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Summer is Here – What a Summer so Far

As I get this newsletter going I think of the last 2 months. In June International had voting on several issues. It went well for me...even while watching 3 children and taking them to their summer activities.

I was able to accomplish some items with my Dad's Estate. I cleaned out most of my Dad's house. Items were taken by relatives, donated, and sold at auction. My garage is full along with at least 3 rooms in my house from items I cherished, my brothers' items, and all the legal papers (bills, documents...).

July was just as busy. The 4th of July and July 29th (Dad's birthday) was quite different celebrating without Dad. The city tore up my street for the 3rd summer. This summer they replaced water mains on my street. Before we were just the

staging area. Now I leave at 7 and am home around 5:30. The workers are trying to make sure I get into my drive at those times Monday – Saturday. If I try earlier there is a giant hole in front of drive.

I went through 8-10 tubs of pictures for the scrapbook and video for my Dad's Celebration of Life. My daughters helped with the video, scrapbook, and Dad's house cleaning. They didn't know what they were volunteering for: only 1 tub was out at that time.

International Convention was very interesting with 3 children to watch also. I really enjoyed the Convention because I could attend more sessions. I also had a lot more emails during this time to answer (and even before)

My youngest daughter moved into a new house and my youngest grandson had his 1st birthday.

July also brought sadness for Lambda: Judy Addicks joined Omega, Peggy Brown moved into Assisted Living, and another Sister lost her daughter.

Wow! I learned a lot and I grew a lot. I am rooted for this growth because of my roots from God, my family, friends, and all my Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters. Thank you immensely!

I am blessed and hope you have been blessed as well. Let's continue to grow and plant seeds of learning together!

Daisy Dates

July 31st: S-1 and S-2 Annual State Treasurer's Reporting Forms to Headquarters deadline

August: Officer Packets emailed to Chapter and S/P/N Presidents (also on website), Eblast

August 31st – Distinguished Program Award Deadline

September 15th – State and Chapter Treasurer Packets emailed

September 18 – State Board Meeting in Normal, IL

20th - State Membership CNA checklist to RMC

30th – Submit State Convention Date, City, and Hotel



Convention Duties: A list of responsibilities will be handed out in September at Board Meeting (Integrating Bees with Daisies)

Scrapbook pages: I will send you home with a page for the Scrapbook for your chapter. Please complete front and back with your Chapter activities – due at January Meeting

Please have your **State Board reports** ready for the meeting: 30 copies 3 holed punched, and numbered. If you are not attending please send a copy to me by the 1st so I can copy enough.

If you participated in the Convention – please add your thoughts.

Lunch at Board Meeting will be provided by Lambda. We are still working on our plan.

Reflect and Connect

Send notes, emails, pictures, articles for next Newsletter. Also I should be able to start visiting soon. Please invite me – once school starts it will be easier for me.

Thanks

3 T's – Teamwork – Talent - Time

Now is a great time to “Step Forward Together”. Join our IL AΔK State Board in the next biennium (April '21 – April '23). Maybe you know a few sisters in your chapter you'd like to encourage to fill leadership roles.

Our state board meets three times a year, usually in Bloomington. We met virtually this past year, so that's always an option. Or join a state committee. “Share the

Love” and use your talents to do a yearly task or fill a one-time role during the biennium.

Sign up now! Contact Valerie Johnson, IL State President Elect at 815/262-9717 or val.johnson3553@comcast.net

Membership Page

CMC CORNERSTONE

August 1, 2021

LAMP OF ALPHA DELTA KAPPA

- Δ *Was written by the children of founder Marion Southall in 1951.*
- Δ *It is tradition and common practice to sing at meetings and events to honor our sisterhood.*
- Δ *Singing of the "Lamp of Alpha Delta Kappa" is optional.*



