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Kappa's Roots Grow Deep

by Marcelle Bridgeman 2010-2011 National President, Milledgeville GA

WOW, what an exciting and unusual nine months. I thought my previous five years on the National Executive Committee had prepared me for anything. Boy was I wrong! Losing both our salaried employees at the same time has presented a lot of challenges for the Executive Committee. But as usual with Kappa, when hard times come there are many Kappa members who step up to the plate. That is just what has happened. Special thanks go to Janice Luce, State President of Oklahoma and Tulsa resident and all the Oklahoma Kappas who have volunteered to work at headquarters during this time. Many of the Executive Committee are taking on jobs they never expected to do. Kappa's roots really do grow deep with loyalty and dedication.

The Hiring Committee spent a week interviewing many capable candidates for the positions of Executive Director and Administrative Assistant. Several candidates were superb and the choice was not an easy one. Read more about them in the accompanying article.

The spring will bring a time of traveling for me. I am looking forward to visits with Kappas in Florida, Hawaii, Missouri, and Texas.

Convention is approaching very quickly. I'm excited about conducting Kappa business, visiting Shreveport and seeing Kappas from all the different states. I hope to see you there!

Meet Our New Employees

The National Hiring Committee (Marcelle Bridgeman, Jeanne Blain, Chris Poole, Jean Adams) met on March 28 and 29 to interview candidates for Executive Director and Administrative Assistant for our fantastic organization. Eleven (11) candidates (men and women) were interviewed over the two

days and the choice for both positions was unanimous.

Our new Executive Director is a very knowledgeable, professional, and extremely personable candidate. Her name is Radious Guess. She has experience with the National PTA and is an adjunct professor at Northeastern



State University. She and her husband live in the Tulsa area and are active in their church and school activities. She started in the office April 11, 2011.

The new Administrative Assistant is a Kappa member from Tulsa who also impressed the committee with her enthusiasm, personality, and willingness to learn the ins and outs of membership and newsletters. Marilyn Bridges started her new position with us on April 1st. You will love talking to her on

the phone and hopefully you will also get to meet Marilyn in Shreveport.

Remember when calling headquarters that they are new and just learning to run the national office. Please give them your full support.



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National Executive and Business Committee Members gather at Headquarters in Tulsa, OK (I to r seated) Sue Hagan SC, Wanda Huhn LA, Linda Hilton KS, Jeanne Blain OH, Linda Smith OH, Marcelle Bridgeman GA, Laurie Konrad NE, (I to r standing) Chris Poole IA, Nancy Johnson NE, Sue Burden OK.

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CONVENTION UPDATES

HELLO HOLLYWOOD - What is better than a night out for dinner and a movie? Why a night out for dinner, entertainment and the Oscars! Come dressed as your favorite movie character, and you will be "nominated" for an award. There will be numerous categories, so choose any character from any movie to portray. Plan to attend Kappa's Night at the Oscars, Thursday, June 23, 2011. Winning nominees (you have to be in costume to be nominated) will be announced and lavished with honor, fame and prizes. There will also be a guest speaker to regale you with the movie highlights of Louisiana. Join us for an exciting evening of festivities, contests and Louisiana cuisine.

3-IN-1 TOUR - The description of the 3-in-1 Tour was left out of the tour descriptions in the Convention Issue. The Saturday afternoon tour will visit the beautiful RiverView Park in Shreveport with magnificent waterfall, arbor, and plantings. An enchanting tour on the Spirit of the Red River Cruise and Cross Bayou is next on the schedule, where the tour will show and tell you about the history of the Shreveport-Bossier City, the bridges of Ark-La-Tex, and the wildlife habitats along both of these scenic bodies of water. Next, you will cool off in the J. Bennett Johnson Museum learning of the Red River history, navigation, and exploration.

<u>CONVENTION CORSAGES</u> - Do not forget that plans have been made with a local florist to handle corsages for the Annual Banquet. Orders must be placed through the florist directly.

Convention Florist:

Margo's Specialty Flowers and Gifts 1-318-949-2110

STATE FLAGS AT NATIONAL CONVENTION - The State Presidents are reminded to be prepared to turn in their state flag at Registration. Flags will be placed on the poles for the Flag Practice on Wednesday afternoon. Please, remember to pick up your flag immediately following the First General Assembly.

Please, refer to the Convention Issue for all additional registration, workshop, tour, hotel, and schedule information or check online at: nationalkappakappaiota.org

Open Forum is Important!

By Wanda Huhn, Third Vice President

State Presidents have the opportunity in the fall to express their concerns and the concerns of their members, so do individual members at the National Convention. The Open Forum is an opportunity for all members at the convention to come and get answers to questions about Kappa. A member of the National Executive Committee will be present to facilitate the meeting. Kappa members can share ideas and voice opinions and concerns about topics that relate to our organization.

Take advantage of this opportunity. Come to National and attend the Open Forum. It will be Thursday, June 23 between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. Share your ideas and concerns so that we can meet the needs of our members.

