

Flying into Fall with AΔK Delaware

Presidents' Message

We, Cyndi McDougall and Nancy Burkett, are excited to work together for Delaware AΔK for the 2020-22 Biennium! Although it started out a little cray-cray, we are not undaunted because we fit the bill! We're tired of the expression "the new normal," because we don't like being normal!

Thank you to all our Delaware sisters who are starting this exciting adventure with us as we all learn new ways of being AΔK-connected. Special thanks go out to the sisters who have stepped up to serve as Officers and Committee Chairs on the Executive Board. Their names and positions can be found in the columns at the end of this newsletter. We are also grateful for the chapter presidents who will lead each of our six chapters for the next two years.

Our 2020-22 Theme

Our international AΔK symbols take flight on a C-130 aircraft to spread our Delaware mission. My (Cyndi) 10-year career in the Air Force flying all over the world on this aircraft showed me altruism, education, and world understanding in action. My military experience brought me to Delaware and a career change to education. It is the merging of these two fields that gave me the inspiration for our logo and theme. Our six chapters of dedicated educators share one mission - "Delivering Excellence in Altruism, Education, and World Understanding".

- Cyndi McDougall

Our State Altruistic Project

In keeping with the military focus, our state project is the local USO Delaware out of Dover Air Force Base. As a state, \$100 has been sent as an initial donation to Bruce Kmiec, General operations manager. He will attend our state meeting (or send a representative) on April 3 when we have our 2021 State Meeting at MDCC to talk about USO.

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated as it allows for the purchasing of needed items. If you would like to donate now or later, please make check payable to **USO Delaware** and mail to:

USO Delaware
attn: Bruce Kmiec
500 Purple Heart Way
Dover AFB, DE 19902

Airmail from the Northeast Region

NERC

As you already know, the 2020 Northeast Regional Conference (NERC), planned for this July in New Jersey, has been rescheduled. We had a number of Delaware sisters ready to attend, and of course, have fun! However, now we can plan for the re-scheduled NERC in July of **2022**. This gives even more sisters the time to plan ahead and be part of the fun Delaware group. Regional conferences are full of excitement!

Mary Ey, International Vice-President for the NorthEast Region (IVPNER) has requested that we honor and support our commitment to the altruistic project planned for the 2020 NER conference. The Opportunity Project supports teens and young adults who have experienced traumatic brain injury due to accidents. Alpha Delta Kappa NERC presented Opportunity Project a check on September 14th in the amount of \$3,935. With additional donations received after presentation bringing the total to \$4040. Please send any additional donations directly to Julie London at the Opportunity Project, 60 E. Willow Street, Millburn, NJ 07041.

The Longest Day - Alzheimer's Association Fundraiser

Alpha Delta Kappa International again participated in the Longest Day fundraiser on June 20, 2020. Donations are tax deductible, and receipts for your checks and credit card payments will be mailed after the donation is processed by the Alzheimer's Association.

High Altitude News from Our Chapters

- Epsilon – In these crazy times of uncertainty and “new normalcy,” the retired sisters of Epsilon brought a bit of joy and brightness to the active teachers of the chapter. One by one, each teacher was surprised with a visit from a small group of retired sisters at their new schools - their homes. The Chapter President Julie Beebe had beautiful yard signs created for each teacher, while other sisters gathered a variety of items which included a pasta dinner kit for four, snacks, a bouquet of flowers, a card, and a small bottle of wine. By the surprised look on the receiving sisters' faces, we knew they felt the love and support of their AΔK sisters.



Epsilon had a socially distanced monthly meeting under the river-side gazebo in Milton. President Julie Hays Beebe presented Michele Davis and Tanya Lewis Humes with gorgeous bouquets, Michele (left) for the honor of being named Delaware's Excellence in Education winner, and Tanya for earning her Doctorate! Congratulations, Sisters!



- Eta – Held their last two meetings using ZOOM. They initiated a new member via ZOOM. Their big altruistic event, the November Wine Tasting to benefit Mary Campbell Center, has been cancelled and a Non Event Event is being planned.
- Gamma – Donated to the Food Bank, sent snacks to the White Chapel Assisted Living, made blankets for children in foster care, and donated bras and panties to a woman's shelter.
- Iota – Put on a Valentines Day Dance to raise money for their scholarship and donated \$500.00 to a food pantry.
- Zeta – Hosted canine companions from Paws for People at a chapter meeting. They also made donations to the Daily Bread Food Bank.

Special Delivery

Epsilon sister Michele Davis has not only been selected as our Delaware Excellence in Education recipient, she is the Northeast Region Excellence in Education recipient. I am confident Michele will represent the Northeast well in Austin, Texas at the International Convention next summer. Congratulations, Michele!

