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### **2023 CONVENTION ISSUE**

### President's Corner - Phyllis Thomas that Kappa connection. Then, in December, I "Radiate the Kappa Spirit"

continue to do Kappa business. Our Executive their Christmas celebration and my state visit where I Director, Teri Poreda, has been very busy did a membership promotion. I look forward to my overseeing the repairs to the upstairs bathroom in upcoming visits to Xi State/FL, Epsilon State/AR, and the dorm room and getting the dining room painted. Delta State/TX. Contemplate this: although Empathy These tasks have finally been completed! Danny and is the heart of Kappa and Philanthropy is its soul, we Linda Reutlinger continue to maintain the Kappa must remember that Membership is the life blood of grounds and keep them looking pristine. Christina Oliver has worked diligently to maintain our website, and Carolyn Wilkins was instrumental in helping the National Executive Committee acquire the software that made the forms on the website more user friendly. If you have not visited the site lately, please check it out.

I have had the privilege to participate in the initiation of eleven Campus/Collegiate Kappas on the O.S.U. campus in Stillwater. Oklahoma after the Fall Meeting. Oh, to see the excitement of these young Louisiana at the Embassy Suites on June 26-29, make your plans now. 2023. I really look forward to seeing them there! I look forward to seeing each of you in Baton Rouge, one of these young ladies as a way of maintaining Spirit".

traveled to North Louisiana to attend the Beta Theta The holiday season is behind us and it is now time to Christmas Auction and on to Lambda State/GA for



Kappa. Therefore. challenge you to continue to reach out to new members, keep the current Kappa Kappa members. and lota "Radiate always the Kappa Spirit".

The 2023 National Convention in Louisiana is quickly approaching. Continue making your plans to attend the convention. Pre-registration forms are available Kappas - pure joy! I invited these young Kappas to on the website. This issue of the Profile is full of attend the National Convention in Baton Rouge, convention information. Take time to look it over and

Also, some Kappa members have asked to sponsor Louisiana where we will all "Radiate the Kappa

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### **National President's Reception**

Eta State invites you to enjoy some Fun in the Sun in honor of National President

**Phyllis Thomas**. Wear your coolest beach attire and get ready to dance to some "Golden Oldies" beach music, as well as playing some great beach games!!!

Wednesday ~ June 28, 2023 ~ 8-10 PM Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"Laissez les Bon Temps"
"Let the Good Times Roll"

The 2023 National Kappa Kappa lota Convention in Baton Rouge, Louisiana has an outstanding Kappa as the Convention Chair. Charlotte Schneider, as Past National President, Past National Parliamentarian for several National Presidents, Past Eta State President (2 times), Chapter President and numerous times serving as a chair or member of local, state, and national committees, not to mention treasurer of the 2011 National Convention in LA, is prepared to host this convention.

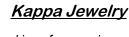
Charlotte joined Kappa in 1992 as the President of a new Eta State Chapter, Beta Tau, in New Iberia, LA (bringing us her Kappa Guy, Dick). Seven years later she was Eta State President with the theme "Spice up Your Life with Kappa". In 2008-2009 she led us as our National President with the same theme. As National President she started the Presidents' Choice Award and presided at the 60th National Convention held for the first time on a cruise ship. During her years with Kappa she has been recognized with the V.I.P. award several times and Eta State's highest honor, the Loretta Doerr Achievement Award.

Workshop Registration
Name:
Email:Phone
Tuesday, June 27  1:30-2:25  Money Wise Theatre Games for All Ages Water Aerobics
2:35 – 3:30 Google Docs & Google Meet
Acadian Brown Cotton of Louisiana Water Aerobics
Please detach and mail this form with vour Convention Registration.



#### Enjoy singing in the shower???

Then you are all set to sing in the Kappa Chorus!! No musical training necessary! You just have to enjoy singing and having fun with other Kappa members. Be sure to email Kathy & Ken Russell at <a href="maryklr56@gmail.com">maryklr56@gmail.com</a> so they can email the music ahead of time for you to get familiar with it.





