## The Sunflower Patch

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April 2021 Edition

Thoughts from the Patch:

Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa Newsletter

## Dates to Remember:

#### April 30 Membership Campaign ENDS

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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International
Virtual
Convention

October 2
The 1st Louisiana
State Fun Day!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter holiday. We attended church, had a small family gathering, and our grandson, Asher, hunted eggs in our backyard. The weather was perfect!

I am so excited to share that we had our FIRST in person Executive Board meeting in over a year! It was wonderful to see all of the fabulous ladies (in person) that serve our state so well. We were able to sit down and plan upcoming activities and take care of past, present, and future business.

We have great things in store for our state. Make sure to check out the newsletter each month to be up to date on State and International activities.



Karen Evans

La. State President

I hope to see lots of sisters on SISTER CHAT Sunday, April 11 at 4 pm.\*

\*Be the first to know about State Day information.

# 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:**

Apr 11, 2021 4:00 pm

May 9, 2021 at 4:00 pm

Meeting ID: 858 1021 4859

Passcode: agnes

On March 27, 2021 the Louisiana Executive Board voted to make an Altruistic donation to THE HAVEN. If you recall, The Haven, was the State Altruistic Project for the 2020 State Convention. Since we were not together at convention to contribute, the board decided to donate \$500 to this worthwhile charity in honor of all of our Louisiana Sisters. We thank each of you for helping Alpha Delta Kappa remain a vital part of Louisiana.



SCHOLARSHIPS are due by March 15!

You may check the Louisiana Alpha Delta Kappa website for the forms.

https://www.laalphadeltakappa.org/

Agnes Miller Scholarship

Mildred McCormick Scholarship

These may be scanned and emailed to the LA Scholarship Chairman.

Ruby Blackwell

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## **2021 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

VIRTUAL July 5-16, 2021

Pathways Possibilities

**SAVE THE DATE!** Mark your calendars for July 5-16, 2021, and plan to attend the 2021 Alpha Delta Kappa Virtual International Convention! Check your eblasts and the  $A\triangle K$  website for up-to-the-minute information.

#### SCHEDULE INFORMATION

- July 5: Regional Membership Seminars (Monday)
- July 6-9: Educational Symposium (Tuesday-Friday)
- July 12: Pre-Convention Meetings (Monday)
- July 13-16: International Convention (Tuesday-Friday)

#### DAILY SCHEDULE **JULY 13-16**

Two 2-hour sessions with a 1-hour break

- First Session 1 p.m.-3 p.m. ET
- BREAK
- Second Session 4 p.m.-6 p.m. ET (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
- Second Session 3 p.m.-5 p.m. ET (Friday)

#### SPECIAL SESSIONS

- EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT Thursday, July 15 7 p.m. ET
- MEMORIAL SERVICE Friday, July 16 1 p.m. ET
- INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS Friday, July 16 7 p.m. ET

#### **STARTING TIMES** IN OTHER TIME ZONES

7 a.m. Honolulu (no DST)

10 a.m. Pacific (DST)

11 a.m. Mountain (DST)

12 p.m. Central (DST)

1 p.m. Eastern (DST)

2 p.m. San Juan (DST)

4 a.m. the next day in Brisbane (DST)

5 a.m. the next day in Melbourne (DST)









#### **HEADS UP!**

Each chapter has <u>two delegates</u> to the Virtual International Convention. They must be <u>elected</u>, <u>registered</u>, and \$100 registration paid by April 30 in order to participate and vote on:

- Officers
- Bylaws and Resolutions
- Altruistic Project(s)
- World Understanding Project (all members vote)

  <u>Voting will take place BEFORE the convention</u>

  <u>during May and June</u>. Please refer to the <u>Convention</u>

  <u>Calendar on Page 4 of the Convention Guidebook on</u>

  the website.

See the attached Convention Magazine for more information.

Where are my pearls?



Now I 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	Institution 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!



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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>

New initiates do not need to pay state dues until the following year. International dues are to be paid online. A badge should be obtained for the new member.

**Reinstated members** are required to pay state dues. International dues are paid online, but a check is still required as payment of \$15 of state dues.



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



Please share this information with your Chapter President, Chapter Membership Chairman (CMC), and members during an in-person meeting or via ZOOM.

The Membership Campaign ends on April 30th. Our strength is in our sisterhood and in the love and support we give to each other. Share your love of Alpha Delta Kappa by recruiting and retaining members. At the state level, the chapter with the most new and reinstated members will receive a \$50 donation to the chapter's altruistic project. New and reinstated members names will be entered into a drawing for a \$20 gift card to one of the following: Teacher's Pay Teachers, Dollar Tree, Walmart, or local restaurant. Thank you for all of your hard work in making this membership campaign successful.

## 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 <a href="mailto:leonab@cox.net">leonab@cox.net</a>. 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: <a href="https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\_id=1424">https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\_id=1424</a>
<a href="48pq=entry">48pq=entry</a>



# 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

is now open for business. Click of

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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.





Let's get to know Leslie Koenck State President-Elect!

Getting to know the State Officers – Leslie Koenck

I did not come to education as my first profession. I am a registered nurse with my BSN. I worked as a labor and delivery nurse for a short time before leaving to teach. I began my education career in a classroom that the teacher had resigned because the kids were "hard to handle." I taught 8<sup>th</sup> grade ELA for two years with a textbook that I could have had when I was in junior high school. The group of supportive teachers from that school also taught my husband, and needless to say, he was a handful from the stories told. I changed my certification to Mathematics, and my love affair with teaching began. I was in education for 31.5 years as a classroom teacher, math coach, and curriculum supervisor. Now that I am retired, my focus has changed to my grandchildren and traveling. I continue to keep our active educators in my daily prayers because they make a difference in children's lives! Thank you for continuing with the challenge!

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ADK Family

Legacies





Alpha Delta Kappa has been an influence in my life for many years. I would like to share with you my family that are also ADK sisters. In the top picture next to me, is my daughter, Jennifer Goode, who was initiated in February of 2020, and my mother, Frances West, who is a Sapphire Sister. In the second picture is My sister, Susanne Broocks. We are all members of Louisiana Tau Chapter. I am proud to have these ladies as my sisters.

\*\*If you know of any Louisiana Legacies...please send me a picture and information.



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We are ready to make Chapter visits... if you would like for one of us to attend your chapter meeting... don't hesitate to ask. We are happy to come and tell you all about the exciting upcoming events!