

## ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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### *Member Applause - June Townsend*

June Townsend grew up the daughter of a United States Air Force officer. She enjoyed living and learning all over the World, including Texas (where she was born), Colorado, Illinois, Massachusetts, Florida, and New Jersey in the United States, as well as the Philippine Islands, Munich, Germany, and Chateauroux, France. She came to Tallahassee from Lake Worth, Florida, as a junior transfer student in January 1966, and earned her B.S. degree, in 1967, with a double major in Vocational Home Economics Education and Home Economics Extension Education. June completed her M.S. in Vocational Home Economics in 1969 at the Florida State University. After graduation, she worked for the Florida Power and Light Company in Stuart, FL as a Home Economist.



In 1969 she married her college sweetheart, Charles P. Townsend, Jr. After his active duty in the US Army Reserve, they returned to Tallahassee, where she went to work for Leon County Schools. She spent the next 32 years working for the school board in a variety of roles—classroom teacher, Community Educator Coordinator, and Assistant Principal at Adult & Community Education, until her retirement in 2002. They have two daughters, Carole and Cheryl, who have returned home to Tallahassee, after beginning their careers in Jacksonville and South Florida. She has received many awards during her illustrious career, but none as meaningful to her as an “Outstanding Service Award” from the FSU College of Home Economics, and being inducted into the Florida Administrators of Adult and Community Education Hall of Fame.

June was initiated into Alpha Kappa in November, 1976. She has served Alpha Kappa in a variety of positions during her years of membership, including Alpha Kappa Treasurer and President, between 1984 and 1988, and several different committee chairmen over the years. June also served on the Mu State Headquarters committee both during the acquisition phase--working with realtors and seeking a suitable property in the State Capital-- and again in 2000-2002. In 1981, she was a delegate to the Mu State Leadership Growth Seminar, and in 1988, she was a presenter.

Never one to be bored, since retirement she has become an accomplished stained-glass artist and loves to create customized panels for friends, and auctions for charities. She began a home-based business, coaching people how to take control of their own health, and age gracefully. She is active in her BNI (Business Networking International) chapter, the Women’s Prosperity Network, the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce, and the Leon-Wakulla Retired Teachers Association. June and Chip have become art collectors, and love to cruise and travel. Her free time is spent with her daughters, two grand dogs, and the children her daughter and spouse are adopting.

### **District 1 Conference hosted in Tallahassee, March 2-3, 2018 – Your Assistance is Needed**

The District I meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2018 at Augusta Raa Middle School. There will be a Friday night dinner with an activity as well as the Saturday conference. Plans for the meeting to date include:

- Theme: “Teachers are the Artists of Human Potential” which is from an essay by the 2016 National Teacher of the Year, Shanna Peebles.
- Each chapter will be asked to bring a display.
- Workshop for presidents and treasures.

- Create a peace mural with participation by all attendee.
- Possible workshops - technology, skyping, Facebook, music, Tai Chi, etc.
- \$25 baskets donated by each chapter, preferably something associated with creativity.

Donna Heald, District I Director, is appointing a committee to assist with the planning that will meet monthly. The BBCC presidents were encouraged to participate in the planning. Local chapter members will be asked if they can house any attendees from the western Panhandle on the Friday night of the meeting. Please send all suggestions to Donna at [dhealdfl@aol.com](mailto:dhealdfl@aol.com)

## Scholarship Information - Apply NOW for DKG Scholarships, Grants

Are you an employed educator who wants to attend a professional development conference? Are you a grad student who could use a scholarship? Do you need funding for a project that benefits children and education? If you answered “yes” to any of those three questions, now is the time to apply to Delta Kappa Gamma for financial assistance.

Deadlines to apply are

Feb. 1 and May 1, 2018: Cornetet Individual Awards for Professional Development (CIPD);  
 Feb. 1, 2018: International Scholarship Award;  
 Jan. 3, 2018: Educational Foundation Grants; and  
 Mar. 1, 2018: M. Woodbery Scholarship Fund.

Copies of the applications for all awards were emailed to Alpha Kappa sisters on Oct. 11. If you want a resend of the applications and summary email, please email [gale\\_workman@hotmail.com](mailto:gale_workman@hotmail.com) or call Gale Workman, 850-228-1867.

Ongoing Events

Lundquist Scholarship House - Continue to gather non-perishable items for the scholarship house.

Early Learning Coalition - "My First Books Program" Final date for collection is our December meeting.

## Chapter Event Schedule

- October 28, 2017 - BBCC Initiation, Elks Club, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Topic: Initiation of New Members.
- December 7, 2017 - World Fellowship Auction, Leroy Collins Library, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Heavy hor d'oeuvres. Topic: World Fellowship.
- January 27, 2018 - Legislative Day - arrangements and date TBD.
- March 3, 2018 - District 1 Meeting, Tallahassee – Augusta Raa Middle School.
- April 14, 2018 - Pack the Pantry, arrangements TBD. Topic: Scholarship House and Nominations.
- May 19, 2018 - Joint Founders' Day Luncheon, arrangements TBD.
- July, 2018 - Summer Luncheon, arrangements TBD.

# World Fellowship Fun-Raiser

Dec. 7, 2017 ----- 6-8 p.m. ----- LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library

Our first-ever World Fellowship Fun-Raiser is a hybrid of a silent auction and a raffle. Our goal is to have fun raising at least \$100 for Delta Kappa Gamma's World Fellowship scholarships. Let's *Go for the Gold Award* from Mu State!

Please **bring a hearty *hors d'oeuvre* to share**. Before, during and after the auction we will enjoy food and fellowship.

## **Here's how we'll have fun raising money for World Fellowship**

Alpha Kappa **members donate new or *nearly* new items to be auctioned**. **Bring your items to our Dec. 7 meeting at 6 p.m.** Do NOT wrap your items. Please donate items that your sisters will want to buy. Think about items that might be worth *\$10 or more*.



If you donate smaller items that can be grouped into one "lot" as one item for auction – that works, too. Each member may donate up to three items (or lots). *Each member will earn one bid ticket for each item/lot she donates.*

2. All items will be displayed on tables at our meeting; a cup will be placed in front of each item/lot.

3. **Members buy tickets** (\$1 each, or 7 for \$5, or 15 for \$10). These are numbered raffle-style tickets. The buyer tears her tickets in half, keeping one side and depositing the other side of a ticket in the cup of the item on which she is bidding.



4. When the auction opens, **members browse the tables and bid** for the items/lots they want by depositing tickets in the cups in front of the lots. The more tickets a member places in a cup, the more likely she is to win the item!

5. When the auction closes, our **Auctioneer draws one ticket from each cup and announces the winning ticket number**. The winner may collect her item(s) immediately.

**Attend. Donate. Bid. Celebrate World Fellowship!**