Looking for a piece of Kappa jewelry to wear on

your lapel or a ring to show your commitment to Kappa? They are available through Kappa Headquarters. You can purchase the Kappa pin for \$25 and the Kappa silver ring (which will display KKI in the center of the ring), for \$50 plus shipping and handling. Contact Teri Poreda at Kappa Headquarters, 918-744-0389 or by way of email at kappa@galstar.com.

### **Convention Fresh Floral Order**

Due May 1, 2023, with Registration Form

Name _	 	 	 
Phone			

**All Corsages:** \$35.00 each (includes tax & delivery) Roses with complementary colored ribbon

	Wristlet	Pin-on	l otal
White			\$
Yellow			\$
Pink			\$

**Boutonnieres:** \$12.50 each (includes tax & delivery) Roses with complementary colored ribbon

Color	Number	Total
White		\$
Yellow		\$

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Enter total on Registration Form & Include this form.

## Workshops Have fun while learning something new!

Money Wise - \$\$\$\$\$ Ever wondered if there was a better way to keep up with finances? Kappa member Peggy Earl, of North Carolina, chapter treasurer for over 15 years and proud Momma and MaMaw, will teach you all you need to know about keeping financial order with money of Kappa chapters, any other organization or just your own personal finances. This workshop is perfect for all chapter treasurers and anyone else interested in keeping accurate track of finances. \$\$\$\$\$\$

Theatre Games for All Ages – Every teacher appreciates learning techniques to increase focus, improve memory, encourage team-building, foster creativity and imagination, especially when the techniques involve games. Pat Crochet, a Louisiana Kappa, will teach you how to use these theater games with your classroom or Kappa chapter for a fun meeting, in her workshop, Theatre Games for All Ages. With a master's degree in theatre, Pat's experience as a teacher, writer, and director will show us that "Learning is better when you're having fun!"

Google Docs and Google Meet - Exchanging information with another colleague, a friend or Kappa members by email can be extremely frustrating if you are having to save, correct, resend. Learn how to use a web based app that allows you to collaborate with others on documents, slide shows, spread sheets, etc., by editing, making additions and correcting in real time. Also learn how to hold meetings in Google Meet, an app similar to Zoom but with no charges. Michelle Phillips, an Arkansas Kappa member whose technology skills are unmatched, will show you how to do all this in a format that is easy to learn and use. Bring your laptop or iPad. Acadian Brown Cotton of Louisiana - "Twas down in Louisiana---in them ole cotton fields... Exiled from Nova Scotia in the 1700's, French-speaking Acadians used a plant yielding a brown fiber "coton jaune" for clothing, household items, items in a girl's dowry and other textile products. Today Acadian Brown Cotton of Louisiana has a mission to educate children/adults about the Acadian people and Acadian Brown Cotton. Jerry Hale, planter, grower, harvester and King Cotton of the 99th Cotton Growers Association in 2022 will fascinate you with a hands-on presentation of brown cotton from seed to textile. You will have an opportunity to purchase some finished items.

Water Aerobics - Don't forget to pack your swimsuit!!! Oklahoma Kappa Rose Millspaugh, a seasoned Convention Workshop leader will introduce you to techniques to improve your general health - lower blood pressure, improve blood sugar levels, lose weight! Take a break from the Louisiana heat and refresh in this fun, healthy water activity in the hotel's indoor pool.



### First General Assembly ~ Monday, June 26, 2023

Dianne Clark, the keynote speaker for Monday night's opening ceremony, grew up surrounded by a family of educators, but she did not see education as an option "on her screen after high school." Today she is a Kappa member with a 30-year career in post-secondary education working for the Louisiana Community and Technical College system in a variety of positions, and brings all that educational experience to the position of Executive Director for Sci-Port Discovery Center in Shreveport, Louisiana, with a mission to provide relevant, hands-on, STEM-based learning experiences to learners of all ages.

She has expanded Sci-Port Discovery Center into the connector for more than two hundred STEM-related business partners and organizations, allowing the Innovation Center to provide training opportunities for 10 parishes in Louisiana. Community engagement and inclusion are the major focuses of Dianne's vision for Sci-Port's future.

Dianne Clark is a wife and mother with a passion for education and community involvement. You will not want to miss this dynamic speaker!!!

