# The Sunflower Patch

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Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa Newsletter

August 2020 Edition

# Dates to Remember:

Virtual Regional Conference (FREE) August 29 Sessions Aug. 30, 31, Sept. 1

Aug. 31 - Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA) due

Budgets Approved by Chapters by Sept. 30.

\*\* Oct. 10
Virtual Founders Day
(More information to come soon!

Oct.15 - Treasurers 990 N ePostcard is due.

State Dues due to Treasurer by December 31.

### Thoughts from the Patch:

It is time for big yellow to roll again, only it looks a little different. Our kids around the state are going back on A/B day schedules, virtual, in class, modified schedule, late start, etc. No matter what you call it, we are getting back to the business of our hearts.... EDUCATING the future! I know we will face challenges. (I am still teaching, too.) Some things may take a little more teacher insight to figure out, but we can do it! Remember, we are the ones that know what children need to be successful in our classroom. We are in the front lines doing our best with the materials we have been given, borrowed, bought, or duct taped together to get one more year of use. We wear many hats during the day: Mom, doctor, custodian, coach, counselor, comedian, actress, and maybe even traffic control. I know that my Alpha Delta Kappa sisters MAKE a difference every day! I am so very proud of the job you do! Keep It Up and know that to a child you are their world!



Karen Evans

La. State President





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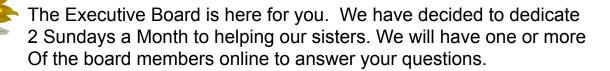
Zoom Officer Training was a great success. Thank you to all the officers that took time to join us. Training was videotaped and it will be available on the Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa Website.

Check it out on laalphadeltakappa.org









We will be having a Zoom Chat for anyone that wants to hop on and Just say Hi, ask a question, get some help, or just see our sweet faces.

Just Remember ... there are NO dumb questions... We are here to help.

We will be doing this on the **Second and Fourth Sundays at 4 pm.** We would love for you to join us. Look for a Zoom invite coming to you very soon.

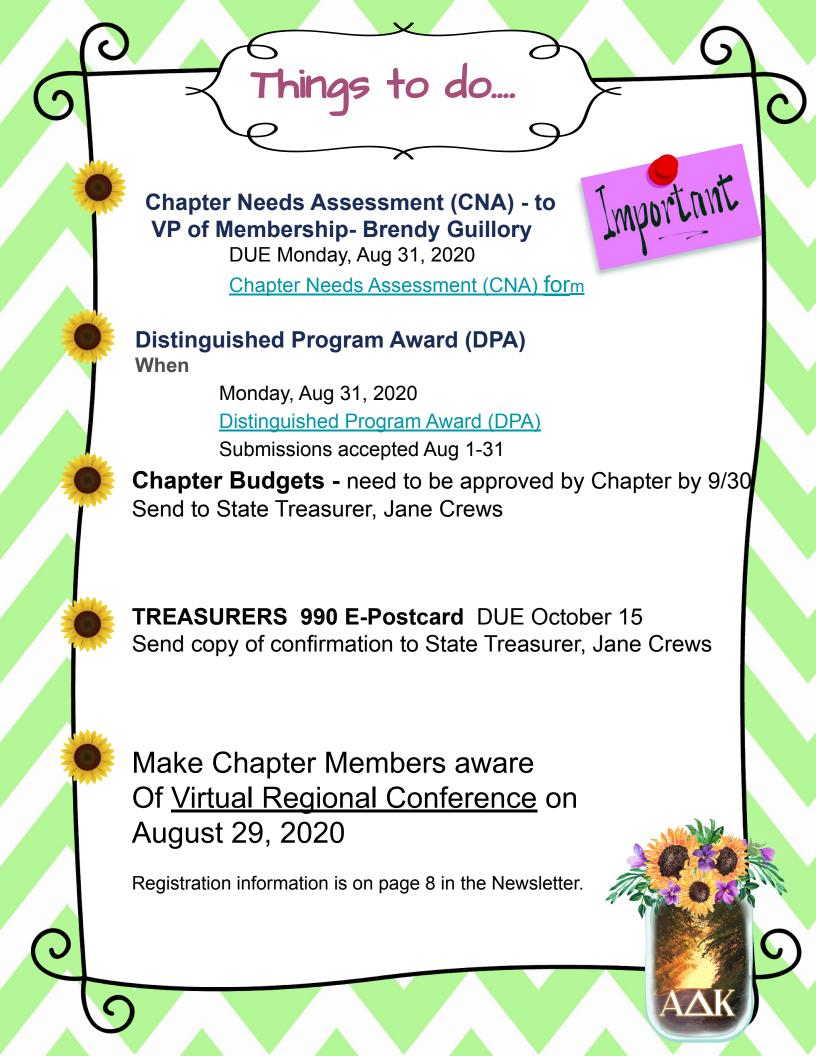
#### **OUR FIRST CHAT will be August 23.**

# Presidents...don't forget to send your Chapter logo and theme.

Each chapter needs to come up with a Theme and a Logo for this Biennium. This doesn't have to be something fancy. Just a theme: Like my Sharing our Love of Alpha Delta Kappa: and a symbol Could be a violet, a butterfly, a heart, anything you want to represent your presidency. **Due By: August 31, 2020** 

There is an attached sheet of paper to give you a few samples and when this is due to me.