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

CONVENTION SPOTLIGHT: PEARL SPIES (90), ILLINOIS IOTA

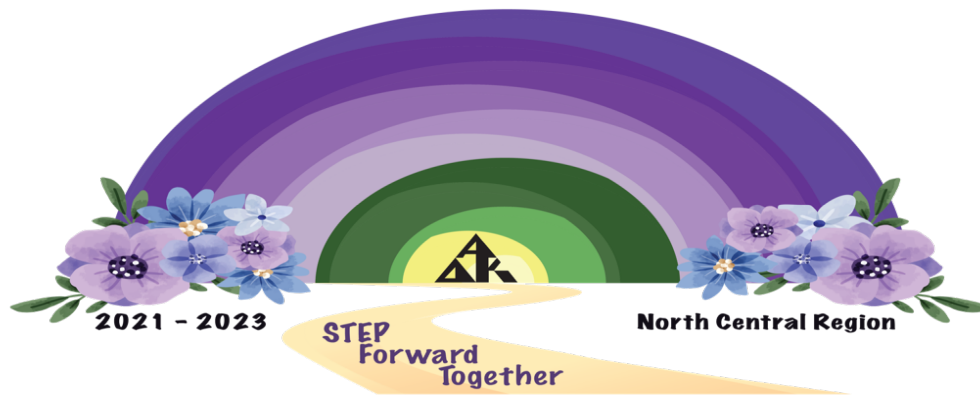


Pearl Spies is one amazing AΔK member—a Diamond Sister who will celebrate 68 years in our organization on 12/30/21. She served twice as Illinois State President in two different decades. A past North Central Region International Vice President, Pearl planned and presided at the 1974 North Central Regional Conference in Chicago. She has attended many International conventions and regional conferences over the years. In 1953, Pearl met with our Founder, Agnes Shipman Robertson, in a hotel in Belleville, Illinois. She was a 23-year-old elementary teacher who was employed after only two years of college. She accepted Agnes' invitation and has felt so enriched by her membership. What has she valued the most? The friendships, especially in her own chapter, have been so invaluable, and she has "learned so much" from her sisters. She values "what AΔK tries to do and has accomplished." She stressed that "we have held pretty steady, but we must continue to change as times change, which is not an easy thing to do."

When asked about her survival through COVID, Pearl said she quarantined at home except for two doctor appointments, "lost some physical strength," had groceries delivered, used a cleaning service, was checked on by chapter members frequently and received her first Moderna shot on February 4. When asked about life in general, Pearl responded, "I try to always stay upbeat. What else can you do?" She became computer savvy in the early 2000s and is excited to be a part of our 32nd virtual International Convention.

— Ellen Roderick, Maryland Beta

North Central Theme: Ann Ainslie



International Logo

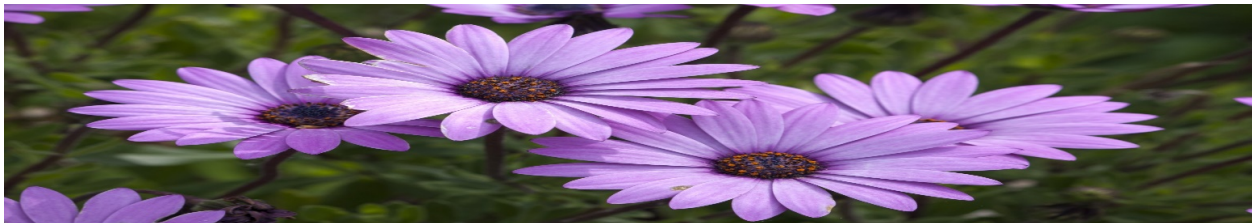
Mollie Acosta 2021-23 International President

ALPHA DELTA KAPPA EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD FRATERNITY EDUCATION Please promote the Excellence in Education (EiE) Award at the April, May and June chapter meetings of the odd-numbered year by using the following information. Purposes: This is Alpha Delta Kappa's educator of the biennium award. As an organization that promotes excellence in education, it is an essential program that was designed to recognize members for outstanding contributions in education, to promote the goals and purposes of Alpha Delta Kappa (AΔK), to increase the visibility of the organization and to offer an additional benefit for being a member. Why should chapter members nominate sisters? Imagine how honored a member would feel to be recognized by her sisters as an exemplary educator. Members that are active educators may also self-nominate. Furthermore, picture how proud the chapter members would be if the nominee is the recipient at the State/Province/Nation (S/P/N) level and goes on to be recognized at the regional level. The regional recipient receives an award of \$500 from the AΔK Foundation. That regional recipient would then be eligible to receive the highest recognition at the International level which includes a monetary grant of \$5,000 to use for educational purposes. This is a once in a biennium opportunity for recognition!

We will talk more about this at the State Board!

This is due August 31st – so don't let it slip away!

Alpha Delta Kappa Distinguished Program Award (DPA) is designed to recognize chapters with outstanding programs that promote involvement & attendance of members, plus attract the attention of prospective members through creativity and uniqueness. Eligibility: Chapters may submit one program per year. Only programs presented during the most recently completed year are eligible. Deadline: Chapter entries are to be submitted online between August 1 – August 31. Rules: • Entries must be 250 words or less to be considered (this is indicated by the word count provided by Microsoft Word.) • Photographs may be requested, if available. • All entries become the property of Alpha Delta Kappa and may appear on the website and/or in the KAPPAN. The entries will not be returned. Award: Each region's Distinguished Program Award winning entry will be featured in the KAPPAN. If a chapter's entry is selected to be published, pictures will be requested. The top five entries from each region will also be posted on the International Website.



We are meant to grow together! Just a couple of final thoughts: Check out Convention Action (lots to read), ask questions, and I will be helping Ann, Roberta, Anita, and Sheila with the Regional Conference. Keep Growing Sisters!

