

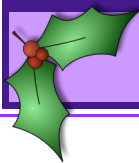


# The Kappa PROFILE

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"Kappas 'Sea' the Beauty in Life"



## National President Kathy Smith Theta State/Alabama

It is so hard for me to believe we are nearing the end of 2023. Christmas is just around the corner. This is a wonderful time to join with family and friends as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please reach out and share your love with other Kappas, especially those whose family lives far away from them. Don't forget to keep track of your donations to organizations in your community for your Philanthropic Report. These might be items given to Christmas Toy Drives, or even volunteer time and financial resources you may have put into your Operation Christmas Shoe Box Outreach. You should have received an email about possibly considering an "end of the year" gift to Kappa Kappa Iota in our "Proud to be a Kappa" Campaign. For those of you who can give \$100 or more, your recognition pin for your donation will be in the shape of a proud peacock. We will continue to offer these pins for your donations until we run out of pins.

Your NEC met in October to go over several business concerns, one of which was the repair of the roof on our Headquarters. The major repairs are about finished, and we are currently awaiting delivery of the last of the new tiles. The NEC was joined by the State Presidents at our Fall Meeting as we heard presentations on Philanthropic Ideas, Gaining and Retaining Members, and Parliamentary Procedures. We were reminded of forms for Empathy Reports, Professional/Personal Development Reports, and VIP Award requirements. We enjoyed a fun game to see who knew the history of Kappa Kappa Iota. All the answers could be found in Volume 1 of the Legend of the Violets. Several Theta State Officers have met with tourism organizations as we plan of the 2024 Convention in Montgomery, Alabama, June 24 - 27, 2024. We look forward to seeing you then.

Have a Merry CHRISTmas and a safe and Happy New Year. Kappa love to you and your families, Kathy Smith



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### Past National Presidents at National Convention 2023

(Back) Charlotte Schneider, Ellen Patterson, Brenda Morrison, Chris Hockert, Carolyn Dye, Linda Smith, Marcelle Bridgeman, Janice Luce, Jennifer Otradovec, Sue Hagan, (Front) Wanda Huhn, Kay Palash, Jean Adams, Nancy Johnson, Pat Southerland, Linda Hilton, Laurie Konrad, and Melinda Sams.



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### Recent Donations

#### General Fund

Any Budgeted Area of Need  
Margaret Gund Alpha Rho, Alpha State/OK  
*In memory of Carl Phillips Jr.*  
Margaret Gund Alpha Rho, Alpha State/OK  
*In memory of Steve Smiley*  
Alpha Rho/Alpha State/OK  
*In memory of Leveta Ennis*  
Margaret Gund Alpha Rho, Alpha State/OK  
*In memory of Ray Bowen*



#### Memorial Gardens

Alice Mallory  
*In honor of Paulette Bass*  
Mitzy Johnson Mills and Patsy Johnson Beta/Gamma/MS  
*In memory of Linda Johnson of Gamma*  
Patsy Johnson and Mitzy Johnson Mills Gamma/Beta/MS  
*In memory of Pat Smith, Mother of Donna Wilkerson, Gamma*  
Margaret Gund Alpha Rho, Alpha State/OK  
*In memory of Delbert Bates*  
Christine Hockert and Eleanor LaPlace Psi/TN  
*In honor of their brother James "Jim" Ready*  
Gamma/TN  
*In memory of Eddimae Williams, mother of Sylvia Greene*

#### Scholarships

Theta Chapter/Lambda State/LA

#### Capital Improvement

Jo Klingman Epsilon/Alpha State/OK

#### Proud to be a Kappa

Psi Chapter/NC  
Chris Hockert Psi/TN  
Virginia Priest Phi/MO  
Peggy Davis Kappa/NM  
Phyllis and Bruce Thomas Iota/LA  
Barbara Cousins Tau/GA  
Kathy Smith Lambda/AL  
Carolyn Wilkins Tau/GA  
Dixie Chapman Beta/KS  
Margaret Gund Alpha Rho/OK  
Linda Reutlinger Beta Omicron/OK



