated Founder" contest. Dress in some vintage clothing from grandma's closet or choose some from a vintage store. Who knows, you could win a first, second or third place prize.

Be a look-a-like of one of the four Founders of Alpha Delta Kappa – Agnes Shipman Robertson, Marie Neal, Hattie Poppino and Marion Southall. Their pictures are below.



Agnes Shipman Robertson



Marie Neal



Hattie Poppino



Marion Southall

Be sure to sign up Saturday, April 29th for the parade in the registration area by 10:30 am.

For those of you planning to come and spend Friday night, there are only a few rooms left in the Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa block at Avid Hotel. The Holiday Inn Express and Suites rooms are filled.

Looking forward seeing you at Georgia FUN Day – April 29, 2023!

TERRI THOMPSON, PRESIDENT-ELECT
2023 FUN DAY CHAIRMAN

THE LONGEST DAY

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

YOU'RE INVITED TO A VIRTUAL KICKOFF!

Join us for a webinar to celebrate Alpha Delta Kappa's support of Alzheimer's Association®, The Longest Day® and how AΔK will raise funds and awareness for Alzheimer's care, support and research.

WHEN: March 8, 2023 7:00 PM EST

WHO: All Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters

TO JOIN: Register today at: shorturl.at/akRW9



We'd like to highlight who you shine your light for and your favorite memories of participating with your AΔK Sisters. Send pictures, videos, and your stories to globalteams@alz.org by March 3rd.



About The Longest Day:
<https://youtu.be/ff3uXoOuJLw>

JOIN OUR TEAM NOW

PAGE LINK: http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=16164&pg=team&team_id=782385

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 4 -- Atlanta Spring District Meeting

March 11 -- Decatur Spring District Meeting

March 13-- GA AΔK's 69th anniversary

March 18 -- Athens, Augusta & Dalton Spring District Meetings

March 25 -- Marietta Spring District Meeting

April 28-----GA OPEN EXECUTIVE BOARD/ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AND DINNER
6 PM at the Anderson Center in Macon

April 29 ---- GA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA FUN DAY IN PERSON!

July 11-12 and 17-18 to tour Kansas City, MO

July 13-16 --International Convention, Kansas City, MO
Banquet is on the evening of the 16th!

2023 International Convention

UPDATE for GEORGIA SISTERS

YOU are invited to the Georgia Evening Out
July 14, 2023



PRESENTS



ONLY 50 Seats Are Available

COST is \$85

Dinner, Dessert , Gratuity and Transportation are all
inclusive.

Nonalcoholic beverages included with dinner.

Checks written to **Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Courtesy & Hospitality**

Mail to:

Janet Robison

2462 Arapaho Way

Powder Springs, GA 30127

Melba Priestley Memorial Scholarship

Due no later than May 30, 2023

\$2500 SCHOLARSHIP

**SAVANNAH AΔK
ΑΓ CHAPTER**

**Melba Priestley Alpha
Delta Kappa Memorial
Scholarship**

Purpose

Encourage commitment to educational excellence and give financial assistance to college juniors, seniors or graduate students majoring in Education

Details

- ✓ Awarded every two years in odd year
- ✓ College Junior, Senior, or Graduate Students
- ✓ More information:
<https://gaalphadeltakappa.org/scholarships-grants/>
- ✓ Online application:
<https://tinyurl.com/melbapriestley>

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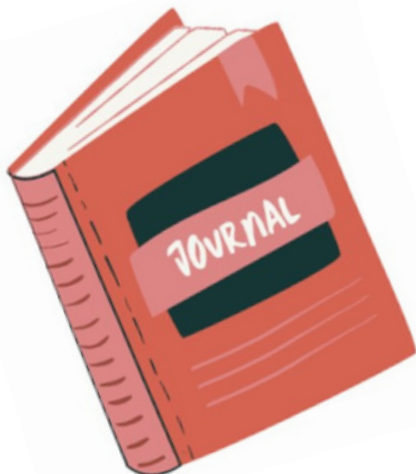
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Altruistic Updates by Susie Dailey

March has arrived and it's now time to gather your chapter members' altruistic report and total up those numbers. I'm looking forward to receiving reports from every chapter. Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa members have hearts for giving and for service. Be sure to have your report logged in by March 15th. We want to continue to be 100%!



