



# The Kappa PROFILE

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## “Kappas Paint the World with Beauty!”

Greetings, fellow Kappas! I have been painting America with color as I've traveled around the country this year, and was very excited to see what is happening all over our Kappa states. In the past few weeks, I flew to Alexandria, Louisiana and met with the Eta State Kappas. I experienced my first taste of alligator, which actually wasn't too bad. A big thank you goes out to Martha and Bill Higgins and Cheryl and Walter LaFargue! It was wonderful to shake off the Iota State, Nebraska chill and experience Louisiana warmth, even in February!

I had a wonderful time at the Eta State Louisiana Membership Event and Convocation. We played Bunco, and it gave me the opportunity to visit with Kappas from all over the state. I met several prospective members. With



Eta State President Wanda Huhn's theme being also about color, the decorations were fun! The Convocation and lunch were very enjoyable and it was all topped off with a large, purple wreath, including a paint palette and brushes! The wreath was presented to me by Wanda Huhn.



I flew from Alexandria to Tulsa, Oklahoma for the March Meeting with the Business and Executive Committees. I really do appreciate all of the hard work completed by these

committees. We rounded everything out with the Tulsa Area Council Annual Bunco, which is an opportunity to raise money for scholarships and other projects.

I will take part in the Omicron State, Iowa Convention in April, fly to Alabama for the Theta State Membership Event and then return to Omaha for the Iota State, Nebraska Convention on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Finally, I will fly to Ontario, California the second week of May to take part in the Nu State, California Membership Event, with a little sightseeing on the side!

This has been a truly wonderful year, and it is flying by too fast. I will never forget the warm hospitality given to me by each of my Contact States, as I have painted my very beautiful, colorful canvas across this country!



## by National President Laurie Konrad ~ Iota State/NE

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### 2015-2016 National Executive Committee March Meeting

(front) Parliamentarian Nancy Johnson, National President Laurie Konrad, President-Elect Melinda Sams (back) Recording Secretary Chris Hockert, Immediate Past National President Wanda Huhn, First Vice President Janice Luce, and Second Vice President Jennifer Otradovec.

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**ATTENTION STATE AND LOCAL CHAPTERS**

Each state chapter, local chapter, and state council must file an annual 990-N (e-Postcard), via the Internet, with the IRS to maintain tax-exempt status as a 501 (c) (3) organization.

Listed below are Local Chapters and State Councils (**listed under each state**) and the State Chapters (**marked with an \* and underlined**) who have not appeared on the IRS listing as having completed the 2013-2014 filing. Complete filing as soon as possible. Questions? Contact National Headquarters at 1-800-678-0389.

**\*Alpha State/OK**

- Alpha Delta
- Alpha Mu
- Beta Epsilon
- Beta Eta
- Beta Zeta
- Delta
- Epsilon
- Epsilon Beta
- Epsilon Iota
- Epsilon Kappa
- Epsilon Tau
- Gamma Beta
- Gamma Lambda
- OKC Metro Council
- Phi
- Rho
- Upsilon
- Zeta Zeta

**\*Beta State/NM**

- Kappa
- Phi
- Upsilon
- Xi

**\*Gamma State/KS**

- Alpha Gamma
- Alpha Rho
- Eta
- Zeta

**Delta State/TX**

- Gamma

**Zeta State/MO**

- Upsilon

**\*Theta State/AL**

- Alpha Gamma
- Alpha Omicron
- Alpha Theta
- Alpha Xi
- Gamma
- Psi
- Rho
- Tau
- Upsilon

**\*Mu State/MS**

- Alpha Beta
- Alpha Delta
- Beta

- Blue Mountain
- Campus Kappa
- Eta
- Sigma
- Tau
- Upsilon

**Omicron State/IA**

- Beta
- Gamma

**Tau State/WY**

- Beta

**AlphaAlpha State KY**

- Gamma

**\*U of Evansville  
Campus Kappa**



**NATIONAL KAPPA KAPPA IOTA  
PROPOSED BUDGET  
2016-2017**

**Income**

Change in Market Value of Investments	\$ 750.00
Dividends/Capital Gains	1,250.00
Donations – General Fund/HQ Maintenance	5,500.00
Donations – Memorial Gardens	500.00
Dues/Fees	89,520.00
Headquarters Rental	150.00
Interest	600.00
Merchandise Sales	3,000.00
State Sales/Vendors/Trademark/Conv Returns	500.00

