

Looking Forward

Gulf Region Newsletter



October 2023

Hi, Sisters,
Happy Alpha Delta Kappa Month! I hope you are enjoying celebrating our Fabulous Founders - Agnes, Marie, Hattie and Marion. I have been to some wonderful Founder's Day Programs and will attend some more before the end of the month. Evelyn Medcalf, Florida Beta Phi, has written a wonderful celebration using the International and Gulf themes. Email her...I'm sure she will share her program. I'm sure there are many of you that have wonderful, creative, original programs for Alpha Delta Kappa Month. I urge you to share them on CONNECT in the Gulf Community.

Not sure how to access and post to CONNECT? Call on your sisters! There are many sisters in the Gulf who will be willing to help and they may even be in your chapter. Just ask at your next chapter meeting...Who uses CONNECT? I hope you will be surprised at the number of sisters that use the awesome application to learn more about Alpha Delta Kappa, not just the Gulf Region.

I wish you success in your programs and please read, carefully, Gulf President-Elect Kay Spriggs' article in this newsletter. We are looking at you to serve!!

With Love,
Lottie



A Message from the Gulf President-Elect

Gulf Sisters,

It's time to Step Up and Step Out of your comfort zone and Show-Off what you can bring to Alpha Delta Kappa in your chapter, state, and/or Gulf. We need YOU to offer for a leadership position. As a part of the Alpha Delta Kappa family, you know you will not be alone in serving in this capacity. Becoming active in this role is a way to grow and expand your chapter, which in turn, expands your state and the Gulf because you bring your talents and experience to others who, in turn, learn and share with others.

As we are beginning the second half of the biennium, NOW is the time to offer yourself to serve. We NEED YOU to continue to be the best we can be for each other.

The deadline to offer for Gulf President-Elect is November 1st. You will have two years of wonderful fellowship and training to fill this position along with help throughout your biennium..

You will NOT be alone!!

Thank you for taking the next Step in service to Alpha Delta Kappa.

Until next time,

Kay Spriggs

Gulf President-Elect



A Message from the Gulf Vice-President for Membership

Gulf Region Membership Matters “The wisest mind has something yet to learn.” George Santayana

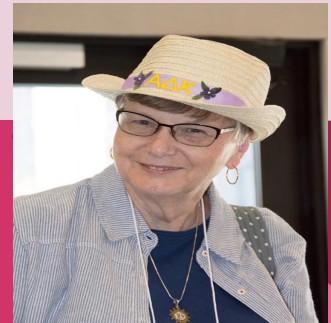
Reminder: The Gulf Membership celebration is on Sunday afternoon, October 22, at 4:00 CT. The invitations were emailed to the new members (January 2023-May 2023), and chapter presidents of the chapters of the new members. All members of these chapters are invited to attend. See all of you then!

Look at your Dashboard (profile) on the website. Go to Members>go to Profile. You will find information about yourself and make corrections if needed. If you click on Chapter Facts, you will find a list of chapter members. You may have more than one Dashboard; example, I have Chapter and International/Regional.

Thank you for all you do. You keep me on my toes.

Celebrate Founders' Month. Also remember all Alpha Delta Kappa sisters. “When don't go with them.” Elvis Presley

Minie



Gulf Conference Call for Presenters

Hear ye! Hear Ye! Gulf Conference is looking for a few good women to share their expertise on topics of interest to your Alpha Delta Kappa sisters. Personal and professional learning sessions as well as officer training sessions will be offered at the Gulf Regional Conference, July 13-17, 2024 at the Crowne Plaza Atlanta Perimeter at Ravinia Hotel.

Please share yourself with us by applying using the link below:

[GULF PRESENTER APPLICATION](#)

Hope to hear from you soon.



International Fraternity Education Committee

HELP NEEDED!



**THE INTERNATIONAL
FRATERNITY EDUCATION
COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR
HELP!**

Our committee's charge is to have existing Fraternity Education materials conform to the current organization of Alpha Delta Kappa. We are asking chapters to send activities to the committee that have worked well for their chapter.

