



**2024 GEORGIA STATE
CONVENTION
May 17 – 19, 2024**

**GA Alpha Delta Kappa
“Butterflies in Action”**

Hosted by Augusta District

Our 2024 Georgia State Convention will be a time to act and celebrate 70 years of the joys of being a Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa member in our state and as a part of an international organization. We will celebrate our accomplishments including our altruism projects, C2O service projects in the community and the awards Georgia’s chapters received during the 2021-2023 international biennium. Our state convention is a time for business. Each chapter in our state has a voice as we pass a new budget, elect new officers, update the state policy and procedures, and begin a new biennium. Wouldn’t it be wonderful to have each chapter in the state represented at the convention? The Augusta District is already hard at work to make sure we have a successful convention. Please read all the registration materials thoroughly. A separate registration form follows. Please make copies for your members. We are looking forward to seeing many Georgia sisters in Augusta May 17-19, 2024!

Debbie and Terri

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HOTEL INFORMATION

**Augusta Marriott at the
Convention Center**

The convention will be in Augusta, Georgia. Augusta is known as the “Garden City of the South” because of the city’s many large private gardens and is the “Home of the Masters” golf tournament. It is a dynamic city filled with outdoor adventures, historic sites, and a thriving arts community.

Blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center along the Savannah River in downtown Augusta. Room reservations may be made for a standard double, one bedroom suite, or standard king room for \$149.00 + tax (14% + \$1 local fee + \$5 GA State Transportation fee) per night.

You may call 1-888-236-2427 or use the link below to reserve your room. Be sure you give our group name – GA Alpha Delta Kappa – to receive the group rate.

[Book your group rate for GA Alpha Delta Kappa Educators Convention May2024](#)

Register by April 25, 2024, for GA Alpha Delta Kappa rates.

Parking facilities are owned by the City of Augusta.

Self-parking – \$7 per day

Valet parking – \$20 per day



CHAPTER DELEGATES

Each chapter is allotted delegates for the convention based on their official membership roster downloaded from the international website on **April 15, 2024**. **Each chapter is allowed one vote for each ten members or fraction thereof, as certified fifteen days prior to the state convention.** For example, if you have 35 members on April 15th you will have four delegates to the convention. State treasurer Lisa Tilley will verify the chapter membership. Remember to include your chapter's limited members in your count. As new members are being initiated and honored at the upcoming district meetings and chapter meeting, you will need to update the online directory to reflect the new members, resignations, transfers, and members joining the Omega Chapter. This needs to be done immediately so that the membership records will be correct. Chapter presidents must go to their chapter directory on the international website to verify the names of sisters who have resigned.

Sisters must be registered for the convention to serve as delegates or alternates. **When members send in their registration, please be sure that delegates check on the registration form to see that they are delegates.** Also, please designate one or two alternates per chapter in case a delegate cannot attend. The alternates should also check that they are an alternate on the registration form. **If you have sisters in your chapter who are 2022-2024 state officers, past state presidents, state committee chairs, or district chairs they will be state or district delegates. They cannot represent your chapter as a chapter delegate.**

Chapter Presidents – Please email State Convention Chair Terri Thompson, State Convention Registrar Judy Shaklee, and President Debbie Boswell the delegates' names from your chapter by April 15, 2024.

Terri Thompson will contact chapter presidents if no one from their chapter has marked the registration form to be Delegates. **No delegates will be assigned at the convention.**

ALTRUISTIC PROJECT



Children's Hospital of Georgia

Opened in 1998, the Children's Hospital of Georgia is a 154-bed, 220,000-square-foot facility. The hospital is designed just for children and combines the theme of nature and technology to create a safe haven for children and their families. Children's Hospital of Georgia is the only facility in the area dedicated exclusively to children. They understand that creating efficient and effective care means not only taking care of a child but of a family. Their mission is to provide innovative, family-centered care to their patients. They do this by promoting prevention and providing breakthrough treatments for children.

Not only does the hospital work with children and families in the hospital setting, but every summer, Children's Hospital of Georgia hosts multiple summer camps – Camp Rainbow, Camp Joint Venture, Camp Strong Heart, and Camp Share and Care – for the hospitalized children. Monetary donations received will be directed towards the summer camps sponsorships. In addition to the monetary donations, members are asked to donate stuffed **Teddy Bears** (all sizes and types) for the hospitalized children.



State Altruistic Chair Susie Dailey will have a table set up in the Ways & Means area to accept donations. If you are not able to physically attend the convention in Augusta, please “send a Teddy Bear with a friend”.

Georgia sisters have been generous with support for various projects at previous conventions and the hope is that our sisters will continue with their support. Each member attending the convention is encouraged to contribute to the needs of the hospital. Chapter members not attending the convention are invited to participate in the state project by mailing their

gifts to State Convention Chair Terri Thompson (211 McEwen Court, Perry, GA 31069).

The Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa State Executive Board / Advisory Council and the Augusta District is asking each chapter to make a minimum of \$10 donation to the 2024 State Convention Altruistic Project - Children's Hospital of Georgia. Your chapter donation can be sent to State Convention Chair Terri Thompson or included with a member's convention registration. This donation will be made to help fund the summer camps. Each name (chapter or individual) will be entered in an altruistic drawing. Please consider making this one of your chapter altruistic projects prior to convention!

WAYS & MEANS



Chapters may “rent” a skirted **half table for \$20.00** in the Ways and Means area at the convention and **whole tables for \$40.00**. Food items may be included in an opportunity to win. If your chapter wishes to “rent” a table, please mark the Ways and Means box on the registration form and include \$20.00/\$40.00 in your registration to reserve your half/whole table. Tables are assigned by the order of when registrations are received.



ARCHIVES

Please bring your press books to share with other sisters. State Historian Mary Lou Goehring and Alpha Zeta Chapter from the Augusta District will check them in on Friday in Heathcote Room and have them on display during the times Ways and Means is open. If you have a digital press book, you will need to furnish your own computer and all cords needed to display your press book. Please email State



Convention Chair Terri Thompson tlsthompson27@gmail.com if you are bringing a computer. The room will be locked when the archives room is not open.

CONVENTION DRESS

For the business session and most events dress is business casual. The reception and banquet are more formal affairs with cocktail, semi-formal, or Sunday dress recommended. Full length gowns may be worn but are not required. The executive board and advisory council members are asked to wear formal or semi-formal dress for the reception and banquet. District chairmen and chapter presidents will participate in the Presidents' Walk at the banquet. Attire for the Presidents' Walk is “dressy” (formal, semi-formal, cocktail, or something that you would wear for church, to a reception or wedding).

SPECIAL NOTE: The meeting rooms are often cool; please remember to bring a sweater, jacket, or the GA “shacket”.

70th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Do not miss celebrating Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa's 70th Anniversary at the State Convention. The Friday night social time will be a blast.



PROCEDURES FOR CONVENTION REGISTRATION

The state convention convenes for each state to conduct the business of Alpha Delta Kappa. Because of balloting for items such as budget and election of officers, it is **ESPECIALLY important** that the delegate numbers are accurate for the convention. **Because we want to make sure our delegate counts are accurate for voting and for the state sergeant-at-arms to plan for correct seating, each member attending the convention must sign in at registration and pick up their own registration materials themselves.** One representative from a chapter or a roommate **may not** register at the convention for others. If a sister registers for the convention and for some reason cannot attend, a sister may pick up her registration materials and convention tote bag for her after the Awards Luncheon on Saturday during the time set for Ways and Means. We thank you for your assistance and understanding.

State Convention Chair Terri Thompson
State Convention Registrar Judy Shaklee

REGISTRATION PRICING FOR CONVENTION EVENTS

Registration Includes: convention registration materials and tote bag, paper and ink, printing of the programs, room rental fees, a/v equipment rental fees, decorations, favors, cost of entertainment groups, social food, awards luncheon, banquet, and transitional breakfast.

Registration Cost \$195.00

Guest meal ticket prices:

Awards Luncheon \$45.00

Banquet \$77.00

Transitional Breakfast \$39.00

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 17

12:00 – 1:45 pm Registration Set Up
12:30 – 2:00 pm Past State Presidents' Luncheon
at the Augusta Marriott
2:00 – 6:45 pm Registration
2:00 – 6:45 pm Ways and Means/Archives Open
4:00 – 6:45 pm Executive Board/Advisory
Council Meeting & Dinner
7:00 – 8:45 pm Opening Session
Parade of District Banners
9:00 – 10:00 pm Social Time
9:45 – 10:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
Sergeant at Arms Meeting
10:00 – 10:30 Ways and Means/Archives Open

SATURDAY, MAY 18

8:00 – 8:45 am Registration
8:00 – 8:45 am Ways and Means/Archives Open
8:00 – 8:45 am Choir Rehearsal
8:00 – 8:45 am First Timers Meeting
9:00 am – 12:15 pm Business Session
12:30 – 2:30 pm Awards Luncheon
2:45 – 3:15 pm Registration Packets may be picked
up for absent members at the registration desk.
2:45 – 3:45 pm Choir Rehearsal with Memorial
Service Practice
2:45 – 4:00 pm Ways and Means and Archives
4 :00 – 4:30 pm Banner and Archives pick up
5:00 pm Executive Board picture - Plaza Lobby
5:15 – 5:30 pm District Pictures – Plaza Lobby
5:30 – 6:30 pm Open Bar Reception Plaza Lobby
6:30 pm Assemble for Presidents' Walk
7:00 pm Presidents' Walk
7:00 – 10:00 pm Banquet and Installation of
Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa
2024-2026 Executive Board Officers

SUNDAY, MAY 19

8:00 – 8:45 am Memorial Service
9:00 – 11:30 am Transitional Breakfast
11:45 am – 12:15 pm Transitional meeting for
2024 - 2026 Committee Chairs and
District Chairs
12:15 – 1:00 pm Transitional meeting for
2024-2026 Georgia Executive Board

Thanks for a great Convention.
Safe Travels

register now