The Sunflower Patch

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May 2021 Edition

Thoughts from the Patch:

Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa Newsletter

Dates to Remember:

June 20 "The Longest Day" -Alzheimer's Association

May 1- June 30 Do CNA (Chapter Needs Assessment online) - DUE JUNE 30

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July 5-16
International
Virtual
Convention

October 2
The 1st Louisiana
State Fun Day

We have almost made it through another school year. It is hard to believe that we are almost half way through 2021. As you end your ADK year, please don't forget to wrap up the paperwork.

I am loving this beautiful weather. We are taking walks in the evenings and spending more time outdoors. As I see the blooms in my yard, I think just a few months ago we were "snowed in". I am blessed that most of my plants survived.

If you or your chapter haven't made plans for the Longest Day...please do so. Get with a sister and do something fun, donate money to ALZ Association, and share what you and your chapter is doing. (More information on page 3)



Karen Evans

La. State President

Our Hashtag:

#sharingourloveofadk



I would love to share meeting photos with our Louisiana sisters. Please share your photos with me for the newsletter.



Contact Leslie to set up your Zoom.

lkoenckadk@gmail.com

If you have members that want to ZOOM instead of attend in person... Leslie would be happy to help you set this up.

Sister Chat....

The Executive Board is here for you. We are sisters helping sisters. We will have one or more off the board members online to answer your questions.

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 would love for you to join us.

NEXT SISTER CHATS:

Our next sister chat will be in September.

Meeting ID: 857 4258 5441

Passcode: agnes

NEW MEETING ID

Join Zoom SISTER CHAT Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85742585441?pwd=VFISakhQR3VIL2x OZjFNWHU0QWZFUT09





By: Suzanne Robichaux, State Altruistic Chairman

The Longest Day is the day with the most light—the summer solstice. On June 20th, people from across the world will fight the darkness of Alzheimer's through a fundraising activity of their choice.

Check out on google "The Longest Day activities" which will provide a list of activities such as exercises, sports and games, etc.. Click on one and it will give you the "how to plan" a fundraiser.

Enjoy the day with family, friends or Alpha Delta Kappa sisters to raise money for one of our International altruistic project.

CHECK OUT their site and get involved:

https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=14244&pg=entry

We encourage **EACH** chapter to donate

to the Alzheimer's Association. You may

do this by sending it to the ADK Foundation

at Headquarters or forming a team for your

chapter.

International Immediate Past President, Sue Pelchat



International Convention July 5-16 World Understanding Project:



ALL MEMBERS VOTE!

efore casting your vote, you will want to take the opportunity to read about each of the three proposals found on the next three pages.

Once you have made your choice, you are ready to access the VOTING CENTER* to cast your vote.

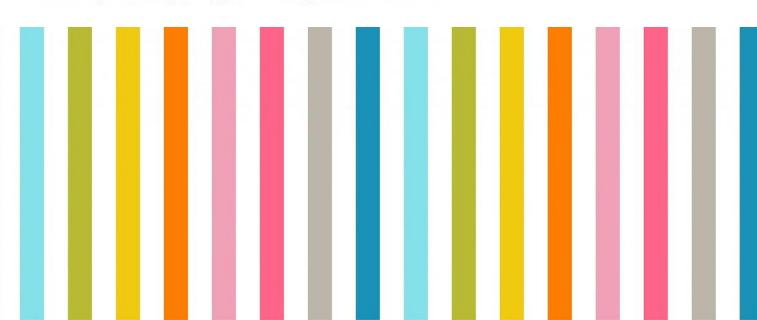
All Alpha Delta Kappa members may vote to select one of these deserving projects as the 2021-2023 International World Understanding Project. VOTING TAKES PLACE BETWEEN JUNE 1 AND JUNE 30. The announcement of the new International Project will take place at the International Convention in July. Donations may be sent to the Foundation after the International Convention. The targeted goal for the selected project is \$50,000.

VOTING CENTER OPEN

Tuesday, June 1 at 1:00 PM EDT and closes Wednesday, June 30 at 12:59 PM EDT.

ALL MEMBERS HAVE ONE VOTE!

