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# "Welcome to the Hop at National Headquarters"



With Socks in Hand,
National President Wanda Huhn
and the Executive Committee
Welcome the
2014-2015 State Presidents

Executive Committee, State Presidents and guests enjoyed "Kicking Up Their Heels for Kappa" during the 2014 Fall Meeting held in Tulsa, Oklahoma! Getting the business of Kappa Kappa lota accomplished, enjoying conversations with friends, making new friends, and the gift of fantastic fall weather made this meeting time extra special. The Executive Committee conducted their meeting at National Headquarters. Friday,

when State Presidents arrived, Tulsa Area Council greeted them at the Hospitality Room in the DoubleTree Hotel. That evening, the Executive Committee, the State Presidents and guests caravanned to Mimi's Café for dinner, conversations and laughter! After dinner, the attendees returned to the DoubleTree where Diane Cox, State Presidents' Chair, led the meeting. Saturday morning, National President Wanda Huhn presided over the meeting, with all of the Executive Committee members presenting important information in some very unique methods - the morning was packed full of excitement! After lunch at the DoubleTree,

the meeting reconvened and responses to State Presidents' concerns and questions were addressed by National President Wanda Huhn and the Executive Committee. Many of the State Presidents enjoyed a tour

of Tulsa on the Old Urban Trolley, complete with a tour guide from Tours of Tulsa. Following the tour, a 1950's Sock Hop was held on the grounds of National Kappa Kappa lota Headquarters. The oldest hamburger café in Tulsa, Brownies, brought their traveling grill, and the poodle skirts and rolled-up jeans truly did allow everyone to "Kick Up Their Heels for Kappa!" The "Sock-Hop" theme garnered donations of new socks by Kappa Sisters. Socks were given to the children of Tulsa's Homeless Shelter.



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KICK UP YOUR HEELS FOR KAPPA! 2014-2015 State Presidents/Representatives with National President Wanda Huhn

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# Kick Up Your Heels for Kappa! Wanda Huhn, National President, Eta State/LA

My visits began with an Installation of Officers and meeting of Beta Pi Chapter, Eta State/LA. Such a fun time was had enjoying dinner and the installation. As fall begins to arrive, it is so great to have cool nights, but still have warm days. The weather cooperated, and I was able to "dance" again to Chattanooga to visit Psi State/TN members at the Fall Orientation Meeting. I met prospective members and shared a few things about what Kappa does, my role as National President, and some of my Kappa experiences. What a great meeting, wonderful food, door prizes, and a gift of things made in Tennessee.

After this meeting, I arrived home on Sunday and left again on Wednesday for the Fall Executive Committee and State Presidents' Meeting. There were 17 states represented. Business was taken care of, a lovely lunch was enjoyed, and the group was able to go on a Trolley Tour of Tulsa, followed by a Sock Hop at National Kappa Headquarters. The Executive Committee and State Presidents dressed in 1950's style clothing and brought new socks for one of Tulsa's shelters as a philanthropic project. We collected 265 pairs of socks of various sizes. That will make some warm dancing toes this winter. Thanks go to Cheryl Lafargue from Louisiana for this idea.

I am looking forward to traveling to New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, and Texas. Plans are underway for membership events, dancing, Tri-Cities meetings, Kappa teas, Spring meetings, and conventions. "Have boots, will

travel." If your state hasn't arranged a visit and would like for me to come, please let me know soon.

As we go through the holiday season, remember to be thankful for your families, your jobs or retirement, and Kappa friends. We are so fortunate to live in America and have more than most nations in the world. I am thankful. Enjoy the Holidays and the reason for the season. Share special memories with your family and friends.

Remember, as you go through this year, that we want the progressive movement as in dance. It is hopeful that you have invited many new prospects to your meetings so that you can have new Kappa friends. We can't grow if we don't ask.





# 2015 Convention ~ Kick Up Your Heels in Branson, Missouri

**"Kick Up Your Heels",** and get ready to explore Branson. Branson offers countless entertainment shows, theme parks, hands on museums, and shopping. Our host will be the Chateau on the Lake, a "AAA" Four Diamond Five Star John Q. Hammons Hotel and Resort. The resort is located on White River/Table Rock Lake.

