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2015 CONVENTION ISSUE

National Kappa Kappa lota 66th Annual Convention June 22-25, 2015 - Branson, Missouri



"Kick Up Your Heels", pack your bags, and get ready to explore Branson, Missouri, the host city for the 2015 National Convention. Branson is located in the heart of the Ozarks and best known as a family-fun vacation spot. Branson is home of Silver Dollar City, Shepherd of the Hills, School of the Ozarks, championship golf courses, live performing theatres, lots of shopping, and sits on the shores of Lake Taneycomo and Table Rock Lake. Missouri Kappas are waiting and ready to "Show" you a good time from June 22-June 25, 2015, during the 66th Annual Kappa Kappa lota National Convention.

The Chateau on the Lake Resort will serve as the convention host hotel. It is a "AAA" Four Diamond John Q. Hammons Hotel and Resort located on an Ozark mountaintop overlooking Table Rock Lake, combining modern luxury and natural charm. The Chateau on the Lake offers five-star cuisine at the Chateau Grill to casual fare in the Atrium Café, Sweet Shop, and Downstairs Café. The Spa Chateau offers relaxing therapy, combining an Ozark element and the exotic European touch. This will be a location and time to remember.



It is time to make your plans, complete your registration form, and get ready to head to BRANSON!

WORKSHOPS - Seven workshops will be offered on Tuesday afternoon.

1:30-2:20pm WORKSHOPS

Bullying/Cyber Bullying - Presented by Zeta State Kappa Barbara Brown, Violence Prevention Specialist Participants will be able to identify the different types of bullying. Resource materials and strategies will be provided to help teachers, parents, grandparents, and others in dealing with this important topic.



Cooking with a Dutch Oven - Presented by Retired Educator Dr. Larry Quinalty, Author of Gourmet Dutch Oven Cookbooks Dutch Oven Cooking has been around for hundreds of years. Food cooked in a cast iron pot seems to always taste better, whether camping or in a kitchen. First, you have to start the process, and then...

Storytelling - Presented by Retired Librarian Zeta State Kappa Debra Anderson, Author, Member of Missouri Reading Circle Storytelling is one of the oldest forms of communication. Techniques and tricks of taking a book and turning it into a magical story to entertain both the young and older listeners will be shared.

Water Exercise - Presented by Retired Educator Zeta State Kappa Dixie Early

Enjoy a variety of low impact, fun, and relaxing exercises in the Chateau Indoor Pool, overlooking scenic Table Rock Lake.

Bridge (1:30-3:30pm 2-hour session) - Hosted by Zeta State Lambda Chapter Spend some time playing Bridge. Indicate this on the Workshop Form.

News releases and other information may be submitted for publication consideration to:

The Kappa Profile 1875 E. 15th St. Tulsa, OK 74104-4610 (918) 744-0389 (800) 678-0389 Fax: (918) 744-0578 kappa@galstar.com nationalkappakappaiota.org

2:40-3:30pm Workshops

Water Exercise (2nd Session - see above)

Our American Heritage: The U.S. Constitution - Presented by Retired Educator Zeta State Kappa Judy Burnette
 Spend a challenging, fun time revisiting the document that has stood steadfast for the last 228 years! Join us - you will be glad you did.
 Do You Have Thyme for Herbs? - Presented by Retired Educator Zeta State Kappa Vanessa Maze
 Vanessa will discuss tips on growing, picking, and storing herbs. She will share what herbs are used with different meats and vegetables.
 Writing - Presented by Retired Educator Dr. Larry Quinalty, Author Putting thoughts on paper for others to read is a difficult task. One needs an idea, some inspiration, and the audacity to "bear one's soul"

for others to see. Remember, the writer is the worst proofreader.

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

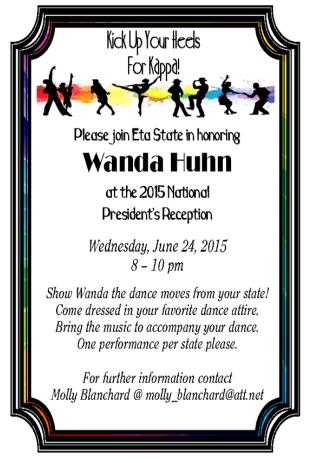


I hope that you are having a wonderful New Year! At the time of writing this note, it is cold in Eta State Louisiana, with expectations of being in the teens at night. Burr! This doesn't happen very often or for very long in the South, thank goodness! I hope that the months ahead will be eventless weather-wise for everyone. I am looking forward to my trips and Executive Committee Meeting this Spring, hoping the weather will cooperate for all those traveling to and from and attending the meetings.