NATIONAL KAPPA KAPPA IOTA PROPOSED BUDGET 2011 - 2012

| INCOME | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Dues/Fees | \$ | 98,870.00 | | | | | |
| St Sales/Vendors/TM/Conv Returns | | 500.00 | | | | | |
| Interest | | 600.00 | | | | | |
| Dividends/Capital Gains | | 1,000.00 | | | | | |
| Change in Market Value of Investments | | 4,000.00 | | | | | |
| Gifts-General Fund/HQ Maintenance | | 3,000.00 | | | | | |
| Gifts-Memorial Gardens | | 500.00 | | | | | |
| Parking/Rental/HQ | | 1,200.00 | | | | | |
| Merchandise Sales | | 5,500.00 | | | | | |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$ | 115,170.00 | | | | | |
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| EXPENSES | | | | | | | |
| Membership Development | | 2,850.00 | | | | | |
| National Convention | | 3,575.00 | | | | | |
| Prof Leadership Development | | 750.00 | | | | | |
| President's Expenses | | 500.00 | | | | | |
| Executive Committee Meetings | | 4,400.00 | | | | | |
| Other Committee Expenses | | 400.00 | | | | | |
| The Kappa Profile | | 7,327.00 | | | | | |
| Office/Administrative | | 10,905.00 | | | | | |
| Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits | | 67,841.03 | | | | | |
| Headquarters | | 10,857.00 | | | | | |
| Insurance | | 2,950.00 | | | | | |
| Philanthropy | | 100.00 | | | | | |
| Merchandise Goods/Supplies | | 2,500.00 | | | | | |
| Contingency | | 214.97 | | | | | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$ | 115,170.00 | | | | | |

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Each year, the Special Projects Committee sponsors a fund raising activity at our National Convention. This year's campaign will go towards replenishing our Capital Improvements Fund. Everyone can participate by purchasing opportunity chance tickets at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 for jewelry and electronic items valued at \$75+ each. Contact your State President to purchase tickets before the National Convention in June. You do not need to be present to participate. Tickets will also be available at the National Convention, where items will be displayed.

Jennifer Otradovec—Special Projects Chair 648 N. Park Pl. Bolivar, MO 65613

KAPPA KAPPA IOTA NATIONAL DONATION FORM

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| | State Chapter | Treasurer: N/A | | | | | | |
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| | eneral Headquarters <u>Maintenance</u> | | □ Iva Duggan | ☐ Ruth Foster McClain/Doctoral Candidates | | | | |
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

February 1, 2011—March 15, 2011

GENERAL FUND DONATIONS

Any Budgeted Area of Need In Memory of Ruth Foster

Delta, Omicron State/IA

Omicron State/IA Past State Presidents

National Executive Committee

Bronnie Rose, Epsilon State/AR -

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS DONATIONS

Rho State/NC

SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS

Undesignated/General Scholarship

Freda Prince, Epsilon State/AR

In Memory of Charlotte Kutscher

Rho State/NC

2011-12 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Kappa Kappa lota has several national scholarships available. The total number of scholarships is based on money available and number of qualified applicants. Scholarships are awarded for personal or professional enrichment, and are available to non-members, regular members, and campus members.

For details and applications, contact your State President, State Scholarship Chair.

JUNE 1, 2010 is the National Scholarship Committee deadline to receive scholarship applications for consideration; however states will have earlier deadlines to complete the process.

McNeese Campus Kappas **Sponsor Presentation**

Date

By Sandra J. Leder, Ph.D.

The McNeese Chapter of Campus Kappa lota sponsored a presentation by Karen Frost titled "What Dyslexia Is and Is Not." The presentation was attended by over 50 McNeese teacher candidates.

Ms. Frost is a first grade teacher who has received extensive training in the symptoms of dyslexia. She is a member of Upsilon Chapter, and this is an example of the types of activities that the two chapters coordinate. Upon graduation, McNeese Campus Kappas are invited to join Upsilon Chapter.

Dr. Sandra Leder briefly explained the purposes of Kappa Kappa lota to those in attendance. She distributed handouts with contact information.

KEMPE FOUNDATION

In making donations to our National Philanthropic Project -Kempe Foundation, make sure to include the Kempe Foundation Donation Form, and send to:

> ATTN: LAURIE NEILSEN THE GARY PAVILLION 13123 E 16TH AVE B390 AURORA, CO 80045

Past National President Veda McGinty

Past National President Veda McGinty joined the Omega Chapter on March 29, 2011. She received a BS from Oklahoma Northern Jr. College and an MBA at Oklahoma A&M. She began her career in education teaching at the Sapulpa High School in Sapulpa, OK and from there she joined the faculty at Will Rogers High School where she met and married her husband of 51 years, Martin E. McGinty. She was an associated professor in Business Education at Tulsa University.

Kappa Kappa lota lost a very special lady when Veda went home to be with the Lord. There was a not a finer lady, nor a better example of what Kappa members should be than Veda McGinty. Many of you newer members probably never met or knew Veda but for those of us who did, our lives were

enriched and we were blessed to have her in our lives. She exemplified what the founders of Kappa had in mind when they began our organization; love, loyalty, courage, faith and honor! May God be with her family during this difficult time and may we all thank God for bringing Veda into our lives! She was a friend and a sister!



Delta Chapter, Psi State (TN) Celebrated 100th Birthday of Mary Frances Brandon



Mary Frances Brandon celebrated her 100th birthday with a big celebration. Assisting with serving were the members of Delta Chapter. Mary Frances hosted the organizational meeting of this chapter, and her two daughters became charter members. Mary Frances and her deceased husband, M. B. Brandon, were educators, as well as their two daughters. Mary Frances was a classroom teacher and a Title I Supervisor. Combined this family has spent almost 200 years in education.