#### Kempe

Beta Omicron/OK  
MU/LA  
Alpha Lambda/LA  
Epsilon Beta/OK  
MU Chapter/NE  
Alpha Chapter/LA

### Profile Distribution

We experienced a successful distribution of *The Kappa Profile*– Fall 2023 Edition! There are some emails that didn't work and State Presidents are working on updating these. This is a great cost savings for our organization and the NEC expresses their sincere gratitude for the help received to make this change. Members can always find the current *Kappa Profile* and past editions on our website.

<https://nationalkappakappaiota.org/>

If you would prefer to continue to receive a printed copy of the publication, please contact National Headquarters at 1-800-678-0389 or by mail at *The Kappa Profile* 1875 E 15th St, Tulsa, OK 74104 or via email [kappa@galstar.com](mailto:kappa@galstar.com).

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS UP TO DATE**

### **Kappa SPOTLIGHT**

**Do you know a great Kappa member we should feature in the Spotlight section on the national website? You may submit an article about the member, including a picture, by sending the information to National President Kathy Smith for consideration.**

**[ks2144@gmail.com](mailto:ks2144@gmail.com)**



The Tulsa Area Council/OK, comprised of five active chapters, participated in a philanthropic activity to help an organization that was founded for families with children in foster care without the necessities for these children. The chapters purchased small vinyl totes and filled them with shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soft blankets, and other age-appropriate items. "Totes and Hope for a Better Future" labels were placed on each bag and Pam Burgess, Tulsa Council President, delivered the 28 totes to the Sand Springs Care Closet, where they were gratefully accepted. (by Linda Reutlinger and Pam Burgess)

### Five Year Financial Planning

Kappa Kappa Iota runs as a small business 365 days a year. With an employee running the day-to-day operations, and the National Executive Committee to guide the way, Kappa makes a difference in the lives of all members and the philanthropic groups they support. The NEC is committed to making changes to save money, but there have been increases in expenses and decreases in membership resulting in a budgeting challenge.

Kappa Kappa Iota is a 501c3 non-profit organization that is member driven and financed by annual dues, donations, and interest on investments. There are no outside revenue streams to support the work of the organization. In the chart below, you can see our projected membership to 2030. The Average Loss of Members per year has proven accurate in our calculations thus far. We'd love to see a 150 member increase each year which would increase our income! In the meantime, to continue our operations, a \$10 increase has been recommended to be voted on at the 2024 National Convention, and beginning to be collected in July 2025.

Membership Projections	2013-2014	2018-2019	5 YEAR AVERAGE LOSS OF MEMBERS	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029	2029-2030
Active	2481	1739	148.4	1590.6	1442.2	1293.8	1145.4	997	848.6	700.2	551.8	403.4	255
Inactive	70	79	-1.8	80.8	82.6	84.4	86.2	88	89.8	91.6	93.4	95.2	97
New	119	88	6.2	81.8	75.6	69.4	63.2	57	50.8	44.6	38.4	32.2	26
Reinstated	37	20	3.4	16.6	13.2	9.8	6.4	3	-0.4	-3.8	-7.2	-10.6	-14
MAL	13	6	1.4	4.6	3.2	1.8	0.4	0	0	0	0	0	0
#Dues Paying Members	2720	1932	157.6	1774.4	1616.8	1459.2	1301.6	1145	988.8	832.6	676.4	520.2	364