National is still looking for a state or states to host the 2017 Convention. It is not too late to contact the Executive Committee, as soon as possible, to issue your invitation for consideration. We will be meeting for our next time in March.

I am also excited about the National Convention in Branson, Missouri this June and hope to see many of you there. The Zeta State Missouri Kappas have planned great tours, meals, hotel accommodations, and workshops for your visit. Come and "Kick Up Your Heels for Kappa!"

Keep Kappa growing by inviting new contacts to join, encouraging former members to reinstate and current members to stay and enjoy Kappa!



CONVENTION TOURS - "Sights, Food, Adventures"



MONDAY, JUNE 22 PRE-TOUR (Option 1) - "Welcome to Branson" (lunch included)

This pre-convention day tour begins at Branson's Landmark, <u>Dick's 5 & 10</u>, a truly unique shopping experience. This is a true "Dime Store" featuring items that are difficult to find. The <u>School of the Ozarks College</u> will be our next stop, visiting the <u>Ralph Foster Museum</u> with lunch at the <u>Keeter Center</u>. This college is unique in that the students work at over 80 jobs to pay for their tuition and education. Following lunch, we will return to Branson's famous "76 Strip" to attend the afternoon show featuring <u>Dublin's Irish Tenors</u> and <u>The Celtic Ladies</u> for a magical concert.

MONDAY, JUNE 22 PRE-TOUR (Option 2) - "A Day at Silver Dollar City" (lunch included)

<u>Silver Dollar City</u> is one of our nation's top family-fun theme parks. With music shows and entertainment throughout the park, everyone will find plenty to do. Craftsmen demonstrating soap making, carving, glass blowing, candy making; rides; touring <u>Marvel Cave</u>; shopping galore; and lunch in the Mine are all included in this fun-filled day. Bring your walking shoes, and dress comfortably. You will find places to rest and plenty of shade.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23 - "Top of the Rock" (lunch included) (Kappa Guys/Kids/Guests)

Johnny Morris' <u>Top of the Rock Ozark Heritage Preserve</u> is Branson's newest attraction with its beautiful views of the <u>Ozarks</u> and <u>Table Rock Lake</u>. Highlights include the <u>Lost Canyon Nature Trail & Cave</u>, <u>Chapel of the Ozarks</u>, <u>Arnie's Barn</u> (brought from Arnold Palmer's hometown in Pennsylvania), and <u>Natural History Museum</u>, which celebrates the history of the <u>Ozarks</u>. Following lunch, we will travel to the <u>Dewey Short Visitor Center</u> near <u>Table Rock Dam</u>, where you will see an interactive map of <u>Table Rock Lake</u>, Native American artifacts, and the history and building of <u>Table Rock Lake</u>.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23 - "Dixie Stampede" (dinner included)

This evening out provides you the opportunity to experience Dolly Parton's <u>Dixie Stampede Dinner Show</u>, an all-out evening of country entertainment. The Dixie Stampede experience will start off with an exciting pre-show, where magicians, jugglers, and many other wonderful showmen will give you almost a full hour of entertainment before the main show! The dinner show then begins in the giant arena featuring the "North versus the South" with stampeding buffalo, beautiful horses, Southern Belles, heroes, racing ostriches, and much more. Enjoy comedy, trick riding, entertainment, a fabulous four-course feast of wonderful Southern cooking, and a patriotic salute of American pride!

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Reservations may be made by directly calling the hotel toll-free number 1-888-333-5253. (If you plan to go on the Post Tour and stay at the hotel upon return, make sure to secure a separate reservation for Sunday, June 28.)

Reservations must be made by Monday, 6/01/2015. Reservations after this date will be accepted based upon availability.

First night guarantee charged unless cancellations or changes are made at least 72 hours prior to scheduled arrival.

 Room Rates:
 \$110 + taxes/fees for king or double/queen rooms (applicable taxes, currently 11.6%).

 Room Rates are based upon single or double occupancy.
 Extra Individuals:
 \$10.00 per person, per night, plus tax.

