



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope all of you are having a great summer and are eager to resume an active schedule of alumnae activities starting with the **Summer Luncheon August 15th**. This past year, our 40th, was an important milestone in the history of Greater Atlanta. One important accomplishment of these years was the establishment of a legacy of sisterhood, social and civic involvement that we must strive to continue. Evidence that we are an active and vibrant association is reflected by our recent activities and accomplishments. These include:

- Thirteen New Members
- Close working arrangement with Epsilon Gamma, N. Ga. College and State Univ.
- Joint Shamrock Event with Epsilon Gamma - \$9,972; \$3,988 to Rainbow House Jonesboro
- Stand Up! Stand Out! Panel Presentation at Epsilon Gamma Chapter
- Assisting Eta Mu Chapter at Ga. College and State Univ.
- Total Volunteer Hours 2,119
- 14 members attending National Convention
- Development of a GADAA website
- Sister to Sister Program

It is important for us to consider what GADAA and Kappa Delta means to each of us. Kappa Delta and GADAA's purpose is to promote true friendship among members as well as to support charitable and benevolent causes. This environment should continue to provide a caring and supportive network that encourages personal development, an important asset in today's society where people routinely are too busy to develop close interpersonal relationships. GADAA provides a sanctuary of support so that members can reach their full potential while engaging in activities that provide enjoyment and personal development.

The most valuable resource of our group is the variety of our members. We have members from all sections of the country with many talents and experiences. I believe that within our group someone is eager to help with any problem or question you may have. During National Friendship Month, September, we need to be especially active in

becoming even better sisters to each other while also focusing on those outside our circle.

With enthusiasm, I look forward to working with you next year in maintaining and improving our legacy of excellence.

Have a great summer.

Love in AOT,

Dot Mears
President
Greater Atlanta Day Alumnae Association



Elected Officers for 2009 – 2010

President: Dorothy (Dot) Mears

First Vice President: Sally Gibson

Second Vice President: Helen Alston

Recording Secretary: Pat Lansdell

Treasurer: Gale Probst

Public Relations: Sandra Davis

Atlanta Panhellenic Delegate: Nancy Courtney

These officers are looking forward to serving and working with you during the upcoming year.

National Convention

Greater Atlanta continued to earn many national awards:

Alumnae Association Award of Excellence 2009 for which we received a silver platter. The award represents our continuing presence among the 14 highest achieving alumnae chapters in the nation.

We received **Honorable Mention** in the following areas:

Chapter Support Award - Out of Town
AA Membership Building
Magazine Award - Highest Total Sales
Magazine Award - Highest per Capita
Web Site.

Thank you all for your contributions toward these awards.



I'm A Sister and I Made It to Convention

Greater Atlanta Day Alumnae Association Convention Delegation

GADAA members going to the Kappa Delta Convention were numerous this year. Rumor had it that some purchased mouse ears to make a fashion statement on their visit to Orlando, June 27 to July 1. The following members attended:

Jane Randolph
Helen Alston
Libby Lindahl
Jan Lammert
Carolyn Bales
Fio Crockford
Pat Tooke
Karen Blackwood
Chris Adams
Dot Mears
Anne Wallace
Margaret Watson
Cynthia Weston
Jodi Wallace

Katie Watt – Helen Alston's niece, currently attending law school at the Univ. of Fla., will be an alumnae initiate this Fall and was a guest at the convention.

Disney World and environs will not be the same after this group's visit.



GADAA's plans for National Friendship Month in September are designed to promote friendship among women. In 1999, Kappa Delta Sorority created National Women's Friendship Day to initiate friendship not only among Kappa Delta sisters but all of our friends. In 2009, the celebration was expanded to the entire month of September. Kappa Delta groups have celebrated this event with a variety of activities, such as luncheons, spa-day visits, seminars, and weekend trips.

GADAA's plans are to make September 2009 a special time for our members and their friends. Plans include:

- The August KD Fest will feature information about National Friendship Month.
- GADAA delegates to Atlanta Panhellenic will be asked to distribute information about National Friendship Month.
- Cards will be sent to collegiate sisters at Epsilon Gamma.
- Clear plastic book bags for the Rainbow House will be collected at the Summer Luncheon.
- Members will be asked to bring toiletries for the Mary Hall Freedom House to the September meeting.
- Members are asked to plan an individual activity with friends.

Please make Kappa Delta's Friendship Month special for you and your friends.