Mission Essential Important Dates:

May 31 - October 1 990-N IRS E-postcard - Chapter Treasurer

June 20, 2020 The Longest Day, Alzheimer's fundraiser: donate to Alpha Delta Kappa

June 30, 2020 Annual Chapter Highlights H-114 submit online

June 30, 2020 Annual Chapter Reporting Form/Audit C- 1 due to State Treasurer Pam Worrall

August 1 - 31 Distinguished Program Award - submit online

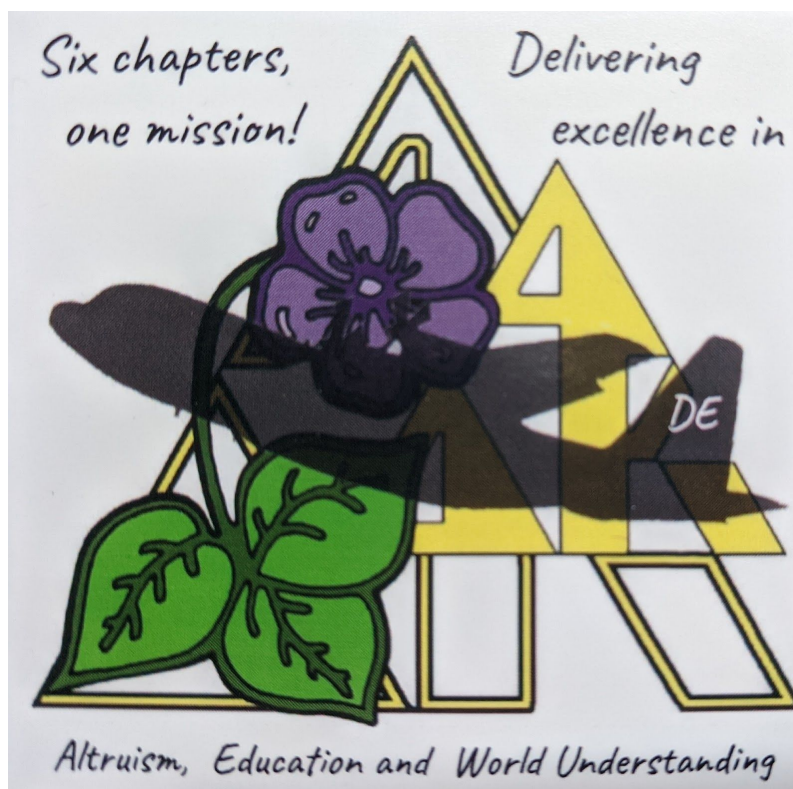
August 30, 2020 Chapter Needs Assessment Form - more info to come

September 15, 2020 Classroom Grant application due - info on AΔK website

October 15, 2020 Regional Mini Scholarship application due- info on AΔK website

April 3, 2021 Founder's Day/Spring Conference at Maple Dale Country Club, Dover, DE.

Early arrival 0830, opening ceremonies 0900, adjournment around 1400 (2:00 pm).



AAKDE 2020-2022 Biennium Flight Crew

<i>Executive Board</i>		
<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
Co-Presidents	Cyndi McDougall Nancy Burkett	Epsilon Epsilon
President-Elect	Tanya Humes	Epsilon
Immediate Past President	Jeanne Cieko	Eta
VP for Membership	Julie Beebe	Epsilon
Chaplain	Sally Scarpitti	Zeta
Sergeant-at-arms	Ana Anderson	Zeta
Co-Historians	Jenna Hall Stacey Mile	Zeta Zeta
Treasurer	Pam Worrall	Gamma
Corresponding Secretary	Sally Fraticelli	Eta
Recording Secretary	Terry Celano	Eta
World Understanding	Roz Freeman	Gamma

<i>Committee Chairs</i>		
<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
State Altruistic Project	Jayne Tabler Denise Leyh	Epsilon Epsilon
Alpha Delta Kappa Month	Tanya Humes	Epsilon
Candidate Qualifications	Jeanne Cieko	Eta
Excellence in Education	Pam Kelly Pat McKeon	Epsilon Eta
Fraternity Education	Sally Scarpitti	Zeta
Co-Member Recognition	Hap Fox Ana Anderson	Zeta
Policies and Procedures Manual	Linda Bledsoe Mary Ann Rozsas	Zeta
Scholarship	Sally Fraticelli	Eta
Technology/Public Relations/Newsletter	Pat McKeon	Eta

<i>Chapter Presidents</i>	
<i>Name</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
Susan White	Alpha
Denise Levering	Gamma
Julie Beebe	Epsilon
Sally Scarpitti	Zeta
Ana Anderson	
Sally Fraticelli	Eta
Amy Selhiemer	Iota

Be sure to check out our state website at adkdelaware.com and join our Facebook group "Delaware Alpha Delta Kappa". As we continue sistering through this pandemic, let's stay in touch!

Delivering to all our sisters,
Cyndi and Nancy