#### ~ DONATIONS ~ **GENERAL FUND -**ANY BUDGETED AREA OF NEED

Loueen Morgan, Alpha/OK State In Memory of Barbara Hulen, Margaret Gund, Alpha/OK State In Memory of Barbara Hulen Ginger Stout, Alpha/OK State In Memory Barbara Hulen Ginger Stout, Alpha/OK In Memory of Bud Hale, Husband of Becky Hale Joanne Cox, Alpha/OK State In Memory of Bill Risenhoover, Husband of Rose Ann Risenhoover Alpha Rho, Alpha/OK State In Memory of Barbara Hulen Alpha Rho, Alpha/OK State In Memory of Bud Hale, Husband of Becky Hale Janet Martin, Tau, Lambda/GA State Cynthia Jones, In Memory of Ardis Peterson.

Gamma/KS

Alpha Rhp Chapter, Gamma/KS State In Memory of Ardis Peterson Diane Newcom, CO State In Memory of Ardis Peterson Connie Schobert, Omicron/IA State In memory Bob Schobert, Brother to Connie and Melody Schobert Memorial Garden Bricks Patti Purcell, Lambda/GA State In Honor of Wanda Culpepper Charlotte Westerhold, Zeta/MO State In Honor of Kappa Chapter, Zeta/Mo State Peggy Davis, Beta/NM State In Memory of June Mazzolini, PSP Peggy Davis, Beta/NM State In Memory of Helen McFadin, PSP Judy Oliver, Gamma/KS State In Memory of Husband, Ronald Oliver

In Memory of Ralph Treat, Kappa Guy

Betty Beach, Gamma/KS State

In Memory of Ardis Peterson

**Epsilon State** 

#### **Memorial Garden Bricks**

Cathe Kehe and Jean Adams. Alpha/OK State In Honor of Helen Tate, Alpha/OK State Treasurer Debby Graham, Rho/NC State In Memory of Earlene Davis Imogene Hardon, Mu/MS State In Honor of the Mu State History Committee Nancy Gallatin, Zeta/Mo State In Honor of the Otradovec Family **Kempe Foundation** Alpha Beta Chapter, Zeta/MO State Xi/Florida State Phi Chapter, Epsilon/AR State

Omicron Chapter, Rho/NC State Kappa Chapter, Rho/NC State Psi Chapter. Rho/NC State Alpha Gamma, Epsilon/AR State Beta Pi, Eta/LA State Alpha Rho, Eta/LA State Nu Chapter, Epsilon/AR State Epsilon Chapter, Alpha/OK State

### 2023 NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION

### June 26 - June 29, 2023 Baton Rouge, LA

Complete form & return with your check payable to:

directly with the Embassy Suites Hotel. If a room is needed for the Pre or Post Tours, the reduced

group rate will be honored.

KKI 2023 National Convention

Mail to: Renee Spencer, Registrar

P.O.Box 256

Carencro, LA 70520 Cell: 337-277-8966

### **IMPORTANT DEADLINES**

May 1 Pre & Post Convention Tours May 1 Convention Registration June 2 Embassy Suites, LA

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June 1 Delegate Report Forms to Headquarters NO CONVENTIONS REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 1

ALL Kappa members/guests pay the Registration Fee if attending meal function, going on a tour or participating in any workshop. Guests attending ONLY Annual Banquet will not be required to pay the Registration Fee.