PLEASE HELP US!

Materials can be emailed to Amy Leitze at alleitze@gmail.com or your region's IFE representative.

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Excellence in Education Nominations Now Being Accepted

Mary Ann Englehart, Regional President of the Southwest, said it best..."

"Let's spread the word about the Excellence in Education Award. Look around at the sisters in your chapters. Look in a mirror! Decide who you or your chapter will nominate. Nominations are due October 1st, so don't delay."

We have super talent in our classroom teacher members here in the Gulf. We need to recognize the Excellence! I would like each S/N to submit a nomination online so we will have outstanding representation. If you need assistance, please contact Suzi Bonifay, GA Alpha Iota, Gulf Excellence in Education Chairman.

Here's a link to all the information you need:

<https://www.alphadeltakappa.org/ADKMembers/Foundation/AwardsGrantsScholarships/ExcellenceinEducation.aspx>

Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

September 1-November 1

Applications open for Regional President-Elect

November 15

Innovation Grant deadline

November 30

Gulf Conference Presenter Application (deadline)

December 1

Florida's Honoris Causa Application (deadline)

December 1

All Gulf chapters should select a nominating committee for 2024-2026 officers
(Ask Lottie for creative ways to get officers)

January 1

Gulf Conference Hotel Accepting Reservations



State Shout Outs!!

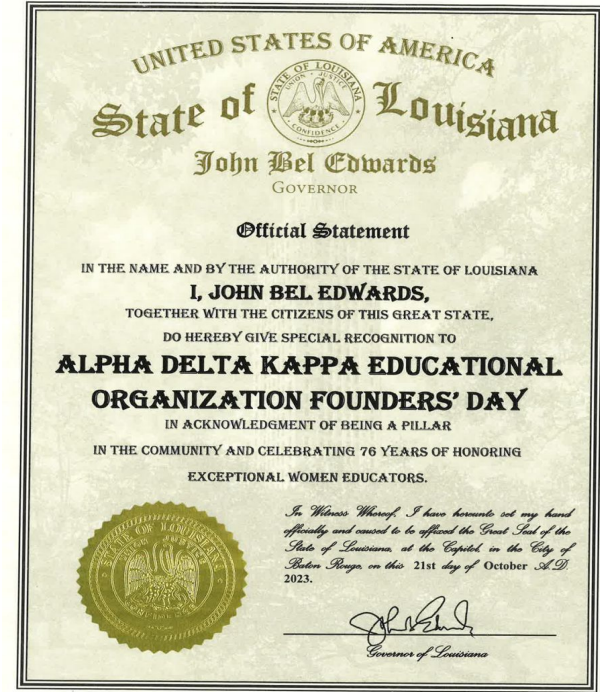
Congratulations to Florida and State President Liz Lilly on a successful State Leadership meeting at the beginning of the month. Great look back at International Convention and our Founders.

Look at Louisiana's Proclamation. Congrats, LA!

Do you know about Alabama's Woman of Merit Award? Alabama sisters should contact Mary Helen Rhodes for more details. States wishing to inquire about the Alabama Award should also contact Mary Helen. (mhrhodes@bellsouth.net)

Puerto Rico will be having an Alpha Delta Kappa Founders Day program on October 21st at the Antilles Military Academy in Trujillo Alto, PR. I'm looking forward to many pictures to be shared.

Thanks goes to Jamaica's Asrey James, IPP, for taking on the role as Jamaica's President after the resignation of Charmaine Ricketts.



Gulf Region Executive Board

President - Lottie Roy

Pres-Elect - Kay Spriggs

RVPM - Minie Coon

Secretary - Caroline Gilmore

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Historian - Kay Taylor

Co-SAAs Leslie Koenck & Silkia Obregon Vargas

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World Understanding Chair - Karen Evans

Gulf Conference Chair - Debbie Boswell