- To access the Voting Center for the World Understanding Project you will need your member ID number (the 5-digit number above your name on the back of your KAPPAN magazine or find it on your profile page in the international directory)
- Once you SUBMIT your ballot, it may not be changed.
- · Be sure you review your responses before you click SUBMIT



World Understanding Project Proposals

CHEAR

Making a Children's Home with Education and Agriculture a Reality in Tanzania

The Harambee Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

WEB PAGE:

www.harambeefoundation.org



Project CHEAR's mission is to empower disadvantaged children and youth in Babati, Tanzania through education. We are the only service of its kind in a region of 1.4 million. CHEAR will allow us to complete a 44 bed children's home and build a school with a library technology center. We serve underachieving and illiterate children living in our rented Centre and the community. Certified teachers instruct our students. Establishing agricultural areas containing gardens, fruit trees, and livestock will promote life-skills and long-term self-sustainability. Making this pioneer project a reality frees our children from a life of poverty.

RISE

Reaching and Inspiring Students in Ethiopia

The Community Project: Ethiopia is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization

WEB PAGE:

http://communityproject.org



Project R.I.S.E. (Reaching and Inspiring Students in Ethiopia) seeks funds to build a new 2nd/3rd grade school building in Chole Village, Ethiopia. If funded, this four-classroom building could enable The Community Project: Ethiopia to double the number of young pupils its campus serves. The campus already includes Wegagen School (four classrooms, for grades K-1); a large donated playground structure (in daily use by children of all ages); learning and seed propagation gardens (young bamboo plants and young apple trees); a hand-washing station; two clean composting latrines; and a small block-making factory.

World Understanding Project Proposals

Sewing Seeds of Hope

Bethania Kids is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

WEB PAGE:

www.bethaniakids.org



Sewing Seeds of Hope will provide destitute teens and women in the poor hillside village of Mahanaim, South India, with the critical skills, emotional, economic, and social support and self-confidence needed to assist their families and transform their lives for generations to come, breaking the desperate cycle of poverty. The A Δ K World Understanding Project will make possible a modern permanent facility, the Mahanaim Vocational Training and Community Center, where 40 villagers, including girls, women, and differently-abled persons will learn sewing, knitting, embroidery, tailoring, mat-weaving, and basket-making skills, and develop a sustainable market for their products – resulting in new productive lives.

These projects are all wonderful help to their area of the world. If you need more information you may find it on the international website or the Webpage for the project.



Each chapter is allowed 2 convention delegates that are registered for the convention.

Convention delegates will be voting:

May 17-24 Voting for Officer Candidates

May 17-24 Voting for International Altruistic Project

May 17-19 Voting Open for amendments coming from delegates

June 15-30 Bylaws and Resolutions

Voting begins at 1:00 p.m. on the first day and ends at 11:59 p.m. on the last day.

Louisiana sisters if you are not attending International Convention, please make your voices heard. Look at the changes that are being proposed and let your delegates and the Louisiana Executive Board know your thoughts.

International Convention Altruistic Project

Down Syndrome Association of Central Texas

Donations may be made to the International Altruistic project, Downs Syndrome Assoc. of Central Texas, through the Alpha Delta Kappa website: www.alphadeltakappa.org>International Convention> DSACT or the DSACT website: www.dsact.org/donate. Please put "Alpha Delta Kappa" in the Comments section if you donate electronically. Prefer to send a check? Send it to DSACT (mailing address is on both websites) or to Paula O'Neill, Chairman of the Convention Charity Project, and she will forward it to DSACT. Paula O'Neill: 242 Shady Hill Dr. Richardson, TX 75080

Where are my pearls?





Now 1 know they say DIAMONDS are a girl's best friend...but in Alpha Delta Kappa ...
WE LOVE AND CHERISH our PEARLS.

The AAK PEARLS of Achievement Award Checklist (June 1-May 31)

Ch	Criteria	Officers Responsible for Report	Submit To Whom	Date Due For a Pearl	Date(s) Submitted by Chapter
1	Initiation and /or reinstatement of member(s) ONLINE Registration	Chapter President and Membership Chairman	International Headquarters	June 1 – May 31 (throughout the year)	
2	Annual Chapter Highlights Summary (H-114)*	Chapter Secretary	International Headquarters	June 30	
3	Chapter member(s) attended Regional Conference or International Convention	Tracked by HQ and Regional Conference Registrars	Not applicable	July	
4	Chapter Needs Assessment*	Chapter Membership Chairman and Chapter President	S/P/N Membership Consultant & Regional Membership Consultant	May 1- June 30	
5	IRS Form 990-EZ* or 990-N Postcard*	Chapter Treasurer	IRS through AΔK Website	Oct. 15	
6	Member Payment Record with dues paid (H-138)	Chapter Treasurer	International Headquarters	Jan 31 postmark **	
7	Altruistic Report*	Chapter Altruistic Chairman	S/P/N Altruistic Chairman	March 15	

How many pearls will your chapter earn? Keep working hard to become a 7 PEARL CHAPTER!