FUN DAY ALTRUISTIC C2O PROJECT



EACH DISTRICT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING HARD BACK JOURNALS TO BE DONATED TO EACH OF THE 6 RONALD McDONALD HOUSES IN GEORGIA. OUR GOAL IS TO GIVE 100 JOURNALS TO EACH OF THE HOUSES LOCATED IN ATLANTA, MACON, AUGUSTA, COLUMBUS AND SAVANNAH.

AT FUN DAY WE WILL PROVIDE STICKERS TO BE PLACED INSIDE THE JOURNALS INDICATING THAT THEY ARE FROM GEORGIA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA. WE HOPE YOU WILL ALSO WRITE A SHORT PERSONAL NOTE OF ENCOURAGEMENT AS WELL



CALLING ALL SISTERS

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
EMAIL: pippyrogersadk@gmail.com

UPDATE from International Headquarters

As you know, the International Alpha Delta Kappa Convention registration is now open.

Be sure to register early. On May 1st, the cost increases to \$350.00.

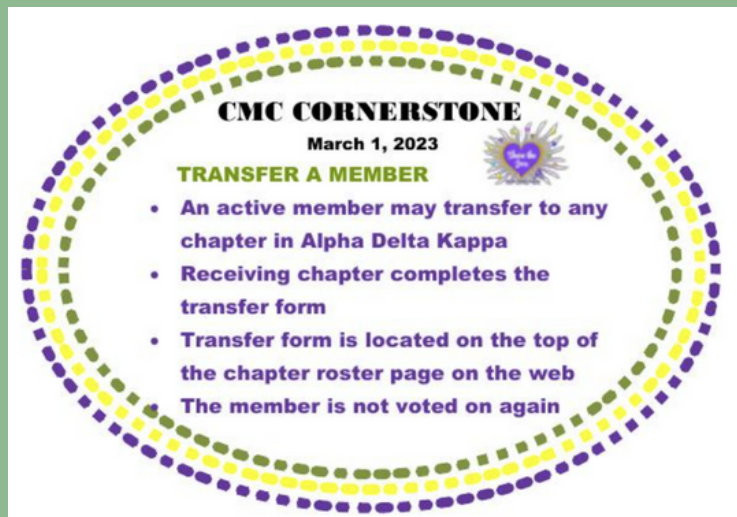
Link here to register and for more information: <https://cvent.me/l8dAqv> .

For an additional cost, there are Pre and Post Convention tours of Kansas City, MO.

Additionally, there are free tours of the International Alpha Delta Kappa Headquarters also available before and after the convention.

Membership Update

Suzi Bonifay



Congratulations to those of you who have initiated and/or reinstated members this biennium (since June 1, 2022) and to those of you keeping current members excited and engaged. You are rockin' it. Thanks also for all the questions about new members & reinstatements. Keep reaching out.

According to a download at the end of February, we have 16 new initiates and at least one reinstatement. Reinstatements don't show as new in the Directory as the date reverts to the original initiation date. Do send me an email (sbonifay72@att.net) if you've had or when you have a reinstatement, and I will track them in another manner. Just let me know the chapter, the reinstated member's name and the date reinstated. I want to help celebrate your chapter and members. Also send member accomplishments and celebrations to highlight.

Membership Limerick

There once were AΔK sisters from the Peach state,
They loved Fun Days, Conventions and special dates,
They promoted service and education,
Were known for having fun and by reputation,
And in recruiting were envied as top rate!



Kudos to one of our newest reinstated members, April Aldridge, Alpha Iota. April was previously an Asst. Supt. in Curriculum and Instruction in Decatur County, served as President of GACIS, moved to the Rural Education and Innovation Project, then to state Director of Curriculum & Instruction before catapulting to her new and current position as Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning at GaDOE. April was also featured in this month's *Bainbridge Living Magazine* for being named Chamber of Commerce Committee Member of the Year for her work with the Youth Leadership Program and Bearcat Workforce NOW. Welcome back to Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa.

