



2026 GEORGIA STATE CONVENTION

May 1 – 3, 2026

“A Timeless Tradition: GA AΔK Pearls and Violets Celebration” Hosted by Decatur District

Our 2026 Georgia State Convention will be a time to act and celebrate 72 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 2023-2025 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 Decatur 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 Atlanta May 1-3, 2026!



Hotel Information: Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center
246 Perimeter Center Parkway NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30346
(770) 394-6500

Atlanta, Georgia, is primarily known as a major cultural, economic, and transportation hub of the Southeast, famous as the birthplace of Martin Luther King Jr., the home of Coca-Cola, and the host of the 1996 Summer Olympics. It is renowned for its Southern hospitality, diverse music scene, bustling downtown, and as a major center for film and TV production.

Parking: \$12 Overnight Self-parking and Guest Day parking

Blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center.. Room reservations may be made for a Standard King room or Standard 2 Queens room for \$119.00 + State & Local taxes (16% + \$5 GA State Hotel/Motel fee for Transportation) per night.

Start Date	End Date	Occupancy	Rate
4/30/2026	5/2/2026	Standard King	\$119.00 + State & Local taxes (16%)+ \$5.00 per night fee (GA Hotel/Motel fee for Transportation)
4/30/2026	5/2/2026	Standard 2 Queens	\$119.00 + State & Local taxes (16%)+ \$5.00 per night fee (GA Hotel/Motel fee for Transportation)

Hotel Link for rooms: [Last Day to Book : Friday, April 17, 2026](#)

[Book your group rate for Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa Convention 2026](#)



CHAPTER DELEGATES

Each chapter is allotted delegates for the convention based on their official membership roster downloaded from the international website on **April 10, 2026**. **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 10th 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 "Delegate" is checked 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 2024-2026 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 President Terri Thompson, State Convention Chair Pat Smith and the delegates' names from your chapter by April 10, 2026.

The chapter president will be contacted if no one from their chapter has marked the registration form to be a Delegates. **No delegates will be assigned at the convention.**

CONVENTION ALTRUISTIC PROJECT Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Library



Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA) is a premier not-for-profit pediatric healthcare system formed in 1998 by merging [Egleston Children's Health Care System](#) and [Scottish Rite Children's Medical Center](#). Tracing its roots to 1915 with a 20-bed cottage for crippled children, it has grown into a major system with three hospitals—including the new Arthur M. Blank Hospital—serving over 850,000 patients annually.

They library at CHOA would like for Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa to supply books for various patient ages that range from infant/toddler to elementary. Each district has been emailed a flyer with book title choices. Goal is to collect 500 books. Monetary donations may also be accepted.

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 library. Chapter members who are not attending the convention are invited to participate in the state project by mailing their gifts to State Convention Chair Pat Smith (105 Hill Street, Thomaston, GA 30286).

The Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa State Executive Board / Advisory Council and the Decatur District is asking each chapter to make a minimum of \$10 donation to the 2026 State Convention Altruistic Project - Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Your chapter donation can be sent to State Convention Chair Pat Smith or included with a member's convention registration. This donation will be made to help fund the CHOA events. Please consider making this one of your chapter altruistic projects prior to convention!

WAYS & MEANS



Chapters may “rent” a skirted **whole table for \$40.00** or **half table for \$20.00** in the Ways and Means area at the convention. If your chapter wishes to “rent” a table, please mark the Ways and Means box on the registration form and include \$40.00 or \$20.00 in your registration to reserve your whole or half 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 Melissa Blankenship and Beta Mu Chapter from the Decatur District will check them in on Friday in Abernathy 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 Pat Smith and State Historian Melissa Blankenship 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”.**

72nd ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Do not miss celebrating Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa’s 72nd Anniversary at the State Convention. The Friday night social time will be a blast enjoying music from The New Horizons - lead by Beta Gamma sister Joyce King.

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.

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.

Full Registration Cost: **Early by April 8th - \$215.00;** **Late - April 9th – 20th - \$225.00**

Guest Meal Ticket Prices:

Awards Luncheon - \$45.00 Banquet - \$81.00 Transitional Breakfast - \$57.00

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 1

12:00 – 1:45 pm Registration Set Up
12:30 – 2:00 pm Past State Presidents' Luncheon at the Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center
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 2

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 Cash 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 2026-2028 Executive Board Officers

SUNDAY, MAY 3

8:00 – 8:45 am Memorial Service
9:00 – 11:30 am Transitional Breakfast
11:45 am – 12:15 pm Transitional meeting for 2026 - 2028 Committee Chairs and District Chairs
12:15 – 1:00 pm Transitional meeting for 2026-2028 Georgia Executive Board

Thanks for a great Convention.
Safe Travels