Use a separate sheet for each person registering.	Registration by May 1, 2023		
Namo	All Kappa Members		
Name:	Kappa Guys/Guests Kappa Kids (12 & Under)		
Street Address:	Campus Kappas		
	Registration <u>after</u> May 1	φ20	Ψ
City/State/Zip:	All Kappa Members	\$60	\$
Chapter/State:	Kappa Guys/Guests		
Onapter/State.	Kappa Kids (12 & Under)		
Email:	Campus Kappas	\$25	\$
	Sunday, June 25, 2023	<b>*</b> 4 0	•
Contact Phone:	NEC Staff/Lunch	\$40	\$
Arrival Date: Time:	Monday, June 26, 2023		
7 tille.	Pre-Tour: Mabel Caldwell Scholarship To		
Airline (if flying) Flight:	Francisville	-	\$
	2022-2023 State Presidents' Flag Rehear	rsal	
Airport Shuttle service to and from the hotel is unavailable.	Dinner	\$47	\$
Members will need to make arrangements on their own for a cab or	Tuesday, June 27, 2023		
Uber service.	Annual Luncheon	.\$50	\$
	Kappa Guys/Guests - USS Kidd Veterans		
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Is this your first National Convention? If so, circle YES	Dinner Tour - Houmas House		
Do you plan to sing in the Kappa Chorus? Circle YES	Wednesday, June 28, 2023		····•
Dietary Concerns:	NEC/Staff/Scholarship Meeting & Lunch	\$32	\$
	Parrain's/Capitol Park Museum Tour (Lur		
Handicap/Special Needs/Allergies:	Tarram 5/ Capitor Fark Mascam Todi (Edi	\$40	
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Emergency Contact(s) at Home (Name/Phone)		ψ40	ψ
	Thursday, June 29, 2023	st inaluda	ر ما <i>ا</i>
	Tour - Old Governor's Mansion (Lunch no		,
	A 15	-	\$
	Annual Banquet	\$68	\$
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Emergency Contact(s) at Convention (Name/Cell#)	Post Tour: New Iberia/New Orleans		
	Total Floral Order (Must be placed by Ma		
	Add amount from floral order form & incl		
	Subtotal		
	Minus Pre-Registration		
	Check # Total Enclosed		\$
**You must make a separate hotel reservation			



### **Embassy Suites Hotel Baton Rouge**

4914 Constitution Avenue Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808 1 (225) 924-6566



"Callin' Baton Rouge" Embassy Suites is the phone call you need to make for the 2023 National Kappa Kappa Iota Convention! Baton Rouge is the place you want to visit with the capital, a flagship university, Cajun and Creole cultures to entice your palate and only minutes away from attractions like Hollywood Casino, Blue Bayou Water Park and Baton Rouge Zoo. Our state capitol is the tallest capitol in the United States, sitting on 27 acres of beautifully landscaped grounds. Embassy Suites offers you a suite featuring king/double beds with premium bedding and a sofa bed, refrigerators, flat-screen TVs, complimentary wireless internet, indoor pool, and a 24-hour fitness center.

Each morning enjoy a complimentary breakfast in the atrium and later in the day to cool off take a dip in the indoor pool. Each evening enjoy a complimentary evening reception. The on-site restaurant will make it easy for you to dine. Room service is available. A limited number of handicap accessible rooms are available.

Book your group rate NOW by calling 1-225-924-6566

Group code for making reservations is **KKI**. Last Day to Book is **June 2, 2023** 

King rooms \$123.00 plus 15.95% tax = \$142.62. Double rooms \$133.00 plus 15.95% tax = \$154.22.

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## Take a Tour See the Sights!

#### Pre-Tour - St. Francisville - Mabel Caldwell Scholarship Tour

Hop on board Monday, June 26 to tour Antebellum Plantations - the Myrtles (most haunted house in US) and Rosedown (most intact plantation complex in the South, with beautiful formal gardens). Enjoy lunch (on your own) and shopping time in quaint St. Francisville.

**Kappa Guys Tour** – Get "your sea legs" ready to go on board the 1943 USS Kidd (the Pirate of the Pacific) -only Fletcher-Class Destroyer restored to her WWII configuration. Back on land, lunch (at own cost) is at Walk Ons Restaurant, followed by a visit to LSU places of interest with guide - Tiger Stadium, the PMAC (known as Deaf Dome) and others.

**Houmas House Dinner Tour** – Tuesday night, put on those walking shoes to experience the Antebellum South at Houmas House Plantation and Gardens. Hear about plantation life in the 1800's and enjoy a delicious buffet of Louisiana specialty food.

**Baton Rouge Area Tour** – Lunch (at own cost) at Parrain's sets the scene for the tour of Capital Park Museum where you experience a panoramic exploration of Louisiana. It's a story of passion, adventure and discovery in the Bayou State.

