

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

Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa FUN Day

State President-Elect Terri Thompson

FUN Day is less than one month away. The deadline to register is fast approaching – April 10th without a late fee and a \$5 late fee for April 11th-15th. No reservations after April 15th.

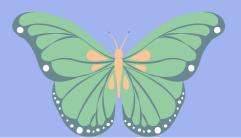
The different activities planned will surely get you in the celebrating mood for this summer's international convention. You will have an opportunity to contribute to the following altruistic projects – Ronald McDonald House journals and silent auction items, the Alzheimer's Longest Day, World Understanding Project C.H.E.A.R., disaster relief, and St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. The Emporium will have many different items the chapters have for sale. All of these will put you in a festive spirit.

Entertainment during the day will feature musical sing-alongs, the "Best Dressed Look-a-Like Founder's" Parade, Alpha Delta Kappa and Kansas City trivia, snapshots taken in the GA $A\Delta K$ photo booth, funny skits, and last but not least, Sisterhood with our GA sisters and guests.

Be sure to get your registrations in for Friday night's "Dutch Treat" dinner and Executive Board/Advisory Council meeting and Saturday's FUN Day. And do not forget to wear your GA A Δ K purple shirt or shacket (shirt/jacket). If you do not have one, we will have some for sale at FUN Day.

It is going to be a time you do not want to miss.





ROBIN DUDLEY STATE CHAPLAIN





When a Chapter Member Joins the Omega Chapter



- Chapter Presidents, Treasurers, or Membership Chairmen have access to updating the Chapter Roll when a sister enters the Omega Chapter.
- · Go to alphadeltakappa.org
- Sign In
- Go to "Members Only" and use the drop down menu
- Select Directory
- Your Chapter Roster will load
- Follow the instructions to update the membership to Omega status
- Notify the State President and State Chaplain with an obituary and the family address



Prayers for Sisters

- June Bellamy Hip & Knee Surgery
- Debbie Clark Health
- Pat Smith-Fell at school, doing well
- Sandra Bailey Knee Surgery
- Ianet Robison Health
- Pat Carr Health



Praying for Joy, Health, Healing and Happiness for our Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters.

In Loving Memory of Dr. Franklin R. Croker



As many sisters may remember, one of the 2022 Georgia State Convention altruistic projects benefited the Dr. Franklin R. Croker Transformation Center. Dr. Croker (88) of Marietta passed away on March 17, 2023. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Carolyn Croker (a Georgia Beta Epsilon sister); son Ron Croker of Kennesaw and daughter Beth Croker Cook of Flowery. His career as a teacher and Cobb County principal spanned 38 year and two of his schools achieved the National Blue Ribbon excellence awards under his leadership. Upon his retirement he was named the South Cobb Citizen of the year, one of many awards earned during his lifetime. In lieu of flowers, donations went to the Sweetwater Mission in Austell, earmarked for the Dr. Franklin R. Croker **Transformation Center.**

How wonderful to see Spring arrive! Georgia has much to celebrate and look forward to this Spring and Summer. Newsletters are always filled with important information and dates (make sure you mark your calendars as you read along), but your pictures and celebrations fill *THE VOICES* with such wonderful smiles, happy gatherings and altruistic endeavors.

THANK YOU for making THE VOICES what it is! Debbie Boswell



CONGRATULATIONS Georgia Beta Eta President Tonya Stephens



Beta Eta was chosen by HQ to zoom in a Gulf Membership Celebration with International, Gulf and state leaders and one FL chapter for having a new member initiated between June & December of 2022. President Molly Acosta kicked off the zoom and was effusive in her compliments. President Stephens shared the history of their chapter, highlights of altruistic projects, chapter accomplishments and recruitment strategies. Beta Eta's presentation was spectacular, they had a preponderance of members in attendance as well as a number of prospective members. Join us in giving them a round of applause for their recruitment and for representing Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa in our traditional fine fashion.