**Pre Tour, Monday, June 22 ~ Option 1-Welcome to Branson:** You will tour Historic Downtown Branson with a stop at Dick's 5 & 10, a Branson Landmark for over 50 years and a unique shopping experience! You will tour the College of the Ozarks, have lunch at The Keeter Center, and visit the Ralph Foster Museum, dedicated to the history of the Ozarks. The college is a fully accredited four-year college, and each full time student works at one of the 80 campus jobs or industries to pay in part for their cost of education. You will end the "Welcome to Branson "experience by attending a leading Branson show before returning to the Chateau.

**Option 2-A Day at Silver Dollar City:** You will experience and enjoy a day that helped Branson grow to be one of the country's most widely visited family theme parks. There is plenty to do from shows and entertainment, to over 30 rides and attractions, over 100 demonstrating craftsman, unique stores, and the Marvel Cave. Bring walking shoes. There is plenty of shade to stop and rest, and wheelchairs are available to rent on a first-come basis.

<u>Post Tour:</u> We will continue to "Kick Up Our Heels" by visiting Little Rock, Arkansas. We will kick it off with lunch on the Showboat Branson Belle and then travel to Little Rock for a relaxing evening at the River Market. Saturday will be spent visiting the Clinton Presidential Center, including the Presidential Library and Museum, and Little Rock Central High School, recognized for the role it played in the desegregation of public schools. We will end the day attending the Murray Dinner Playhouse. On Sunday, we will head to Bentonville, Arkansas to visit Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, enjoying the permanent collection of masterworks from the Colonial Era to Modern Day, including noted touring collections. We will travel through the beautiful Ozarks before arriving back at the Chateau Sunday evening.

# Yes, Virginia...We've Come A "Long Way"

At a Northwest Area spring meeting, Virginia King said, "You girls have really done a good job keeping the sorority going." I smiled as I thought, "Yes, Virginia....we've come a long way." You see, Virginia King of Alpha Chapter is a charter member of Alpha Chapter, Eta State/LA. Her membership date is February 1951. In 1955, Virginia was present as Alpha Conclave hosted the first Eta State Convention in Shreveport at the Washington-Youree Hotel.

In 63 years, Virginia has witnessed many changes: chapters, not conclaves; 503 (c)(3) Non-Profit organization, not a sorority; male members; more casual dress code, but through all the changes, teachers have always been expected to participate in Professional Development. During the time Virginia was teaching, documented case studies of individual students were part of the process. In order to obtain advance degrees, Virginia and other Kappa friends drove from Shreveport, LA (on Saturday) to a university in Nacogdoches, TX. It was important to Kappas then, as it is today, to continue to work at becoming the best teacher for students in the classroom.



Virginia King, Alpha Chapter and National President Wanda Huhn, Eta State/LA

Yes, Virginia, we have come a long way...and Professional Development continues to be an important part of our organization, Kappa Kappa lota.

Submitted by Mary Lou Hughes, Alpha Chapter, Eta State/LA

## KAPPAS ARE RECOGNIZED AT THE FAIR!



Tonya Boyle, Alpha State/OK, Epsilon Kappa Chapter in Broken Arrow was named Teacher of the Year in her district. In July, Tonya found out she was included in the top 12 finalists for Oklahoma State Teacher of the Year. On September 16, 2014, Tonya was recognized for her accomplishments during the Oklahoma State Fair. Tonya was honored and humbled for the recognition. She loves teaching and knows your heart has to be in it in order to be successful in today's culture. Tonya, a veteran educator with 23 years teaching experience, five which were in Kentucky and eighteen in Oklahoma. At this time. Tonva grade students Boyle enjoys teaching fifth Rhoades Elementary School in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Jennifer Otradovec, National Recording Secretary, and her mother Jane Otradovec, 2015 Convention Chair, both of Lambda Chapter, Zeta

State/MO at the **Ozark Empire Fair.** They received ribbons for their heautiful quilts



Alice Money, Nu Chapter, Beta State/NM sponsored the produce contest at the Otero County Fair. She and her husband, Jim, provided the trophies and presented them to the winners. They have sponsored that part of the County Fair for many years.





Pat McFarland, Kappa Chapter, Beta State/NM and Past State President, won the Championship ribbon for her plant at the Otero County Fair in Alamogordo, NM.

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Dancing in all its forms cannot be excluded from the curriculum of all noble education; dancing with the feet, with ideas, with words, and, need I add that one must also be able to dance with the pen?

~ Friedrich Nietzsche ~