**TOTAL INCOME**

**\$ 101,770.00**

**Expenditures**

Membership Development	\$ 2,700.00
National Convention	3,624.16
Professional Leadership Development	150.00
President's Expenses	300.00
Executive Committee Meetings	3,700.00
Other Committee Expenses	590.00
The Kappa Profile	5,870.66
Office/Administrative	10,925.00
Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits	49,097.02
Headquarters	10,373.56
Insurance	3,675.00
Philanthropy	100.00
Merchandise Goods/Supplies	3,000.00
Contingency	1,664.60

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

**\$ 95,770.00**

General Fund Dues Placed in Reserve

**+6,000.00**

**\$ 101,770.00**

**Thank You for Your Donations!**

**February 9 - April 24, 2016**

**National Philanthropic Project  
Kempe Foundation**

**February 16 - March 14, 2016**

- Sigma Chapter, Eta State/LA
- Alpha Gamma Chapter, Epsilon/AR
- Nu Chapter, Epsilon State/AR
- Gamma Chapter, Omicron State/IA
- Mu Chapter, Lambda State/GA
- Beta Kappa Chapter, Delta State/TX
- Epsilon Chapter, Xi State/FL
- Gamma Chapter, Alpha Alpha/KY

**Mail Kempe Donations To:**

The Kemp Foundation  
13123 E 16th Ave B390  
Aurora, CO 80045



**GENERAL FUND**

**Any Budgeted Area of Need**

- Beta Chapter, Mu State/MS
- In Memory of Past National President Eudora Kemp*
- Margaret Gund, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Carl Cobb*
- Alpha Rho Chapter, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Carl Cobb*
- Mu Chapter, Lambda State/GA
- In Memory of Diane Pyron*
- Ginger Stout, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Carl Cobb*
- Margaret Gund, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Bill Tate*
- Margaret Gund, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Richard W Reed*
- Charlene Reynolds, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Richard W Reed*
- Charlene Reynolds, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Bill Grotts*
- Charlene Reynolds, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Norma Wood*
- Janice Luce, Alpha State/OK
- In Memory of Richard W Reed*
- Alpha Chapter, Zeta State/MO
- In Memory of Past National President Dottie Shippey*

**National Executive Committee**

Linda Smith, Phi State/OH  
*In Memory of James Pinckard*

**Headquarters Maintenance**

Linda Smith, Phi State/OH  
*In Memory of Trecia Jean Ingram*  
Alpha Gamma Chapter, Theta State/AL  
*In Honor of Mary Atchinson*

**Memorial Gardens**

Janet Persson, Alpha State/OK  
*In Memory of Richard W Reed*  
Linda Smith, Phi State/OH  
*In Memory of Richard W Reed*

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**Undesignated**

Past National Presidents  
*In Memory of Past National Presidents; Eudora Kemp and Dottie Shippey*  
Past National Presidents  
*In Memory of Wanda Huhn's Son-in-Law and Sister*  
Linda Smith, Phi State/OH  
*In Memory of Randy Kethley*

**Past State Presidents**

Tau Chapter, Mu State/MS  
*In memory of Past National President Eudora Kemp*

## ~ Mark Your Calendar ~

**CONVENTION TOUR INFORMATION**

- ✍ **May 1** Deadline to finalize the Pre and Post Tours.  
Send in your Registration Form with your tour selections.  
Convention Chair Sue Hagan: 1-843-830-1842

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION DEADLINES:**

- ✍ **May 1** - Pre and Post Tour Registrations  
✍ **May 1** - Convention Registration/Other Tours  
✍ **June 5** - Embassy Suites Room Reservation

**FORMS AND REPORTS:**

- ✍ **May 1**  
National Officer Nomination Forms  
National Officer Reports and Standing Committee Reports  
State President Year-End Reports  
V.I.P. Award Report Forms & Incentive Award Report Forms  
National Nominating Committee Delegate Report Forms
- ✍ **May 15**  
Deceased Members Form  
2016-2017 State Officer and Committee Chair Lists

**DELEGATE CERTIFICATION**

- ✍ **June 1** Deadline to send Delegate Report Forms to National Headquarters in order to receive delegate ribbons during the registration process.

- ✍ **June 1**  
Convention Delegate Report Forms  
2016-2017 Local Chapter Officer Lists

**NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP/GRANTS**

- ✍ **June 1, 2016** Deadline to submit National Scholarship Applications for consideration. Applications are available from the National Website, State Presidents, and/or National Headquarters. The total number of awards each year is based on funds available and the number of qualified applicants. Scholarships/Grants are awarded for professional or personal enrichment and are available for Non-Members, Active Members, and Campus Kappa Members.  
Executive Director Marilyn Bridges: 1-800-678-0389  
National Scholarship Chair Brenda Morrison: 1-704-538-3336

**“Multiliteracies: The New Plural of Literacy”**

**Rebecca Hendrix, Tau Chapter, Lambda State/GA**

Sixth Grade ELA/Reading Teacher, Ashworth Middle School, Calhoun, GA, First-Year Doctoral Student, The University of West Georgia

An eager sixth grade boy enters his classroom and acquires a copy of the class text from the book bin on the front shelf and carries it back to his desk. As indicated on the board, he opens his text to the table of contents and checks the page number of the assigned chapter. He traverses to that page and begins reading, paragraph by paragraph, page by page, exploring a wide variety of graphic and textual features in search of information.