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# Officer Notes:

take notes!

#### **Leslie Koenck - State President-Elect**

Chapter secretaries are to email monthly approved minutes to me. In the subject of the email, please note the chapter and date of the attached minutes. {example - Alpha Chapter August 2020} Just a reminder that my email is <a href="mailto:lkoenckadk@gmail.com">lkoenckadk@gmail.com</a>

I sure enjoyed "seeing" everyone with our leadership zoom meeting! If you missed the training, it is posted on the state website for you to view.

With  $A\Delta K$  love, Leslie

#### Jane Crews - State Treasurer

Thanks to all chapter treasurers for submitting C-1 forms for their chapters. Special thanks to District treasurers (Charlotte Ward, Susan Walker, Kathleen Guillot, Carol Robertson, Suzanne Robichaux and Kay Person) who sent in D-1 forms. And finally thanks to Mary Bougere and Julia Soniat for sending in the convention financial report. All these submissions made possible complete reports for the C-1 tracking form and the S-1 for Louisiana. You help make my job easier.

#### Officer Notes:



SNAP IT! Yes, snap it each and every time your chapter has a meeting or special project. Send all you chapter pictures to me-Leona Benoit-Louisiana State Historian. Please e-mail photos to me at leonab@cox.net. Include your chapter's name and the word photo in the subject line so that I can create your chapter's photo file for the 2020-2022 archives. Write a caption for each picture which needs to include the name of the activity and a listing of member's names. Say CHEESE!!!

#### **Brendy Guillory - Vice President for Membership**

The Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA) is to be completed online and must be received at International headquarters by August 31st for a PEARL. It can be submitted online from August 1st to August 31st. Please make sure that a copy goes to me (brendyguillory@yahoo.com) and the Gulf Region Membership Chairman, Debbie Stubbing (stubingd@earthlink.net). The information from your chapter's H-114 is helpful when completing the CNA.

# An overview of what Alpha Delta Kappa offers CNA is due by August

31st!

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Under the Membership tab in right-hand column Script for PPT is available also Use as a recruitment tool Use for Fraternity Education

August 1, 2020

S64 New Prospective Member PP Check out this PowerPoint on the website

# Officer Notes:

#### **Betty Stockholm - State Secretary**

Secretaries .... Make sure you are sending your minutes to Leslie Koenck, Louisiana State President-Elect <u>lkoenckadk@qmail.com</u>

#### **Barbara Stainback - Immediate Past President**

<u>Convention Refunds - I just received an update from Mary Bourge, Convention Chair.</u> The first leg of the process is to return funds that were stipulated for meals. To date, all bills have been paid regarding the convention itself. We even received a refund that we were not counting on from the florist that was making the center piece in front of the head table. A blessing that we were not counting on that is greatly appreciated.

<u>Door Prize Money-</u> We still have a few chapters that did not pay their \$20 for the door prizes. Please take care of that as soon as possible.

- State Founder's Day & 2018 2020 Biennium Celebration Do you remember playing the games "Candyland", "Chutes and Ladders," or "Sorry "? Didn't it make you mad when you were close to winning and the next card you pulled or roll of a dice made you go back to the beginning? I feel that is the way our lives have been with the different phases required in opening up the state. Since our time in Phase 2 was extended, we are hard pressed to look into our crystal ball and see if we will be at Stage 4 by October 10th. So, this will be a virtual state meeting. We would love for a chapter to volunteer to do the Founder's Day Ceremony. International put out guidelines for virtual meetings. Each district and chapter's situation may differ according to your size. You will get more information soon.
- <u>Immediate Past Chapter Presidents</u> Thank you to all the sisters that participated in the State Officer Training ZOOM meeting. Now is the time as your chapter starts to get organized to begin reviewing your chapter bylaws and start bringing them up to date. Last biennium's immediate past presidents did an excellent job so you have a great set to go by. They will be due to me by December 15, 2020. Let me know if you have any questions. My number is 337-378-9581 or email me at: <u>babsmc1973@gmail.com</u>.

