



The Violet's Voice

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President's Corner

Well, the 2020-2022 biennium is certainly off to an unusual start. As we all know, due to the coronavirus, our State Convention scheduled for May 2, 2020 had to be cancelled. It was a beautiful spring day, so typical of many of our State Convention days. I woke up that morning thinking of all of you and was disappointed that we would not be together, but these are unprecedented times. We are strong and we will weather this storm and be together again. The State Executive Board for the 2020-2022 biennium was to be installed at State Convention by Past International President, Sue Pelchat. Although the officers were installed by acclamation, an installation ceremony will occur at our Founders' Day ceremony on October 22, 2020 at The Gallery in Glastonbury. However, I would like to present to you the State Officers for the 2020-2022 biennium:

Jessica Morin	Alpha	President of Presidents' Council
Joyce McAloon	Alpha Gamma	Immediate Past President
Meredith Barker	Pi	Vice President of Membership
Margaret Genetti	Mu	Chaplain
Barbara Hargraves	Kappa	Historian
Sue Truglio	Eta	Sergeant-at-Arms
Christa Cote	Alpha	Corresponding Secretary
Julie Butryman	Alpha	Recording Secretary
Paula Barry	Gamma	Treasurer
Charlotte Zenzick	Kappa	President-Elect
Linda Shaw	Kappa	President

In addition, I would like to present to you the Committee Chairs for the 2020-2022 biennium:

Maureen LaFrancis	Kappa	Alpha Delta Kappa Month
Kerry King	Gamma	Bylaws/Policies and Procedures
Arline Rich	Alpha Alpha	Excellence in Education
Sheila Spellacy	Pi	Scholarship
Gabriel Backiel	Eta	Scholarship

Irene Veillette
Joan Cromwell
Roberta Avery
Sue Weber
Jean Kellogg
Andrea Yukna
Marie Koller
Denise Cooley
Charlene Lauria
Everyone

Psi
Eta
Beta
Alpha
Gamma
Alpha Alpha
Alpha
Gamma
Kappa

Scholarship
Fraternity Education
Altruistic
Courtesy
Candidate Qualifications
Legislative
Budget
World Understanding
Website
Publicity

A few dates to remember:

May 31-October 1	Chapter E-postcards
June 20, 2020	The Longest Day Celebration—Join our team in honor of Past State President, Judy Devokaitis at http://act.alz.org/goto/ADKTEAMJudy
June 30, 2020	Annual Chapter Highlights H-114—submit on line
July 15, 2020	Annual Chapter Reporting Form & Audit C-1—submit to Jean Kellogg 106 Carpenter Rd, Manchester 06042
August 1-31, 2020	Distinguished Program Award—submit on line
August 30, 2020	Chapter Needs Assessment Form—info to come
September 12, 2020	State Meeting, Berlin Congregational Church—ALL ARE WELCOME
September 15, 2020	Classroom Grant application due—info on AΔK website
October 1, 2020	Chapter Program Booklets due—to Linda Shaw
October 15, 2020	Regional Mini Scholarship application due—info on AΔK website
October 22, 2020	Founders' Day—The Gallery, Glastonbury
November 7, 2020	State Meeting, Berlin Congregational Church—ALL ARE WELCOME

A few words about my biennium:

If you attended State Meeting, you about the heart and Alpha Delta Kappa. As I results and comments, I sisters think alike, and the heart of Connecticut the strength of Alpha words were repeated

both the heart and the strength of Connecticut Alpha Delta Kappa: words like sisterhood, altruism, members, outreach, compassion, community involvement, personal and professional growth, scholarship, inspiration, support, commitment. And thus, my theme “Our Heart is Our Strength” was born. The logo came a bit later. As I reread my Founders’ Day 2019 speech in which I likened our founders, Agnes Shipman Robertson, Marie



theme and logo for the

the November 2019 participated in an activity strength of Connecticut read over the activity realized Connecticut there is no separating Alpha Delta Kappa and Delta Kappa. The same over and over to describe

Neal, Marion Southall, and Hattie Poppino to trees, I decided to incorporate a tree in the logo. And the 13 hearts, rather than leaves on the tree, represent Connecticut's 13 chapters.

The Opportunity Project

It was a difficult decision.... but to ensure the health and safety of sisters in the Northeast Region, our conference that was to take place this summer in New Jersey has been postponed until the summer of 2022. However, Mary Ey has requested that we honor and support the altruistic project that was planned for the 2020 NER Conference. **The Opportunity Project** supports adolescents and young adults who have experienced traumatic brain injury due to accidents. Donations can be made to the NER Altruistic Project by forwarding a check, made payable to Alpha Delta Kappa NE Regional Conference, to Deborah Kalanta, 230 Martool Drive, Woodbridge, NJ 07095. Be sure to include a notation, NER Altruistic Project, on the memo line. Checks must be mailed by August 1, 2020. Now, more than ever, with limitations placed on the types of services provided by The Opportunity Project, our support will be appreciated.

Stay tuned.....

A multi-regional virtual conference is being planned for this summer. What can we expect? Who knows? But the IVPs and International Chapter are hoping to include live events, webinars, and power points. So.... stay tuned for more information.

In closing..... I couldn't help but think of you, my Alpha Delta Kappa sisters, when I read this poem.

Mirror, mirror on the wall,
it doesn't matter if I'm short or tall,
if I have skinny legs or my hips
are wide, it only matters who I am
inside. Blue eyes, brown eyes,
black or green. What makes me
beautiful can't be seen. When
you look at me don't judge me by
my parts. The most beautiful thing
about me is my heart.
by Kim Uliana

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