

Looking Forward

Gulf Region Newsletter



September 2023

Hi, Sisters,

Fall is my favorite season for a number of reasons...first, the beautiful change of colors reminds me of my growing up in the North. I don't get to see it much here in the south but trips during October and the beginning of November to states north of Florida sometimes do the trick! Halloween and Thanksgiving are my favorite holidays...don't tell Christmas! I love the smells, the scares and the cooking. Those of you that really know me, know that cooking is one of my passions. The best reason why Fall is my favorite season is, of course, my birthday is during the Fall. I can't imagine not being born!

My birthday is also during Alpha Delta Kappa month - October. Remember to celebrate Alpha Delta Kappa and our Founders - Agnes, Marie, Marion and Hattie. Such extraordinary women of vision. They were true sisters who "LOOKED FORWARD"! It's now our turn to Get Up & Look Forward to creating our best possible self by increasing our membership in AΔK so we can strengthen our connections. These "bridges to the future" are what will allow us to grow personally & as an organization. Looking forward to seeing some of you at District and state meetings. Happy Fall Y'all!

With Love,
Lottie



A Message from the Gulf President-Elect

Hello Gulf Sisters!

Are you ready to celebrate Alpha Delta Kappa!!

October is closing in, so NOW is the time to be sure your chapter and state celebrations are being finalized and shared with others so we can celebrate with as many of you as possible. Please remember to send in your information along with pictures to those who want to see how you celebrated this wonderful sisterhood! It has been a privilege to be back in Kansas City for the Fall Summit as we are learning many new ways to move Alpha Delta Kappa forward. What we are learning will be shared along the way as we continue to grow. Celebrate and Share Alpha Delta Kappa!!!

We are here for YOU, so please contact Lottie, me, and/or Minie with any questions or ways we may be of help

Until next time,

Kay Spriggs

Gulf President-Elect



A Message from the Gulf Vice-President for Membership

UPDATES:

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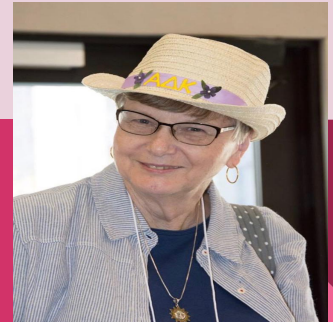
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Remember I am also a phone call, text or email away.

"The right quote can inspire people to change their ways." Zig Ziglar

Minie



World Understanding Update

The 2021-2023 International World Understanding Committee is very pleased to announce that the grand total of contributions to Project CHEAR is \$73,015.40!

This is a huge accomplishment and our sisters' generosity is foremost in the minds of the 2021-2023 International World Understanding Committee, Cam Johnston (our PA Eta sister who wrote the project), and her son Joshua (who is director of the MAHOCE home for children in Babati, Tanzania). In August Joshua used funding from our last check to begin work to complete a rain catchment system and to lay pavers around the grounds before the rains begin in November.

♥ Many thanks to all sisters and chapters who supported our International World Understanding Project C.H.E.A.R. and contributed to the sustainability of MAHOCE. 🌍

Cam has received inquiries from sisters and chapters wanting to continue to support MAHOCE in the name of Alpha Delta Kappa's project C.H.E.A.R. The most effective way to ensure that donations are properly recorded is to write checks to the Harambee Foundation and write C.H.E.A.R. in the memo. Mail checks to: Harambee Foundation, PO Box 216, West Point, PA 19486

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International Fraternity Education Committee

There are signs of Fall around us, shorter days, leaves changing colors, and cooler temperatures. The school year has begun. Alpha Delta Kappa Chapters are holding meetings. How wonderful to see our sisters and hear of their summer adventures.

Alpha Delta Kappa Month will soon be here. Why do we celebrate our organization and our founders? They were four women of vision who saw a need in their community and worked extremely hard to fill it. Is it possible to follow in the footsteps of Agnes, Marion, Hattie, and Marie? What does Alpha Delta Kappa mean to you? Some things to think about as you plan and celebrate Alpha Delta Kappa Month.

As you read last month, International has formed a new Standing Committee, Fraternity Education. There is a member from each of the seven regions plus a chairman. Part of the responsibilities of the committee is to have existing Fraternity Education materials conform to the current organization of Alpha Delta Kappa. Another responsibility is to compile new activities. We are asking chapters to send activities to the committee that have worked well for their chapter. Please send activities to Carolyn Twaddle.

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International Fraternity Education Committee
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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>

Do you have something special to share?

The Gulf Regional Conference is getting underway and we are looking for you!

Presenter applications will be out soon and we are looking for you to share your talents on Altruism, World Understanding, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Personal Growth and, of course, Educational Excellence. Watch for an email blast from me then, check CONNECT for your opportunity to share your talents with your Gulf Region sisters.



Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

September 1-November 1

Applications open for Regional President-Elect

September 30

AΔK St. Jude Walk/Run

October 1

Excellence in Education Award
Classroom Grant
Submission to KAPPAN

October 15

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Regional Mini-Grant

November 15

Innovation Grant



Gulf Region Executive Board

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