 Children 18 and under:
 No additional charge in parents' room.

Room Rates honored 2 days before/after group arrival, based on availability.

Check-In Time: 4:00pm. Check-Out Time: 12:00pm.

Complimentary Self-Parking (outdoor and indoor).

Valet Parking available at \$16.00/day.

Complimentary Wireless Internet Access available in lobby level public spaces. Complimentary 1MB Internet Access in all guest rooms. Upgrade to 5MB Premium Internet Access for \$9.95 per day per device.

10% off Spa Treatments (service fee not included) with reservations 14 days prior to arrival.

Airport Information/Transportation to Hotel

Springfield/Branson National Airport is the closest major airport servicing the area, approximately 50 miles from the hotel. Efforts are being made to organize a few group shuttle runs to the hotel and back to the airport. Indicate on the Registration Form if you will be flying, and contact Convention Chair Jane Otradovec for further information on this service - cost dependent on numbers per shuttle.

(Tours continued from page 2)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24 (Option 1) - "Titanic Museum" (lunch included)

The <u>Titanic Museum</u> features approximately a 2-hour walk-through experience that pays tribute to the historic ship, passengers, and crew. It features over 400 artifacts and the touch of an iceberg and the temperature of the icy water on that unforgettable night in the Atlantic Ocean.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24 (Option 2) - "Adventures of Marco Polo" (lunch included)

<u>Marco Polo</u> has an international cast of 68 and hundreds of beautiful costumes. They will carry you on a trip across the world to the land of China through dance, acrobatics, magic, and illusions using a 2000 square foot set design and LED screens.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25 (Option 1) - "#1 Hits of the '60's" (lunch included)

This local talented show has high energy as you revisit the days of the <u>British Invasion</u>, <u>Motown</u>, <u>California Surfin</u>, and the <u>Age</u> <u>of Aquarius</u> with over 100 songs and costume changes.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25 (Option 2) - "Branson Scenic Railway" (lunch included)

You will board the <u>Branson Railway</u> and enjoy the comfort of the climate-controlled dome car or stroll through the lounge and coach seating of the stainless steel fleet of the '40's and '50's. You will take in the beauty of the valleys and rolling hills of our famous <u>Ozark</u> area.

FRIDAY, JUNE 26-28 POST TOUR - "Kick Up Your Heels in Little Rock" (2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners included)

You will continue to <u>"Kick Up Your Heels"</u> by visiting <u>Little Rock, Arkansas</u>. We will kick it off by going to the <u>Showboat</u> <u>Branson Belle</u> and then travel to <u>Little Rock</u> for a relaxing evening at the <u>River Market</u>. Saturday will be spent visiting the

Clinton Presidential Center, including the Clinton 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. (minimum 30 needed)

*Disclosure - Branson shows are subject to change. All efforts will be made to book an equal or better show to replace any, if necessary.

For Tour, Airport Shuttle, and National Convention information, contact:

Convention Chair Jane Otradovec 708 West Division Bolivar, MO 65613

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CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Registration