HAPPY 60th ANNIVERSARY ALPHA TAU! What a great celebraton for all!



Alpha Tau Sisters Celebrating

Bettie Calhoun and
Disaster Relief
Chairman Lea
Mazucco honoring
Bettie with a GA GIFT
of LOVE after Bettie's
home was all but
destroyed during a
tornado in Griffin.



Alpha Tau Past/Current Officers
Celebrating 60 Years of Sisterhood!
Francis McCarthy, Pam Ray
Kelly Clark, Bettie Calhoun
Janet Kindred, Nancy Locke
Marian Sorensen, Janice Akin

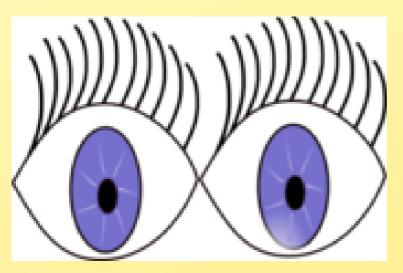


Invited Guests Terri, Hazel,
Debbie and Lea having FUN!
Beautiful Power Point of 60 years!

HAPPY PASSOVER, EASTER / SPRING, SUMMER FAMILY and FRIEND CELEBRATIONS

DATES / EVENTS TO REMEMBER

April 15 - Regional Mini Spring Scholarship application deadline
April 15 - Early Bird Registration for International Convention deadline.
April 28 GA Executive Board/Advisory Council Meeting and Dinner
April 29 GA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA FUN DAY IN PERSON!
July 13-16 International Convention, Kansas City, MO



LOOKING FOR EXTRA SETS OF EYES

NEEDED: Sisters' "Crowd Control"
Talents to serve as SERGEANT-ATARMS 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



WHY WE FIGHT

Women and Alzheimer's Disease

- Women are at the epicenter of the Alzheimer's crisis.
- Almost two-thirds of American seniors living with Alzheimer's disease are women.
- Among those aged 65 and older, 12% of women have Alzheimer's, compared with 9% of men.
- At age 65, women without Alzheimer's have more than a 1 in 5 chance of developing Alzheimer's during the remainder of their lives, compared with a 1 in 9 chance for men.

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







Membership Update by Suzi Bonifay

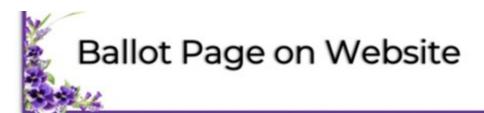
Woohoo! We are currently back over the 1500 mark with 1507 members including 36 new initiates this biennium and an undetermined number of reinstatements. We have added 22 of those members since mid-February. Kudos to each and every one of you who has reached out to connect with and encourage those ladies to join our ranks. Get them involved in programs, activities and bring them to Fun Day. And, let's make certain that we can keep those members currently straddling the fence about paying dues for 2023 hooked on our virtues of fellowship, scholarship, membership and service. For each loss, we need to add two new members to gain ground.

As a reminder, your chapter has the ability to grant Active on Leave status to any member who may have temporary life circumstances that are preventing her from attending meetings and/or participating in activities, i.e, chemo, taking care of an ill family member, long travel abroad, etc. That status can be granted on an annual basis, you do not need to notify HQ and the member does pay all dues. In rare circumstances if you have a member who has a permanent mental or physical challenge that prevents her from participating in chapter activities, she may be eligible for Limited status which is determined by Headquarters. Let me know if you want to consider limited status and I will be happy to guide you.

If you find that your chapter is struggling—with membership, leadership, programs, ideas or other, reach out immediately to someone who can help. That might be a Past Chapter President, your current or Past District Chairman, the State VPM or President or some other leader. There are a variety of people within the state who can provide assistance. Don't wait until you've fallen down the rabbit hole. Reach out and we'll share the love!