**Old Governor's Mansion Tour** -Lunch (at own cost) at TJ Ribs (legendary BBQ) is followed by a tour of the Old Governor's Mansion built by Huey P. Long (1930) as "Louisiana's White House" – a wonderful example of a Georgian-style mansion with a secret staircase plus lots more to see and hear about.

#### Post Tour – Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler – "Let the Good Times Roll"

**Friday** morning the bus will head out to the New Iberia area. You will visit Avery Island, home of Tabasco Sauce and Jungle Gardens, a 170 acre botanical garden and bird sanctuary (get the cameras ready). Lunch (at own cost) at the 1868 Restaurant, then on to tour New Iberia, the city that exhibits "Joie de Vivre" (the joy of life) with its rich history and culture. Your day closes with dinner at Landry's Cajun Restaurant – live Cajun band to keep the toes tapping. Return to hotel at 10 p.m.

**Saturday** morning after a good night's sleep the bus departs for the "Big Easy"! Enjoy Beignets (at own cost) at Café du Monde, tour famous sights in the French Quarter, then visit Mardi Gras World (beautiful floats). Lunch will be at the famous Court of Two Sisters Restaurant. Afternoon finds you with a personal guide who will share lots about New Orleans, then some free time for shopping in the Quarter. Board *The City of New Orleans* riverboat for a Jazz Dinner Cruise. Farewell to the "Big Easy" and back to hotel at 10:45 p.m.

