



MU STATE KAPPA KAPPA IOTA NEWSLETTER



January 2014

Mu State Kappas,

Happy New Year 2014! My year as State President has been rewarding. I was invited to attend a meeting of Alpha Delta Chapter and was privileged to install their officers. In October, I traveled to Tulsa for the State Presidents and Executive Committee Meeting. The Friday night and Saturday meetings were informative and productive. I made new Kappa friends from eighteen states. The highlight of the meeting was a meal prepared by National President Sue Hagen at the Kappa House. The delicious meal was served on Kappa Violet China.

In November, I met with the Alpha Delta and Iota Chapters for a delicious Thanksgiving potluck meal. At this meeting Past State President Marcy Bryant surprised Imogene Hardon with a cake for her 90th birthday. Mrs. Hardon has been an inspiration to all. I had a wonderful time with the Gamma Chapter for their Christmas meeting. They gave reports of Philanthropic endeavors and empathy concerns.

I look forward to visiting more Kappa Chapters in this new year.

Jerrie Jackson

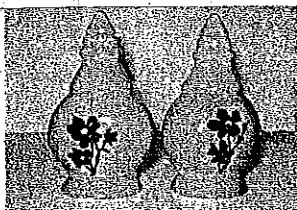
MU State Officers

Jerrie Jackson (Iota), Mu State President, Silvia Thompson (Sigma), President Elect, Karen Lott (Gamma), First Vice President, Katie Draper (Eta), Second Vice President, Patti Davis (Upsilon), Renae' Fortner (Alpha Delta), Secretary, Jan Eastman (Sigma), Treasurer, Wanda Nowell (Iota), Parliamentarian, Mitzy Johnson-Mills (Beta), Immediate Past President.



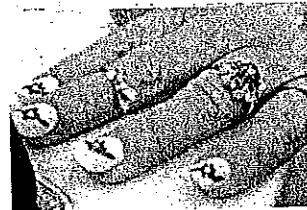
Imogene Hardon celebrates 90th Birthday

Kappa Kappa Iota Chapters, Alpha Delta and Iota of Ripley, Mississippi recently celebrated the 90th Birthday of Imogene Hardon. Mrs. Hardon is a charter member of Iota Chapter and has served as Mu State President, Chapter President, and on many state and national committees. She chartered the Blue Mountain Campus Chapter for college students majoring in education. She is an endeared member of Kappa, always dedicated to the service of others. She exemplifies the spirit of love, courage, faith, honor and loyalty.



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This Kappa has a Kappa Manicure! ->



Fall Workshop Report

The Fall Workshop at Blue Mountain College was a productive meeting with fifty-six Kappas present. State Officers conducted workshops to remind us of ongoing projects for this year.

Philanthropic/Public Relations Chair and President Elect Silvia Thompson encouraged all chapters to continue their fundraising for the American Cancer Society. She showed some examples of the luminaries that she had made using white paper bags. She encouraged us to buy one or more and donate them in the name of someone of their choosing.

Membership Chair and Third Vice President Patti Davis encouraged every chapter to host a membership event to welcome and attract new members. She shared data from a survey that she had conducted in relation to "I would join an organization if....."

History Chair and Second Vice President Katie Draper requested a picture of chapter officers for the President's Scrapbook. She is also asking each chapter to compile pictures for calendar page.

Empathy Chair and Past State President Mitzy Johnson-Mills asked for empathy concerns, the heart of Kappa, to be reported to your local chair who will forward these concerns to mitzyjohnsonms@gmail.com or (662) 728-2619.

Scholarship Co-Chair Emily Eaton reminded Kappas of the many scholarships available. MU State scholarship applications are due by April 15, 2014. Applications are accessible on the internet or from your local chapter president. Applications should be sent to: Janalee Leak / 3518 Hebron Church Rd. / Lamar, MS 3864



Special Projects Chair Jackie Vuncannon displayed The MU State Special Project Vera Bradley Set. The set includes a miller bag, cosmetic bag, ID case, throw, and beach towel. All are Vera Bradley products. A sheet of tickets is included. Please support this Kappa Special Fundraising Project.