NEC/Staff Meeting NEC/Staff Dinner

NEC/Staff Meeting

Pre-Tour Meeting/Social

Sunday, June 21 3:00-8:00pm

4:30-5:30pm

5:45-7:45pm 8:00-9:00pm

8:00-10:00pm

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Monday, June 2				
8:00-4:30pm	PRE-TOUR: 1) "Welcome to Branson"			
	2) "Silver Dollar City"			
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8:30-11:00am 10:00-11:00am	NEC/Staff Meeting			
11:15-1:15pm	Registration NEC/Staff Lunch			
1:30-4:00pm	NEC/Staff Meeting			
1:30-6:30pm	Registration			
2:00-4:30pm	Hospitality Room			
4:30-5:15pm	Flag Rehearsal			
5:15-6:30pm	2014-2015 State Presidents' Dinner			
5:15-6:30pm	Organizational Meetings			
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	Kappa Store			
	Memorial			
	Special Projects & State Sales			
	Scholarship (closed)			
5:15-6:30pm	Kappa Chorus Practice			
6:00-6:45pm	First-Timers' Get-together			
7:00-9:00pm	First General Assembly			
9:00-10:30pm	Welcome Reception			
10:30pm	Group Get-togethers (on your own)			
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Tuesday, June 2 8:00-9:00am	Memorial Service			
9:15-11:15am	Registration & Delegate Certification			
9:15-11:15am	Kappa Store & Special Projects/State Sales			
9:15-11:15am	Committee Meetings			
	Nominating (closed), Scholarship (closed)			
	Music & Kappa Chorus Practice			
9:15-4:30pm	<u>Tour</u> (Kappa Guys/Kids/Guests)			
	"Johnny Morris' Top of the Rock"			
9:30-10:15am	Committee Meetings			
	Bylaws, Campus Kappa, Philanthropic,			
	Empathy (2014-2015 & 2015-2016)			
9:30-10:30am	Hospitality Room			
10:30-11:15am	Committee Meetings			
	Building/Grounds, History, Membership,			
	Professional Development			
11:30-1:00pm	Annual Luncheon (Bring Books & Bears)			
1:15-4:00pm	Registration & Delegate Certification			
1:15-4:00pm	Kappa Store & Special Projects/State Sales			
1:30-3:30pm	Board of Directors' Meeting			
1:30-3:30pm	Workshops (choose from sessions offered)			
3:30-4:45pm	Hospitality Room			
3:45-4:30pm	Open Forum			
3:45-4:30pm	Kappa Chorus Practice			
5:30-10:30pm	"Dixie Stampede Dinner & Show"			
10:30pm	Group Get-togethers (on your own)			
Wednesday, June 24				
7:00-7:45am	Registration & Delegate Certification			
8:00-9:30am	Group Breakfasts			
	Past State Presidents			

2014-2015 & 2015-2016 State Presidents

Kappa Guys

Local Chapter Officers/All Other Attendees

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9:45-12:15pm 12:30-4:00pm 12:30-4:00pm 12:45-3:00pm 12:45-4:30pm	Second General Assembly Registration & Delegate Certification Kappa Store & Special Projects/State Sales NEC/Staff Scholarship Meeting-Lunch <u>Tours</u> (lunch Included) "Titanic Museum Attraction" "Adventures of Marco Polo"
1:00-4:00pm 4:30-5:00pm 5:00-7:30pm 7:00-7:45pm 8:00-10:00pm 10:00pm	Hospitality Room Post Tour Registrants' Meeting Past National Presidents' Dinner/Meeting 2015-2016 State Presidents' Social National President's Reception Group Get-togethers (on your own)
Thursday, June 7:30-8:15am 8:30-11:15am 11:30-3:00pm 11:30-3:00pm 12:00-5:00pm	25 Registration & Delegate Certification Third General Assembly Registration Kappa Store & Special Projects/State Sales <u>Tours</u> (lunch included) "Hits of the '60's" "Branson Scenic Railway"
1:00-2:30pm 1:00-4:00pm 4:00-5:00pm 4:30-5:30pm 5:45-6:45pm 7:00-10:00pm	2015-2016 State Presidents' Meeting Hospitality Room Installation Rehearsal Registration & Flower Order Pick-up Group Photo Session Annual Banquet & Installation
Friday, June 26 7:30-10:00am 10:30am	2015-2016 NEC/Staff Breakfast/Meeting POST TOUR: "Kick Up Your Heels In Little Rock"
Sunday, June 28 5:30pm	POST TOUR returns to hotel
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Please CHECK the workshops you plan to attend so rooms may be set up to meet the needs of each workshop.

Tuesday, June 23

- 1:30 2:20pm "Bullying/Cyber Bullying"
- "Cooking with a Dutch Oven"
- "Storytelling"
 - "Water Exercise" (1st Session)

1:30 - 3:30pm (2 hour session)

- "Bridge" ____
- 2:40 3:30pm
- "Our American Heritage: U.S. Constitution" "Do You Have Thyme for Herbs?"
- "Writing"
 - "Water Exercise" (2nd Session)

Please detach and mail this form with your Convention Registration.



2015 NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION JUNE 22-25, 2015 BRANSON, MISSOURI

Complete form, and return with your check payable to:

Kappa Kappa lota National Convention 2015

Mail to: Barbara Wilken 266 Forsen Park Road Sunrise Beach, MO 65079 1-573-374-1946 (h) 1-573-280-1531 (c) bgladwilken@aol.com

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Pre-Tour & Post Tour: April 15, 2015

Convention Registration: May 1, 2015 Delegate Report Forms to Headquarters: June 1, 2015 Chateau on the Lake Room Reservation: June 1, 2015

NO CONVENTION REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 1, 2015

ALL attendees pay Registration Fee. Guests attending ONLY Annual Banquet pay no Registration Fee.