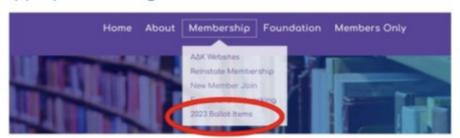
INFORMATION FOR 2023 DELEGATE VOTING!



Our website has a new page! This where you will find all the information for 2023 delegate voting.

Anyone who is registered for the 2023 International Convention by May 1st is eligible to be a voting delegate.

Registered delegates will receive an email during appropriate voting windows.



Click here to check out the new ballot page!

ALPHA DELTA KAPPA

2023 Fall Membership Celebration



All chapters that initiate one or more new members from January 1 - May 31 will be invited to a regional ZOOM celebration in the fall of 2023.







INTERNATIONAL
OPPORTUNITY
to build
Membership in
GA Alpha Delta Kappa!

Many of our chapters have already initiated new members, lets challenge each other to have 100% of our Georgia Chapters invited to participate in this CELEBRATION in the fall of 2023!

WORLD UNDERSTANDING Ruth Rennick

This year is quickly flying by. I can't believe it's April already! Our current World Understanding Project C.H.E.A.R. is well on its way of reaching the initial \$50,000 goal. You can help take it above and beyond by making an individual or chapter donation to kick start your March 1, 2023 - February 29, 2024 Altruistic giving.

I hope to see some of you in Kansas City in July to celebrate 75 years of our sisterhood and see a really big check given to Project CHEAR. Georgia sisters have the biggest heart and I'm depending on you to open your pocketbooks and give BIG! Checks may be mailed to headquarters in Kansas City made out to Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation with Project CHEAR on the memo line or an even easier and quicker way is going online to alphadeltakappa.org and go to the Foundation tab and click on World Understanding, then use your credit card to donate any amount you wish.

See you at Fun Day on April 29th!



State Altruistic Chairman Susie Dailey

Georgia Sisters have plenty to smile about! Wait until you see your altruistic successes at FUN DAY! I hope you will be there to celebrate with us.

Please remember to donate hard bound journals to be donated to each of the 6 Ronald McDonald Houses in Georgia you may bring them with you. Our goal is to give 100 or more journals to each of the houses located in Augusta, Emory Atlanta, Northside Atlanta, Columbus, Decatur, Macon, and Savannah. At FUN DAY we will have FUN at our tables putting the stickers in the journals and writing a short personal note of encouragement as well. Removing the price stickers will help save us some time!

State Bylaws Chairman Melissa Hoffman

Congratulations to our Chapter Bylaws
Chairmen, Chapter Presidents, and
District Chairmen for having their
bylaws and District Guidelines
submitted and certified on time in
March. There are 65 chapters within our
ten districts with a total of 75
documents filed. Thank you for your
dedication to Alpha Delta Kappa!

It was truly a pleasure getting to know so many Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa sisters across the state. I look forward to meeting many of you personally at Fun Day in Macon! It is an honor to serve as your State Bylaws Chairman.





Are your bags packed? Are you ready to party?



Our trip to the International Convention in Kansas City is just around the corner and do you have your ticket for the Georgia Night Out to see Dream Girls? The total cost for our night out which includes bus fare from the hotel to the theater, dinner & amp; non-alcoholic drinks, dessert, gratuity and return bus fare to the hotel is \$85.00. You don't want to miss out on this wonderful night of fun, food and entertainment with your Georgia Sisters.

Thirty one of the fifty tickets have been sold. If you haven't sent Janet Robison an email (robisonjanet@gmail.com) it is not too late. Once your email requesting a ticket(s) has been received, your name will go on the list!

Your ticket will be saved once you have mailed a check written to

Georgia Courtesy and Hospitality

2462 Arapaho Way Powder Springs, GA. 30127

Once your check is received a confirmation email will be sent.

The deadline to receive payment is May 15, 2023.



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/0E005E46CE873692

Atlanta District Spring Meeting





Initiates and their sponsors immediately after the initiation ceremony.



State Executive Board and Advisory Council in attendance.



