

The Sunset Review

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Sisters

With colder weather, leaves falling, and longer nights we know that fall has arrived. This month please think about what you are thankful for. I hope every sister has a wonderful Thanksgiving. Gobble Gobble.

I would like to share more congratulations.

- Sara Morman of Beta Iota is Long Cane Middle School TOTY.
- Demetria Williams of Beta Mu is Rockdale Magnet School TOTY.
- Teresa Hensley of Alpha Upsilon is Westside Elementary and Whitfield County TOTY.

It is my hope that all Georgia sisters stay safe and well over the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Pat Smith



Picture above are sisters who attended the GA Executive Boad Meeting

Membership Matters

As we move into this time of the year, I have much for which to be thankful. I am first and foremost thankful for each of you. Having read all 60 CNAs, I have applauded your many successes, noted your plans for the biennium and discussed the challenges that many of you outlined. I certainly hope that the materials attached in response, helped address those areas of concern. By keeping your CNA handy as a road map for the next two years you can track your progress. Reference it in meetings to stay focused.

Being great educators, we know that there is nothing quite like a good story to connect ideas to human experience and emotion. Crafting a Story of Self might just help those of you who identified recruitment as a goal. A Story of Self is a personal narrative that explains why you joined AΔK and what inspired you to stay — and it's one of the most powerful tools for connecting with and recruiting new members. Rather than share everything that Alpha Delta Kappa can offer up front, share what has inspired you and find out what it is that prospect values and is looking for. Then see if AΔK can fill their bucket and meet their needs. Are we a good fit? It's a great place to start. For more information, check out pages 15-16 in the Membership Development Manual. And if you're so inclined, send me a copy of your story.



CELEBRATION



Please join me in welcoming new members Jennifer Shalz, Sarah Munroe and Bethany Allred, Beta Psi; Carrie Abercrombie, Beta Theta; Patrice Turner-Lapp, Alpha Beta; Kathleen Whatley, Alpha Sigma; and Elizabeth Foster, Fidelis Xi, to the Georgia family. Also welcome back to reinstated sister, Karen Freeman, Beta Iota.

Suzi Bonifay, GA VPM
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Treasurer Tokens

Many thanks to all sisters who are serving as chapter and district treasurers for Georgia Alpha Delta Kappa. I look forward to working with you during the 2026-2028 biennium.
As you plan for the new year, please remember that International dues have increased by $5 to $45 per member; there is no increase in State dues.

- Dues should be paid by December31. After January31, the international late fee is $5.00 per member; the State fee is $1.00 per member.

- Remember that the International website has many helpful financial forms for you to use during your time as treasurer.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

I am thankful for each of you and
wish you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving,

Beverly Turner
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Chaplain's Compass

Happy Thanksgiving, Sisters!

Remember to "Count your many blessings, name them one by one."

I count YOU twice when counting my blessings.

Send all Care and Compassion reports to:

St. Chaplain Carol Roe, carolsroe54@gmail.com

St. Pres Pat Smith, adkpjs97@gmail.com

Cards will be sent to sisters with extended illness or loss of an immediate family member. Immediate family includes spouse, children, siblings, and parents. Report: Person submitting information, District Name, Chapter Name, Name of Sister with the Loss, Name of immediate family and relationship.

Wishing you Love, Light,
and Blessings,
Always,
Carol Roe
GA State Chaplain

Elevating Minds, Advancing Our Mission

VP for Scholarship – Sheila Miller

As members of Alpha Delta Kappa, we have many excellent opportunities to receive "FREE" money in the form of awards, Grants, and Scholarships. Below are the deadline dates for the upcoming grants and scholarships.

- **February 1 – Georgia Student Scholarship - Columbus District this yr. – information on gaalphadeltakappa.org – under scholarships and grants**
  - **A high school senior or college/university student with at least a B academic average and of high moral character.**
  - **A chapter must recommend a student for consideration as a scholarship recipient**
  - **Applications must be postmarked by March 1.**
- **Melba Priestley Memorial Scholarship- information on gaalphadeltakappa.org – under scholarships and grants**
  - **The scholarship will be awarded on June 30th of odd number years. Application no later than May 30th in odd numbered yrs.**
- **Regional Professional Development Scholarship-Info on International Webpage**
  - **Applications due by January 31**
  - **For advanced study, postgraduate degrees, or Nat'l Bd. Certification.**
  - **Members employed in the education field.**

SPOKANE

"In Spokane, We All Belong"

Spokane offers a "near nature, near perfect" experience, blending dramatic landscapes like the Spokane Falls with urban amenities and a balanced, active lifestyle. One highlight is Riverfront Park with lots of special areas left-over from the World's Fair.

NEAR NATURE NEAR PERFECT

Alpha Delta Kappa
2027 International Convention
July 14 - July 18, 2027



Riverside State Park
A hub for hiking, biking, and horseback riding within the Selkirk Mountains.

Turnbull Wildlife Refuge
A 16,000-acre oasis perfect for spotting wildlife and migratory birds.

Manito Park
Premier city park known for botanical gardens and a rose conservatory.

Mount Spokane State Park
Features over 100 miles of trails and year-round mountain adventures.

Centennial Trail
A 40-mile paved trail running through the heart of the city along the river.

Little Spokane River
Offers quiet paddling and hiking trails, famous for spring wildflowers.

"Adventure Awaits"

Georgia Fun Day
April 23, 2027 "Dutch Treat" Dinner & Open Board Meeting - Dinner @6:00pm / Meeting @7:00pm
April 24, 2027 Fun Day - Registration Opens @9:00am

Important Dates

November 14	**Dalton District Fall Meeting**
November 15	**ADK month report due**
	Innovation Grant Deadline
November 17	**SPN Toolbox Chapter Bylaws Help Session**
Jan 1	**Dues are due**
April 24	**Fun Day 2027, Macon**