Also check out Classroom Conversations at GaDOE--the place for teachers to share and learn. Presented by the Georgia Dept. of Education and GA Public Broadcasting, each episode features Georgia educators who are teaching and reaching students in innovative and impactful ways. Episode 304 on February 7, 2023, features Alpha Iota member Leigh Powell talking about the Performing Arts. Go to: Classroom Conversations | Georgia Public Broadcasting (gpb.org)



GEORGIA CHAPLAIN

ROBIN DUDLEY

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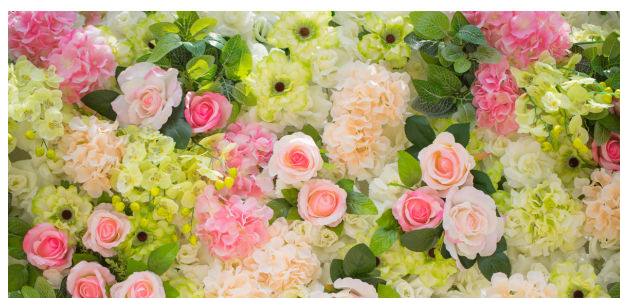
Sisters & Prayers

BARBARA MURRAH-HEALTH

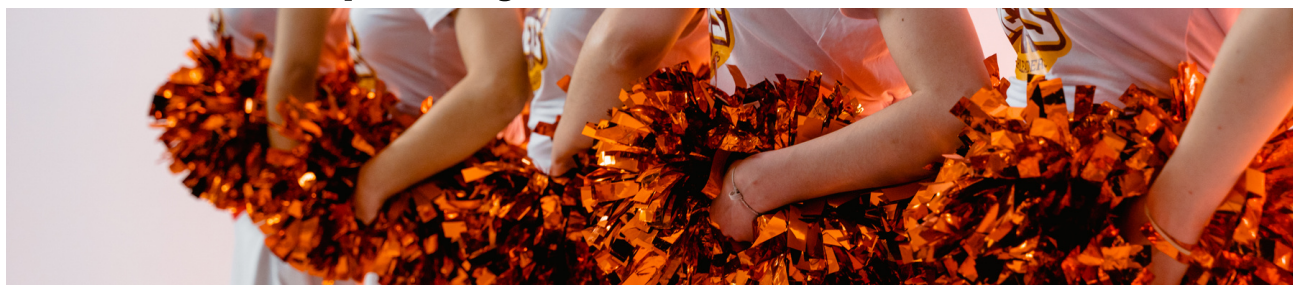
PAT CARR - HEALTH

JANET ROBISON- HEALTH

LINDA GUYER - HUSBAND'S HEALTH



Chapter Bylaws / District Guidelines



I'm here to cheer on my District Chairmen, Chapter Presidents and Bylaws Chairmen to meet me at the finish line with your updated District Guidelines, Chapter Bylaws, or Official Policy Statement! If you need help with technology and filling out the forms, your Georgia Bylaws Chairman is ready, willing, and able to help.

Chapter Bylaws and District Guidelines are due to me no later than March 15, 2023. This deadline is important for Chapter Cornucopia credit.

Melissa Hoffman, Georgia Bylaws Chairman
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What these sisters won't do for fun!



GAMMA enjoying the afternoon!



Erin working with her tools in February!



Fidelis Lambda busy making plans!



Beta Iota with a few TOOLS!

Beta XI HIGHLIGHTS!



2023 International Convention is COMING!



Members can now register and book hotel reservations.

This 75th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION International Convention promises to be special and an amazing opportunity for our members to reflect on so many wonderful memories of membership that have been experienced!

So, there is one “extra” level added, and that is the ability to sign up and **SHARE YOUR TIME** by volunteering to be an assistant Sergeant-at-Arms. This is a chance for **YOU**, our members, to enjoy meeting, greeting, assisting and being an essential part of an International Convention.

Volunteers are needed in many ways:

- during the 3 business sessions
- many learning sessions to help our hybrid learners have a great online experience
- food events (Regional Luncheons and Installation Banquet)
- the memorial service, and the Evening of Entertainment.

Our assistant Sergeant-at-Arms are our “official” doorkeepers using our new scanning capabilities and perhaps one of the first members others will come in contact with at functions while leading them where they need to go.