Join the Executive Board for 2022-2024

Looking for Sisters to Serve



Hello Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters,

Calling for 2022-2024 Leaders of Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa.

You became a member of Alpha Delta Kappa because you were recognized as an outstanding woman educator with superb leadership qualities. Our state organization needs sisters to apply for this excellent opportunity to lead LA Alpha Delta Kappa into the future.

Dolly Parton said, "If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then you are an excellent leader." Her statement reflects each sister's leadership qualities!

As outlined in the Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa Policies and Procedures, the 2022-2024 state officer candidate qualification form will be sent out by April 2021. The Candidate Qualification form is attached to this email. Also attached is a list of state officers and committee chairmen.

Please take some time to reflect on your love and commitment to Alpha Delta Kappa. Serving as a state officer is an honor and privilege to support your $A\Delta K$ sisters.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sharon Glasscock, Candidate Qualifications Chairman.

Leslie Koenck
Louisiana President-Elect
Alpha Delta Kappa
International Organization for Women Educator

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Things to do....

Important

June 20 "The Longest Day" - Alzheimer's Association PLAN an EVENT for YOUR CHAPTER

June 30 C-1 Treasurer's Report due to State Treasurer

June 30 H-114 Chapter Highlights due to International

June 30 CNA Deadline to International ** (See Note Below)

July 5-16 ATTEND International Virtual Convention

October 2

The 1st Louisiana State Fun Day!

More information coming soon!

We would LOVE participation from **EVERY CHAPTER**.

**NEW CNA DEADLINE! The Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA) form is due June 30th each year. The ONLINE from form will be available May 1 - June 30 for your convenience. Submit the CNA form by June 30, earn your chapter a Pearl, and enjoy your summer!

Officer Notes:



Make plans to attend our 1st Louisiana State Fun Day on Saturday, Oct. 2. More information to come soon!

<u>Jane Crews - State Treasurer</u>

Your chapter's fiscal year should be ending May 31st. Make plans for an audit committee to review your books so the —1 form can be filed by June 30th.



Brendy Guillory - Vice President for Membership

CMC CORNERSTONE

MEMBER NEEDS ASSESSMENT

WHO? The Chapter Membership Chairman

WHAT? Provides a copy for each chapter member

WHY? To gather information from your members

To help plan programs for next year

To help set your S.M.A.R.T. goals for next year

WHEN? NOW in the spring

WHERE? At your chapter meeting

Pages 32-33

Membership Development Manual

May 1, 2021

Brendy Guillory - Vice President for Membership

The Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA) must be completed online between May 1st and June 30th for a PEARL.

If you have any questions please call (985-637-2313) or email (brendyguiillory@yahoo,com.

Officer Notes:

Leona Benoit - State Historian

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!!!



To those chapters who have sent in pictures.

We appreciate it!!!

The Longest Day is June 20. I would love to see more teams signed up to raise money for The Alzheimer's Association.

CHECK OUT their site and get involved: https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=1424
48pq=entry

CHECK this OUT...

SHIRTS, FLAGS, PINS, and Bracelets

On the state website: laalphadeltakappa.org THE PEARL DROP SHOPPE is now open for business. Click on

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Pearl Drop Shoppe

Click on the link below to order an item from the Pearl Drop Shoppe. Items, along with pictures, are listed on the form below.

These are the steps to order:

- 1. Fill out the Google Form.
- 2. Check your email for an invoice.
- 3. Print out the invoice and mail it, along with your check, to the address listed on the invoice.

The next Louisiana State Convention in March 2022 will be held in Shreveport!

The State Altruistic Project for State
Convention in 2022 will be The Shriner
Hospital for Crippled Children. The first ever
Shrine Hospital was in Shreveport, Louisiana.



ADK Family Legacies

This mother/daughter duo have been a part of Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa for many years.

Sandra is a golden sister from Alpha Kappa Chapter. She has served in many leadership roles including Louisiana State President.

Karen Bush, also from Alpha Kappa Chapter, is following her Mama's Leadership footsteps by serving in several chapter offices. She is currently serving as Alpha Kappa President.

Karen Bush and Sandra Townsend - another great Alpha Delta Kappa Family Legacy!