Delta won both attendance awards with the most sisters in attendance chapter at the meeting.





Atlanta District honored 7 Omega Sisters during the Memorial Service.

Augusta District Spring Meeting-March 18, 2023



State Chaplain Robin Dudley & State By-laws Chairman Melissa Hoffman



Thomson High School Bulldog Players provided entertainment

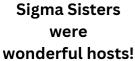
Omicron President Anne Way

Memorial Service for Lois Atkins





District Chairman Angela Hobby Alpha Epsilon Member Angela Fagliwr, Alpha Zeta President Camille Rodgers





Athens District Spring Meeting March 18, 2023



Athens District Sisters from
Seven Georgia Chapters



Stone Chauncey provided entertainment.



June Bellamy leads us in singing "Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa."





Beta Psi Star Award



Beta Beta Attendance Award



The sisters of Dalton District met for their spring meeting at Christ Church Presbyterian Church in Dalton, GA on Saturday March 18, 2023. Our meeting was hosted by our Kappa Chapter and their theme was Lucky to be an $A\Delta K$ sister. Kappa President Amanda Swinney and her Kappa sisters welcomed us all and did a wonderful job. Everyone loved their coordinating t-shirts. They helped us identify host chapter sisters should we need assistance.

Our lunch was delicious Honey Baked Ham sandwich boxes. The boxes included a choice of Ham, Turkey, or Chicken Salad sandwiches, a variety of chips, and cookie.

The altruism project was the Dalton Greater Works Community Outreach. The Dalton Greater Works, for short, strives to help members of the community in need of assistance and build awareness that there is a difference between being homeless and hopeless. The Dalton District sisters were able to contribute by bringing food pantry items, clothing donations, and monetary donations. After Darlene Hill, co-founder of Dalton Greater Works addressed the sisters in attendance, it was announced that we as a district had given numerous food and clothing donations. We also raised \$865 as a monetary gift at that meeting alone. Visit their website for more information: http://daltonsgreaterworks.com/home.aspx. As we have been taught, to whom much is given much is expected. Go Dalton District!

GA Past State President Norma Rushing was our state representative and brought greetings from GA State President Debbie Boswell and a Fun Day invitation from GA State President-Elect Terri Thompson. GA Disaster Relief Chairman Lea Mazzucco was also in attendance selling chances on the beautiful quilt and pendant/ring set and taking orders for the long-sleeved purple shirts for Fun Day.

Dalton District was one of three districts requested by Terri to bring snacks and water to be used in the Fun Day Registration packets. I asked each chapter to bring 1 package of the small 80z water bottles and 1 box of individually sealed snacks. These could be a variety of chips, the peanut butter crackers, or even cookies as long as they were the individual snack size and had 10 minimum in the package. I was told we needed about 85–90, we ended up with close to 120. Amazingly it all fit in Norma's car.

We also collected journals for the Ronald McDonald Houses from sisters who wanted to contribute to the Fun Day altruistic project. We loaded our own Susie Dailey's trunk. Susie is also the GA Altruistic Chairman this biennium.

It was a good day to be out fellowshipping with our sisters. Beta Upsilon hosted our first face to face meeting this biennium, Kappa hosted our second, and with each meeting we are reminded what makes us strong as a sisterhood is the bonds we form when we help each other and others in need. Getting together reminds us of why we joined in the first place and that we are, Lucky to be an $A\Delta K$ Sister!

Images by Shannon Cole. & CT Turner, Dalton District Historian Images are visible on the GA Alpha Delta Kappa Facebook page.



LOVE SHARED at PAST FUN DAYS... Don't miss out this year!

Be a part of the 2023 FUN DAY Memories!

How many sisters do you recognize?
Bring your list of names written alphabetically and place in a basket at FUN DAY registration. You may win a prize!



Share the Love



















Be sure to stop by Registration to start your day off right! What FUN to meet again in person this year!





Registration 2019!



