Simultaneously, a sixth grade girl who is just as eager as her male classmate counterpart enters the same classroom and acquires a Chromebook from the class cart, a cart housed within the classroom for daily use. Having read the same chapter as the boy the previous day, she opens the Chromebook and—after troubleshooting the classroom wireless connections—logs into the class website to download her assignment. She completes her task and emails it from her student account to her teacher. In any given day, one hundred students just as these enter and exit my classroom—students who, being eleven and twelve year old sixth graders themselves, have birthdays embedded in their student records ending in “04” or “05.” They are students who have never known an educational experience apart from one steeped in a blend of traditional methods of literacy instruction and literacy instruction stereotypical of that occurring in the twenty-first century.

Often, in today’s popular culture, much debate occurs about what today’s students need in a literacy curriculum. Traditionally, the definition of literacy was as simple as learning to read and write. However, it is obvious that this definition has shifted a great deal—more so, *expanded*. My role as a twenty-first century literacy teacher is not only presented with the challenges my predecessors faced previously, such as increasing students’ reading comprehension and writing capabilities. Indeed, it is now compounded further with additional twenty-first century hurdles to overcome. With technology becoming more and more available in my classroom and in the classrooms of teachers like me across the country, accessibility of texts is an expanded issue. Literacy instruction is no longer as simple as whether or not a student can access a text through his or her reading abilities—rather, does a student have the technology skills necessary to log in to get to the text and task to hone their abilities in a multi-faceted, digital format?

Thus, no longer is literacy a single-framed definition; it has given way to *multiliteracies*. Alvermann and Moore (2013) outline this phenomenon: “Through a series of events leading up to the first decade of the twenty-first century, the notion of literacy with a big ‘L’ and single ‘y’, which referred generally to the kind of reading and writing that has gone on in schools . . . gave way to the plural form, literacies. . . . multiple literacies, situated literacies, [and] digital literacies” (p. 321). Today’s students cannot simply be competent in accessing information from a text. They must be able to access the Internet independently, interpret use of mobile app software, make inferences from digital images from around the world—the list goes on.

What can contemporary teachers do but strike a balance? Indeed, traditional literacy skills are more relevant than ever; with pushes for college and career readiness, students who are younger and younger are expected to comprehend more challenging texts and articulate their comprehension in writing. Simultaneously, these students—who will compose the workforce of tomorrow—must have opportunities to use technology to support learning, often mastering the hidden curriculum of navigating the ins and outs of using such technology without a hitch. Certainly, the concept of multiliteracies is a complicated one. It is one, however, that isn’t going away and will only continue to broaden. This is the type of complication that stretches our thinking and challenges us to find new ways each and every day to strike the balance between the traditional and the progressive. For my students, it is simply school.

## ~ REMINDERS ~

**Books and Bears**

Remember to send or bring books and bears to the convention in Charleston, South Carolina. The books and bears will be presented to **Roscoe Reader Program** during the Annual Luncheon. This program's mission is to "motivate students in the early grades to become skilled readers in order to become better learners throughout their school years," according to founder Marietta Hicks. Kappa support for this philanthropic outreach is amazing.

**Empathy Shower**

Remember to send or bring cards (Get Well, Thinking of You, Sympathy, etc.) and/or sheets of stamps with you to the National Convention in Charleston to be given to the Regional Empathy Chairs. This will help defray expenses in responding to the Empathy concerns received. Cards and stamps will be collected in the Kappa Store.

**Memorial Service**

**May 15** is the due date for names of Kappas who joined the Omega Chapter to be included in the Memorial Book and Service at National Convention. Names are provided by the local and/or state chapters. If a member dies after that date, please call National Headquarters immediately, and every effort will be made to include their name in the Memorial Book.

**Special Projects**

**"Kappas Paint the World with Beauty"**...State Presidents have Raffle tickets for Jewelry and Electronics. Raffle tickets may also be purchased at the convention in Charleston. The drawings will be held during the Annual Banquet. You need not be present to win. The proceeds from this project will go to our Capital Improvements Fund for the upkeep of our National Headquarters and property.

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