### Lambda State Personal Development– “It’s All Greek to Me!”

Tau Chapter, Lambda State, enjoyed a recent opportunity to learn about Greece. Chapter President Ken Russell, and Chapter Secretary Kathy Russell, provided a personal development opportunity as they shared pictures and information about their 10 day trip, which began in Athens, Greece. They viewed temples, museums, and holy sites as they explored the beautiful country. During their tour, they were able to see Greek Orthodox monasteries and abbeys that were part of the mountains. Part of their adventure included tasting local cuisine and participating in traditional Greek dancing. They moved from island to island on a cruise ship. After visiting Greece, they went to Turkey. In Turkey, they went to the Turkish market and watched as merchants shared a demonstration of Turkish rug making and “flying carpets,” a method the merchants use to unroll the carpets for tourists. While in Turkey, they also toured the ancient city of Ephesus. Tau chapter was then engaged in learning about Rhodes. In this beautiful location, the history of the Knights Templar was part of the experience. The island of Patmos was another opportunity to visit Biblical sites. More history included the site of the Olympics of 1896, the first modern Olympics. On their travels back to Georgia, Ken and Kathy had a layover in Switzerland where they took advantage of the time to explore this country. The Russells shared that one of the most memorable parts of the trip was the amazing sunsets they saw every evening. (by Carolyn Wilkins, Ken & Kathy Russell)



Kathy and Ken Russell

National Music Chairs



### VIP (Very Important Person) Membership Awards

The Membership Committee has the honor of recognizing VIPs at National Convention in June. Every Kappa is eligible to receive the VIP Award each year! When you use the VIP criteria as your guide, you can meet the mission of Kappa and be recognized for your commitment to our goals. You don't need to be present at National Convention to receive this honor (although we hope you are!). Let's set a goal to increase the number of award recipients this year. Kappas are giving, caring, and learning. You can find the application form on the national website in the forms section.





### The Kappa House, Our House

In 1921, Kappa Kappa Iota was organized under the name The Blue, Blue, Violets. About 40 years after organizing, the NEC decided there was a need for a National Headquarters building. At the National Executive Committee meeting in Arkansas, in 1960, the first donation of \$25 was received to purchase a home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, that would serve as our headquarters, and continues to be Our House today. The National Headquarters house was purchased June 19, 1964, for \$32,000. Kappa member Clara Stack initiated the “\$100 Club.” Members were those who donated \$100 to pay the debt on the Kappa House. The mortgage of the home was burned in October 1966, lit by the candle in 1964-1965 National President Esther Robinson’s Lamp of Gold. Through the years, repairs have been made to the house, and our predecessors had campaigns to make updates, repairs, and maintenance to the property. Special Projects sales in 1976 were used to purchase new flooring throughout the house. In 1982, National President Lenora Mahan initiated the kitchen update from the original design. From 1987-1988 a Headquarters Refurbishing Campaign was held and donors gave \$750 each and the members of the 750 Club were credited with funding the purchase of new furniture in anticipation of opening the House for the Diamond Jubilee. Each campaign reached the goal and The Kappa House has been preserved for successive Kappa members. In 1997 the “Raise the Roof” campaign raised funds to replace the aged roof on the House. Over the years, there have been many projects to support our Kappa House.

The Kappa House is our longest living member. She is a hostess for local and national meetings. She supports daily business of Kappas across the country, and she keeps our Kappa treasures safe. For all she’s done for us, she needs our help.

In June, there were extreme windstorms in Tulsa. The Kappa House roof was significantly damaged. Upon further review, it was found that some previous work was not done properly, and would also need to be repaired. The funds from the reserve account were used to pay for the needed repairs, but now that account has been depleted.

Standing on the shoulders of the great Kappas who came before us, the National Executive Committee is turning to today’s Kappas to participate in a campaign to replenish the account that paid for the roof.



### *End of the Year Giving* KAPPA KAPPA IOTA

After devastating windstorms in June, the Kappa House needed roof repairs. Fortunately, Kappa Members planned and had emergency funds to make the repairs.

Unfortunately, those funds were depleted.

Please consider proudly donating to replenish those emergency funds.

All donors giving \$100 and over will receive a special edition Kappa Peacock Pin to display their proud support of National Headquarters.