CONVENTION SCHEDULE 11:30-1:00pm Annual Luncheon – Assembly/Caucus					
CON	VENTION SCHEDULE	<b>11:30-1:00pm</b> 1:15-4:00pm	Annual Luncheon – Assembly/Caucus Registration & Delegate Certification -		
	25, 2023 (Embassy Suites)		Constitution Foyer		
1:00-6:00pm	NEC/Staff Meeting - Capital	1:15-4:00pm	Committee Meetings:		
	Boardroom	•	Special Projects – Congress		
6:00-8:00pm	NEC/Staff Dinner & Meeting—Capital		State Sales - Congress		
	Boardroom		Kappa Store - Renoir		
3:00-8:00pm	Registration – Constitution Foyer	1:30-3:10pm	Board of Director's Meeting—Senate		
8:00-9:00pm	Pre-Tour Meeting – Congress		Workshops:		
Monday, June		1:30-2:25pm	Money Wise with Peggy Earl, NC - Zydeco		
8:00-3:30pm	Pre-Tour: St. Francisville	1:30-2:25pm	Theatre Games for All Ages with Peggy		
10:00-11:00am	Registration Meeting/Scheduling -		Crochet, LA - Curtained Atrium		
4.00 0.00	Constitution Foyer	1:30-2:25pm	Water Aerobics with Rose Millspaugh - Pool		
1:30-6:30pm	Registration - Constitution Foyer	2:35-3:30pm	Google Docs & Google Meet with Michele		
2:00-4:00pm	Hospitality – Guest Suite 409		Phillips, AR - Zydeco Restaurant		
4:30-5:15pm	Flag Rehearsal - Assembly 2022-2023 State Presidents' Dinner –	2:35-3:30pm	Acadian Brown Cotton of LA with Jerry Hale,		
5:15-6:30pm			LA - Curtained Atrium		
5:15-6:30pm	Capital Boardroom  Organizational Meetings:	2:35-3:30pm	Water Aerobics with Rose Millspaugh - Pool		
3.13-0.30pm	Kappa Store/History Books - Renoir	3:30-4:30pm	Hospitality – Guest Suite 409		
	Memorial - Back of Caucus	3:30-4:30pm	Open Forum - Capital Boardroom		
	Delegate Certification - Back of	3:30-4:30pm	Kappa Chorus Practice - Senate		
	Assembly	3:30-4:45pm 5:30-10:00pm	2023-24 State Presidents' Meeting - Caucus <b>Tour:</b> Houmas House		
	Scholarship (closed) – Chair's Suite	10:00pm			
	State Sales/Special Projects –	Wednesday, J	Group Get Togethers – On Your Own		
	Congress	7:30-8:00am	Registration/Delegate Certification –		
5:15-6:30pm	Kappa Chorus Practice – Assembly	7.50-0.004111	Constitution Foyer		
6:00-6:30pm	First-Timers Get-Together – Open Air	8:00-9:00am	Group Meetings - No charge		
•	Atrium	0.00 0.000	(Complimentary breakfast prior to meetings)		
7:00-9:00p.m.	First General Assembly - Assembly		Past State Presidents' – Assembly		
9:00-10:00pm	Welcome Reception - Senate/Caucus		State Pres. 2022-23 & 2023-24 – Senate		
10:00pm	Group Get Togethers (on your own)		Chapter Ofcrs/Members/Guests - Atrium		
	ay, June 27, 2023		Kappa Guys - Capital Boardroom		
8:00-9:00am	Memorial Service – Assembly	9:30-11:45am	Second General Assembly - Assembly/		
9:15-4:30pm	Tour: Kappa Guys/Guests – USS		Caucus		
	Kidd Veteran Museum & LSU Tiger	12:10-4:30pm	Tour: Baton Rouge Area		
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9:15-11:15am	Registration & Delegate Certification –		Capital Board Room		
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	Kappa Store –Renoir	1:00-4:00pm	Registration/Delegate Certification –		
	Nominating (Closed) – Capital	1:00 1:00pm	Constitution Foyer  Hospitality – Guest Suite 409		
	Boardroom	1:00-4:00pm 1:00-4:00pm	Signup for Group Photos - Constitution Foyer		
	Scholarship (Closed) – Chair's Suite	5:00-7:00pm	Past National Presidents Dinner and Meeting -		
9:30-10:15am	Committee Meetings:	3.00-7.00pm	Back of Atrium		
	Bylaw - Zydeco Restaurant	7:00-7:45pm	2023-24 State Presidents' Social - Back of		
	Empathy (2022-23 & 2023-24) - Front	7.00 7.40pm	Atrium		
	of Atrium	8:00-10:00pm	National President's Reception - Constitution		
	Campus/Collegiate Kappas –	C.CC   C.CC	Hall "Fun in the Sun"		
	Determined by Chair	10:00pm	Group Get Togethers (on your own)		
	Professional Development –	Thursday, Jun			
	Back of Atrium	7:30-8:15am	Registration/Delegate Certification –		
	Hospitality – Guest Suite 409		Constitution Foyer		
10:30-11:15am	Committee Meetings:		Third General Assembly – Assembly		
	Building/Grounds - Determined by Chair	10:45-11:00am	Post Tour Meeting – Senate		
	Business - Determined by Chair	11:15-3:00pm			
10.20 11.45	History - Determined by Chair	11:15-3:00pm			
10.30-11:15am	Membership - Determined by Chair		Special Projects – Congress		
	Philanthropic - Determined by Chair		State Sales - Congress		

#### Thursday, June 29, 2023

11:15-3:00pm Committee Meetings:

Kappa Store - Renoir

11:30-3:30pm
12:00-3:00pm
2:45-4:45pm
2:45-4:45pm
3:45-4:45am

Tour: Old Governor's Mansion
Hospitality - Guest Suite 409
Registration - Constitution Foyer
Fresh Floral Pickup - Constitution Foyer
Installation Rehearsal - Constitution Hall

5:00-6:45am Group Photos - **by times** - Capital Boardroom 7:00-10:00pm **Annual Banquet/Installation – Constitution** 

Hall

10:15pm 2023-24 NEC/Staff Meeting - Capital

Boardroom

Friday, June 30, 2023 - Saturday, July 1, 2023

**Post Tour:** 

Friday, 9:00am to10:00pm - New Iberia Saturday, 9:00am to 10:45pm - New Orleans

### Books & Bears

Pack up all the "Books and Bears" your luggage will hold, and bring them with you to Baton Rouge! This annual Philanthropic Project has been used across the years to help local groups who find themselves in need of a way to gain the trust of children, as they try to help them in various crisis situations. This year the Children's Advocacy Center in Baton Rouge will be the recipients of your generous donations of "Books and Bears." The mission of the Children's Advocacy

Center is to set children on a solid path to healing and justice in the aftermath of abuse and violent crime. Your donations will be a valuable asset to this group as they attempt to see that children are kept safe.