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Bits and Pieces



BOOKS and BEARS

Our annual Philanthropic Project at Convention is once again "Books and Bears" - pack them up for their journey to Branson. Your donations will be

presented to **Care to Learn** during the Annual Luncheon. This organization was founded in 2008 by Springfield, Missouri businessman Doug Pitt to meet the emergent needs of students in the areas of health, hunger, and hygiene. **Care to Learn** has helped more than 150,000 times in over 12 school districts in the Ozarks. It is where the suffering stops, and needs are met. Your "Books and Bears" will support many phases of **Care to Learn**. The support for our annual philanthropic outreach each year is overwhelming. Thank you for your continued care and generosity for those in need!

THINK POSITIVE, AND POSITIVE THINGS WILL HAPPEN.



Special Projects

"Dancing with the Stars"

We are so proud to have Eta State Louisiana Wanda Huhn as our Kappa Kappa lota National President. She is

already *Kicking Up Her Heels for Kappa*, and we want to boost her Kappa Spirit with lots of Kappa fun and support.

This year's Special Project will consist of jewelry and technology items. The committee is asking each state to provide two pieces valued at \$75 or more per piece, as we have done in recent years. Jewelry and technology items are easy to transport and appear to be enjoyed by all. Tickets will be available in your states and at National Convention. Winners need not be present to win. If a representative from your state cannot attend National Convention, please contact Special Projects Chair for an alternative solution.

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Kappa Guys

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Back some 47 years ago, in 1968, a group of guys sat down to breakfast in Shreveport, Louisiana, as they had for many years, at the Kappa Kappa lota National Convention, and an idea was born: form a Kappa Guys Club, as an organized support group for Kappa. This is exactly what was accomplished. The

Kappa Guys Club was officially organized. The late Arnold Harrington of Louisiana was elected the first president. Other officers were elected, dues were collected, and, in true Kappa tradition, a committee was formed to have bylaws ready to be voted on the next year. Kappa guys, like the late Ralph Treat of Arkansas, second president of this new group, Glen Spurgeon of Ohio, and Herb Trevino of Texas, helped guide this group.

The leaders of the new group continued to participate in golf and tennis tournaments, enjoy great tours designed especially for the guys, and, of course, take in the food and hospitality that comes with all Kappa conventions. The golf and tennis tournaments were discontinued after a few years when some of the participants passed on, and others felt age and injuries had taken the bite out of their games.

The actual "Club" itself was short-lived as an organized group, but had accomplished its basic goal of restoring interest in attending the Kappa National Conventions among the guys. Now, a super group continues of us "old timers" who are left and newcomers each year - folks like Blake Jones and Jerry Craig of North Carolina; Jeff Bridgeman and Billy Sams of Georgia; Dick Schneider, George Huhn, Bruce Thomas, and Mike Blanchard of Louisiana; and Jim Otradovec of Missouri. Many more could be listed here, but space restrictions prevent it.

This final message is to all Kappa Guys, old and new: please join us this year in Branson, MO - you will not be disappointed! We look forward to renewing friendships, making new ones, and certainly enjoying our "breakfast" together.

Bill Baker, Kappa Guy, Louisiana

Convention Floral Order

Name:

State:

Corsage/s: (white, yellow, red)

ordered ______ x \$25.00 = _____

5 Mini-Carnations # _____ Color/s preferred _____

5 Spray-Roses # _____ Color/s preferred

Corsages will have multi-ribbons and true Branson "Bling". Boutonnieres may be ordered, upon request.

(Mark amount due on the Registration Form, and include this order slip. Flowers will be available for pick up at the Registration Desk on Thursday, June 25 from 4:30-5:30pm.)