So, having your **SMILE** and sisterly greeting ready, is the top priority. Of course, the “job” is definitely **FUN** and will provide the chance to meet new members!

There will be an area designated on the registration website that you can select. If you have any special “requests” where you would like to volunteer (and of course you aren’t limited to just one time), please note any preferences and we will certainly try to accommodate you. Rest assured, we will provide training when needed.

There are many members who have served in this position before and we hope you return and talk it up to others who are planning to attend. The more hands we have **SHARING** the lighter the load.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please don’t hesitate to contact:

Linda Rissel
jlrissel@msn.com

The 2023 International Convention Sergeant-at-Arms

Heart of Georgia District Meeting



Best Greeters and servers ever!



Melissa Blankenship



Beautiful Centerpieces



What Debbie won't do for Terri!



Lea talking up Disaster Relief FUNDS





Barbara, Heart of GA
District Chairman



Beta Nu Celebrating an ANNIVERSARY!
The Chapter history was fascinating!
and if you are EVER in the area you
MUST have a donut from the bakery!



In deep thought working
out our group picture!



Beta Nu Sisters
Celebrating thier Anniversary



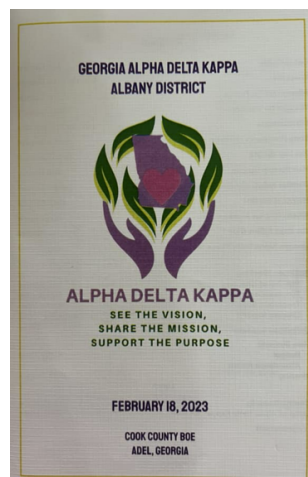
Terrific COOKS and HOSTESSES!



Albany District Meeting



BACK row: TORI BENNETT, JANET ROBISON, KATHY HARDISON, REGINA MANSFIELD, JENNIFER ABERCROMBIE, TERRI THOMPSON, LORI CARNINE, MARY SUE WARD, BEVERLY POLLACK, AMY HOLT
FRONT row: SUZI BONIFAY, BARBARA HAM, RUTH RHAMES, HAZEL STANTON, DEBBIE BOSWELL, RUTH RENNICK, DIANN POWERS, KATHY JONES



TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Dawn Hudson, Georgia Telecommunications Chair

The newsletter you are currently reading is sent to the opt-in members of Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa via **MailChimp** which is a free tool for our organization based on the number of emails we send to a large group (over 1450 sisters). Unfortunately, MailChimp will begin to charge organizations who send mass emails to over 500 people. Always mindful to keep costs down for our organization, we researched and found another email service called **Sender** which will be free based on the size of our group and the number of emails sent monthly.

We do not expect to have issues with deliveries to your email, but any time you use a new service, there may be some technology glitches, so please keep your eyes open for your **April** newsletter since that will be the first month of our new service. You may have to check your Spam/Junk folder for the mailing whereas you currently are receiving this directly into your inbox.

With both mail services, the sender will continue to be our state email address which is georgiaadk@gmail.com.

Thanks for your patience during this transition!

AN INVITATION

Dawn Hudson, Georgia Beta Epsilon President



Hello sisters! As the president of Georgia Beta Epsilon, I would love to invite you to an optional fun field trip that will happen on **Saturday, July 29th at 8:00 PM at Center Stage Theater, Atlanta**. The **Bored Teachers Comedy Tour** will be performing and includes many funny actual teachers/administrators/bus drivers/custodians/counselors, etc. on stage. Tickets are currently on sale and still available. Many chapters are getting seats together and of course going out to dinner before the show. Sisters in the metro area may be able to host sisters coming from other parts of the state - just reach out. We would love to laugh together at this amazing show. It would be a great opportunity to invite a prospective member to come with you!

More information: <https://www.boredteachers.com/comedy-tour>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/boredteachers>

Tickets for Atlanta's Center Stage Theater:

<https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/OE005E46CE873692>

IOTA Celebrating in February!



What a beautiful cake for 50 years!



HONORING Sisterhood with Beta Iota's mentor, Norma Rushing!



25 years of FUN Sisterhood!