GADAA and Epsilon Gamma Have a Great Year

Greater Atlanta Day Alumnae Association has had a busy year continuing to build our relationship with Epsilon Gamma Chapter. Anne Wallace, Collegiate Chairman, and Transition Ceremony Chair, Dippy Horne, have spearheaded an effort to assist the chapter in a variety of ways, including:

- Attended Epsilon Gamma's Fall workshop in Dahlonega – met with CAB Chapter Chairs for Joint Projects
 - Anne Wallace, Collegiate Chair
 - Carolyn Bales Philanthropy Chair
 - Dippy Horne, Transition Ceremony Chair
- In honor of National Friendship Month, GADAA members wrote personal notes to each collegiate sister in September.
- In October, Anne Wallace began sending ecards from American Greeting Card Company to collegiate sisters on their birthdays.
- In January, GADAA members attended a chapter workshop and met with CAB and Chapter Chairs for the Joint Shamrock "Run Dahlonega" and the "Stand Up! Stand Out!" Program.
 - Anne Wallace
 - Carolyn Bales
 - Mary Pick
 - Dot Mears
 - Pat Tooke
- In February, five GADAA members presented a panel discussion for the "Stand Up Stand Out" Event.
 - Fio Crockford
 - Nita Chambless
 - Dot Mears
 - Patty Keller
 - Libby Lindalh
 - Trisha Williamson - Pat Tooke's daughter
- The Joint GADAA and Epsilon Gamma Shamrock 5K "Run Dahlonega" and Silent Auction was held March 7 – Most successful event ever for the chapter and GADAA.
- In April, GADAA and Dippy Horne arranged The Senior Transition Ceremony for Epsilon Gamma's 14 Seniors – Goody Bags were distributed to all chapter members for exam week.

- In May, three sisters from Epsilon Gamma were our guests at a GADAA Luncheon and participated in the presentation of a check from the Joint Shamrock Event to Rainbow House.

All of us should be proud of our association with Epsilon Gamma. Thanks again to Anne Wallace for coordinating these events and to Dippy Horne for the Senior Transition Service. Thanks to the many GADAA members who helped with the Shamrock Event and Silent Auction.

Kappa Delta Summer Fest

GADAA's KD Summer Fest is planned for August 15, 2009, at Druid Hills Golf Club. Margaret Watson, Kappa Delta Vice President for Alumnae, will be the featured speaker. This is a special event that brings together all of the alumnae groups in Atlanta for the kickoff of the Kappa Delta year.

Invitations are being sent to all college chapter presidents, all Georgia alumnae associations, and all Chapter Advisory Boards. In addition, all Atlanta area alumnae eligible for the Nautilus, White Rose, Emerald, and Diamond Circles will be sent invitations. Sandra Davis, Chair and her committee of Peggy Crawford, Jackie Porteous, Pat Tooke and Dot Mears are doing a great job. Please mark your calendars for August 15 and check your mail for an invitation and directions.

GADAA Members to be Honored at Summer Fest:

White Rose Circle

Dippy Horne
Mary Streeter
Lee Anne Halford

Emerald Circle

Jackie Carlson
Janis Clement
Betty Cline
Barbara Sawyer

Diamond Circle

Emily Crum

Girl Scouts Honored by GADAA

Libby Lindahl and Jane Randolph recently completed certificates for presentation to the 83 Atlanta Girl Scouts who have earned the Gold Award, Scouting's highest honor for females. Originated and designed several years ago by Libby and Jane, the certificate prominently displays the Kappa Delta crest and the GADAA logo. Thanks ladies for a great job.

Libby Lindahl Completes Term as Atlanta Panhellenic President

Libby Lindahl has had a busy year. She has just completed a year as President of Atlanta Panhellenic and her term on the Kappa Delta Foundation Board of Directors. Libby has served 10 years on the Foundation and funded a scholarship in honor of her mother. Congratulations to Libby for doing such a great job representing GADAA and Kappa Delta in two highly visible leadership positions

September Meeting

Get your school colors ready for the kickoff meeting at Jan Lammert's House. Monday, September 21, at 10:30 is GADAA's first meeting. We want to have a big turnout for a good time and to hear the Convention Report.

Directions: From I 285 take I 85 North to Pleasantdale Road. Turn right onto Pleasantdale and continue to Britt Road (Popeye's Chicken is a landmark near Metro Plaza). Turn left onto Britt Road (North). At stop light turn right onto Old Norcross Tucker Road. At the stoplight turn left on to Cherokee Drive (Nesbitt Elementary School is landmark) Turn right onto Acres Court; then turn right onto Indian Acres Trail. Jan's house is located at 6440 Indian Acres Trail, Tucker. 770-939-1887

From Decatur- Stone Mountain area turn left onto Old Norcross Road after Lawrenceville Highway intersects LaVista Road. Turn right onto Cherokee Dr. at the stop light just after entering Gwinnett County. Take a right onto Indian Acres Court; then turn right onto Indian Acres Trail. Jan's house is located at 6440 Indian Acres Trail, Tucker. 770-939-1887

GADAA Membership Information

If you have not already paid your dues, please mail them to Gail Probst at 1723 Chartwell Trace, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30087. Active Membership dues are \$35. For those wishing to receive only notification for social events, the amount is \$20. Checks should be made payable to GADAA. Members are encouraged to pay dues on or before July 31 so that we can proceed with the Membership Directory.