Barbara Stainback



Something is coming that has never happened before.... The All Regions Virtual SUPER CONFERENCE...

The All Regions Virtual Conference is Saturday, August 29 th, 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. ET, with each region holding its own Premiere Event on Friday evening, August 28th. By now you may have received information about how to register; I have also included it below and you can access all of the information at

https://www.adkregionalconference.com/

**LEADERSHIP Speakers** 

Skeptical Reading
Strategies for
the Classroom and Beyond

**Additional Officer Training** 

Tour of Italy

**GOOGLE Training** 

**Book Talks** 

Laughter Yoga

Terrariums:

Gardens In Glass

Just a few of the seminars you can attend virtually.



#### Pamela Hughes' BIO for Louisiana's ADK Excellence in Education Award

Submitted: July 30, 2020

Pamela Hughes, Ascension Parish Coordinator for Special Education, has been named the 2020 Excellence in Education Award by Alpha Delta Kappa. ADK is an international organization comprised of teachers dedicated to "educational excellence, altruism, and world understanding." The state award committee chose Hughes in view of her ongoing commitment to altruism with her Eta Chapter, ability to bridge school and community partnerships and professional dedication. Her teaching excellence is evidence by the following recognitions in 2013: Pecan Grove Primary's Teacher of the Year, Ascension Parish Primary School Teacher of the Year, Regional award recipient and honored as a 2013 Louisiana Primary State Finalist.

Pam grew up in Watson, LA, but now calls Prairieville home. She and her husband Preston have three beautiful daughters and three active grandsons. Pam earned her master's degree in educational leadership and holds certifications in Business and Office Education, Special Education and as a Teacher Leader. She is currently attending Nichols State University pursuing her early interventionist certification.

Pam is entering her 33<sup>rd</sup> year as an educator. Her current responsibilities as a special education coordinator include supporting Early Childhood special education classrooms across the parish and working collaboratively with other primary schools. Meeting every student's unique needs is a high priority in Pam's pedagogy. This is represented by her investment and training in a supplemental math program and Visual Phonics which utilizes hand cues to offer kinesthetic sensations to help develop oral motor awareness and sound-letter awareness. Pam is one of three licensed Visual Phonics trainers in the state of Louisiana. Providing job embedded professional development training opportunities in Ascension is a critical component of Pam's pursuit to share knowledge. Pam routinely presents on multiple educational topics at both the Louisiana Super Conference for Special Education and the Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana summer conference, where she was recognized as a Spotlight Presenter in 2018. She also has appeared on Louisiana Public Broadcasting in educational discussion panels and served on various state educational committees. Pam has been part of several grants and awards that have brought over \$200,000 to Ascension schools.

# Excellence in Education Award Winner

Pam was inducted into ADK in 2014 and is serving as club historian. "Participating in our various altruistic outreaches is one of two major reasons I am personally committed to ADK. The second being the personal fellowship and professional support within our sisterhood." In her commitment to her chosen field of special education, Pam serves as Vice President on the Arc of Ascension Board of Directors. The Arc promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes. In 2017, Pam was chosen as "Lion of the Year" by the Gonzales Lions Club. Currently she is serving her second year as club president and is actively involved on numerous committees, which she feels is a honor and privilege. "We Serve" is the motto of Lionism worldwide and Pam embraces that belief. To promote literacy and fellowship, Pam spearheaded an initiative for educators and community members to join together each summer with students in students in a low, socio-economic status area to read, distribute books and celebrate the beginning of another school year. She also serves on the LA Lions Camp state committee for an outdoor summer camp experience for the youth of Louisiana with special needs, respiratory disorders, juvenile diabetes, and childhood cancer. Additionally, Pam serves as Vice President of the Gonzales Committee for Cultural Affairs. GCCA promotes the City of Gonzales internationally through a 30+ year Twinning with Meylan, France. GCCA works as a liaison between various cultural entities, while enhancing the lives and environment of the citizens of Gonzales.

Pam will represent Louisiana at the Gulf Regional Conference, along with the state winners from Alabama, Georgia, Jamaica, Florida, Mississippi, and Puerto Rico. Due to COVID-19 precautionary guidelines, this year's convention will be held virtually. ADK is truly an international organization as apparent by the inclusion of Jamaica and Puerto Rico. The Excellence in Education Award is a biennial awarded by ADK International. Pam shared this sentiment: "This recognition by fellow educators is truly humbling. My family and I will treasure this prestigious award for many years to come."





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Chapter Theme \_\_\_\_\_

LOGO: Please attach or mail some a picture of your symbol.

Due AUGUST 31, 2020 to karenpevans1@gmail.com

Presidents...don't forget to send your Agenda and Monthly/Bi Monthly Newsletters to me.

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