## Need a Ride?

**Scooter Rental** - "Mobility Plus Lafayette" Call Dustin at 337-552-1902

Company provides delivery and pick up. Make Reservations no later than May 1, 2023.



# Special Projects...

What fun to go home with a beautiful piece of jewelry, a useful electronic devise or a gift card! Funds raised this year will be used to make

improvements on the Kappa House. All states are asked to bring two of the above items valued at \$75 each. The drawing for these items always causes great excitement at the Annual Banquet! You will be sitting on the edge of your seat listening for your name to be called!!! Tickets are: \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Contact your State President for tickets.

Cheryl Lafargue, LA Special Projects Chair

cherwalt1@gmail.com



## Kappas Remember Kappas

As Kappas we cherish the memories of the time we spend together, and when one of our fellow Kappas joins the Omega Chapter it is important for us to collectively honor those we've lost. Planning a solemn and respectful memorial service honors our memories, relationships, and connections. It gives us a chance to collectively say goodbye to our friends and support those closest to them.

When you attend the ceremony you may not personally have known all or any of the Kappas who've passed, but what is important is that we attend the memorial service in our state and at national convention so that we can support those who are grieving. The shared grief helps us to process the shared loss.

There are some general considerations for appropriate conduct during a memorial service. Attendees should be respectful, courteous, and generous to others. The presence of Kappas at the service, as well as a kind touch or word, can make a big difference during a difficult time. Having conversations, using phones for any purpose, and engaging in other activities can detract from the ceremony and should be avoided. There are also considerations for appropriate attire. Attendees are asked to dress in their "Sunday best" for a memorial service. Jeans, shorts, and other casual clothing are not acceptable attire. Name tags are not to be worn at a memorial service. We also ask that no food or drinks be brought into the room. The focus is on those Kappas being remembered, and we wish to do so with the appropriate reverence. Arriving before the service begins will prevent interruptions of the service and keep the attention on the memorial. State Presidents are asked to arrive ten (10) minutes prior to the service commencing. When you arrive, it is appropriate to sit with other members from your state. You should follow the prompts of the memorial committee when asked. It is customary for your state members to stand in respect when your state name is called. attendees stand for a Past National President. Memorial services always beautiful are remembrance ceremonies, and you may be tempted to take pictures, but pictures are allowed only after the completion of the service.

A memorial service gives us a chance to remember our friends, and console those closest to our lost members.

This beautiful tradition is one to maintain with deep respect.



### Tribute for Janice Jones, Past National President

Past National President Janice Jones (2005-2006), Psi Chapter/Rho State, passed away Sunday December 18, 2022. A memorial service was held Thursday, December 22,2022 at Millers Lutheran Church in Hickory, North Carolina, officiated by Rev. Todd Cook and Vicar Rebecca Foster.

Janice's close friend and Kappa sister, Sandra Bollinger, shared at Janice's memorial service that Janice was not a "Kappa Girl", but a "Kappa Lady" in that she served in the era that the ladies wore dresses, gloves, and put their best foot forward. Anyone who knew Janice knew that she carried that with her all of her life as anytime one would see her, she was dressed impeccably.

Janice Jones was a beloved mentor to many, including her Psi Chapter and countless others whose paths crossed with hers. She was the last living charter member of Psi, having been a member since 1982 with its formation. Janice

also found time to participate in social, church and civic organizations. Even as health issues became a concern, Janice continued giving to Kappa and to others as well, always with Blake (her beloved husband, faithful companion, and Kappa Guy) by her side.

When Janice served as National President of Kappa her theme was "Joy Blooms in Each Kappa" and her symbol was the butterfly. She visited nine state meetings that year and initiated 19 new members into the University of Tulsa Campus Chapter. Janice led with enthusiasm and dedication. She is remembered as a Christian woman with high standards of personal integrity and a woman of boldness and orderliness, influencing many along the way, providing a legacy of wit, wisdom and love to family and friends.

Janice Jones has a special place in the hearts of many and will be remembered with love and gratefulness that our paths crossed.

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