Kappas In The News

Eta Chapter Corinth



The members of Eta Chapter gathered in November at the home of Anita Mills for a "Birthday Celebration". They had a contest to see who could correctly name the most baby photos of members and enjoyed birthday cake with ice cream. Members also donated teddy bears for local EMTs to distribute on emergency calls involving children.

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Iota Welcomes Three New Members

State President Jerrie Jackson initiated Heather White and Pam Tyler. Frances Cappleman was reinstated as an Iota member. Iota is delighted to welcome these three new members.



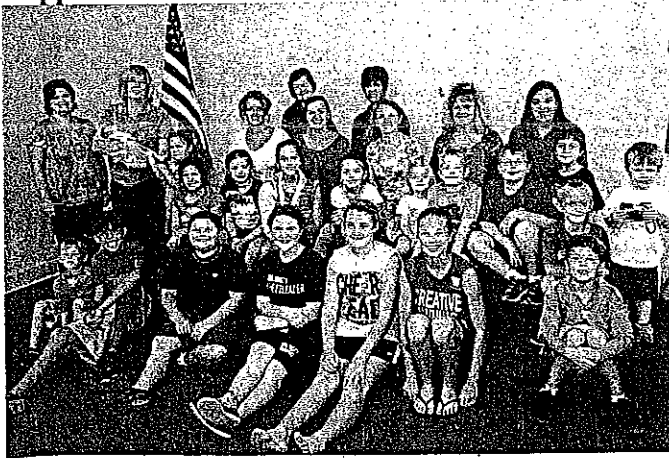
Pictured from left to right: Frances Cappleman, Jerrie Jackson, Pam Tyler, and Heather White.

Gamma December Meeting



Pictured are Donna Wilkerson, Second Vice President, Beth Byrd, Secretary, Opal Melvin, President-Elect, Jerrie Jackson, Mu State President, Kim Perry, Third Vice President, Madonna Michael, First Vice President, and Karen Lott, President.

Kappa Kids Volunteer



Beta Club members from Chalybeate School provide child care for Iota Kappa meetings. Many of the Beta Club members and children are Kappa Kids. Pictured are Kappa members, Beta Club members, and Kappa Kids. Fun times doing crafts and games. Beta Club sponsor is Kappa member Carol Smith.

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Teachers of the Year



Patti Davis, (Upsilon) was honored as "Instructor of the Year" at East Central Community College. Paula Nowell Phillips, (Iota) was selected as "Teacher of the Year" at Chalybeate School. Go Kappas!

Alpha Delta Welcomes New Member



Alpha Delta members, Renae' Fortner, Mu State Secretary, and B.J. Lewis, Chapter President, welcomed new member Erin Kuykendall to their chapter at their November meeting.

State Presidents at Tulsa Meeting

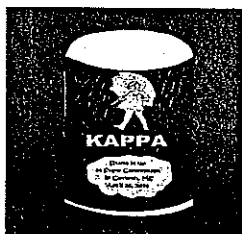


Pictured are the 18 State Presidents that attended the Fall Workshop in Tulsa, OK. On the right, Jerrie Jackson, Mu State Pres., is pictured with Sue Hagan, National President.

SOAR WITH KAPPA!

Dates To Remember

February 22, 2014, MU State Executive Spring Meeting, Harvey's Restaurant 424 S. Gloster, Tupelo, MS. 10:30-1:30. MU State Nominating Committee to report a slate of proposed nominees for 2014-2015 officers and finalize plans for MU State Convention (state officers, state standing chairs, local chapter presidents, and past state presidents to attend). RSVP Jerrie Jackson by Friday February 14, 2014 at jerriesjackson@yahoo.com or call (662) 223-4827. As in past practices the meal will be Dutch Treat.



April 25 & 26 2014: Mu State Convention, Corinth, MS.
June 24 - July 2, 2014: National Kappa Kappa Iota Convention
Atlanta Airport
103 Virginia Ave., Atlanta, GA 30354
(404) 767-9000

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