ATTENTION STATE and LOCAL CHAPTERS **IRS 990-N (E-postcard) Filings Past Due!**

Each state and local chapter (and council) must file an annual 990-N e-Postcard, via the Internet, with the IRS to maintain taxexempt status as a 501 (c) (3) organization. This filing must be completed each fiscal year. If you have not done this filing. please file it, as soon as possible. Your State President has up-to-date information on the filings. Feel free to contact Headquarters for further information or help in completing your filing. **1-800-678-0389** 1-918-784-0389

Listed below are those Local Chapters (listed under each state) and those State Chapters (marked with an * and underlined) who have not appeared on the IRS listing as having completed the filing for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. Due to a slight time delay in filings being posted on the IRS listing, a few chapters may have filed but appear on the listing below. Email Headquarters if any chapters listed have disbanded so records may be updated with this information.

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Alpha (Epsilon) *Gamma State/KS Alpha Gamma Alpha Rho **Delta State/TX** Beta Kappa

Zeta State/MO Alpha Nu

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Eta State/LA

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Rho

*Alpha Alpha State/KY Gamma

*U of Evansville **Campus Kappa**

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GENERAL FUND Any Budgeted Area of Need Psi Chapter, Rho State/NC

Keren Miller, Alpha State/OK In Memory of Paula Horsburgh In Memory of Sheila Hoke

General Headquarters Maintenance Ann Sims, Mu State/MS In Memory of Kim Musselman's Grandmother

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Scholarship Ruth Foster McClain Ann Sims, Mu State/MS In Honor of Dr. Mitzy-Johnson Mills KEMPE

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Dues Increase in Effect for 2015-2016

A \$10 dues increase was voted upon and approved by the delegates at the 2014 National Convention to be implemented with the 2015-2016 fiscal year. When collecting dues this year, Active member dues will be forty dollars (\$40) and twenty dollars (\$20) for Campus and Inactive members. This first increase in six years will help maintain Kappa Kappa Iota as an organization. A careful watch over our available funds will continue.

KAPPA IN THE NEWS

Carol Lunsford, Mu Chapter and Lambda State/GA President, welcomes Alexandra Vlachakis as a new member to their local chapter. "Alex" is the current Fayette County GA Public Schools Teacher of the Year.



MU CHAPTER MEMBER LEADS STUDENTS TO FIRST PLACE

Alex Vlachakis. new member of Mu Chapter. Lambda State/GA, led the 2015 Sandy Creek High School Swim Team to the County Championship.





KAPPA IN THE NEWS



"Once a teacher, always a teacher" so the adage goes. Loretta Vail, Lambda State/GA, Theta Chapter, has been retired for 8 years from classroom teaching/ coordinator in Georgia. However, she has been teaching the AARP Driver Safety Class for over 4 years and loves working

with adults and hearing their stories of being on the road. The AARP Driver Safety class reviews safe strategies for driving so that mature adults can stay behind the wheel longer and maintain their independence. The class reviews changes in our bodies, roads, and cars and takes a look at the cars of the future with all the technology that is here and coming. Rules of the road are reviewed with a discussion of new laws and how they might affect us. The class thinks about dangers on the roads and how we have adjusted our driving from our teenage learning years to better judgment, but slower reactions of our senior years.

Insurance companies honor this class and give a three-year discount on insurance. Taking part in this class is a win-win experience.

<u>Híttíng the "Braín" Gym</u>

As educators, we dedicate our lives to promoting life-long learning in others. Once one retires from education, the question that bears asking is, "Are YOU still learning?" I recently received an email from an organization I belong to called *My Course Room*. *My Course Room* is a website that offers free courses online. Interestingly enough, they have developed a course that is titled <u>Aging Gracefully</u>. I believe this would be of interest to Kappas of any age! They promote this program this way - "As kids we always looked forward to summer break, and, as adults, we dream of retirement. The problem is that the very things that we no longer have to think about or have to learn are the same things that help keep our brain young. Our psychological age is dependent on how our brain functions and how young we feel. Keeping our mind active is critical in the aging process, regardless of our chronological age. Here are five ways to keep your brain in gear: 1. Reading, 2. Traveling, 3. Life-long learning, 4. Pursuing hobbies, and 5. Volunteering. All of these activities

are your brain's way of hitting the gym.

To learn more about aging and aging gracefully, take the <u>Aging Gracefully</u> course at MyCourseRoom.com, and join us on our club forum board, 'How do you stay young?' Simply log in, or create your zero-cost learner account today."

"Once a learner, always a learner." Here's to continued learning, hitting the brain gym, and keeping those brains young!

Submitted by Professional Development Chair Carolyn Wilkins, Xi State/FL, Zeta Chapter

