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And so with the sunshine...

It's a beautiful time of year at our museums. The trees are full, the flowers are in bloom, and the bright summer sun highlights the beauty of our historic buildings. It's also a lovely quiet time between the rush of Convention and the thrill of the new school year. "And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer." *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

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CONVENTION ROUNDUP

The 2014 General Convention in Houston, Texas, was a grand affair. With a registration list nearing twelve hundred people, attendance was up, and boy did our Texas sisters roll out the red carpet. Hundreds of volunteers along with the local committee of Houston alumnae, saw to every detail and pulled off the perfect event. The meals were lavish, the decorations classy, and the speakers and programs inspired from start to finish. The Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation raised more than \$250,000 through the Tribute Table, and the Museums Committee held three workshops and staged THREE exhibits! This Convention will be remembered by many for many years to come.

The Heritage Exhibit included items from both museums and the Fraternity archives, with a special 100-year look back designed by Catherine Schroeder Graf Heritage Museum Intern, Megan Martinko, John Carroll.

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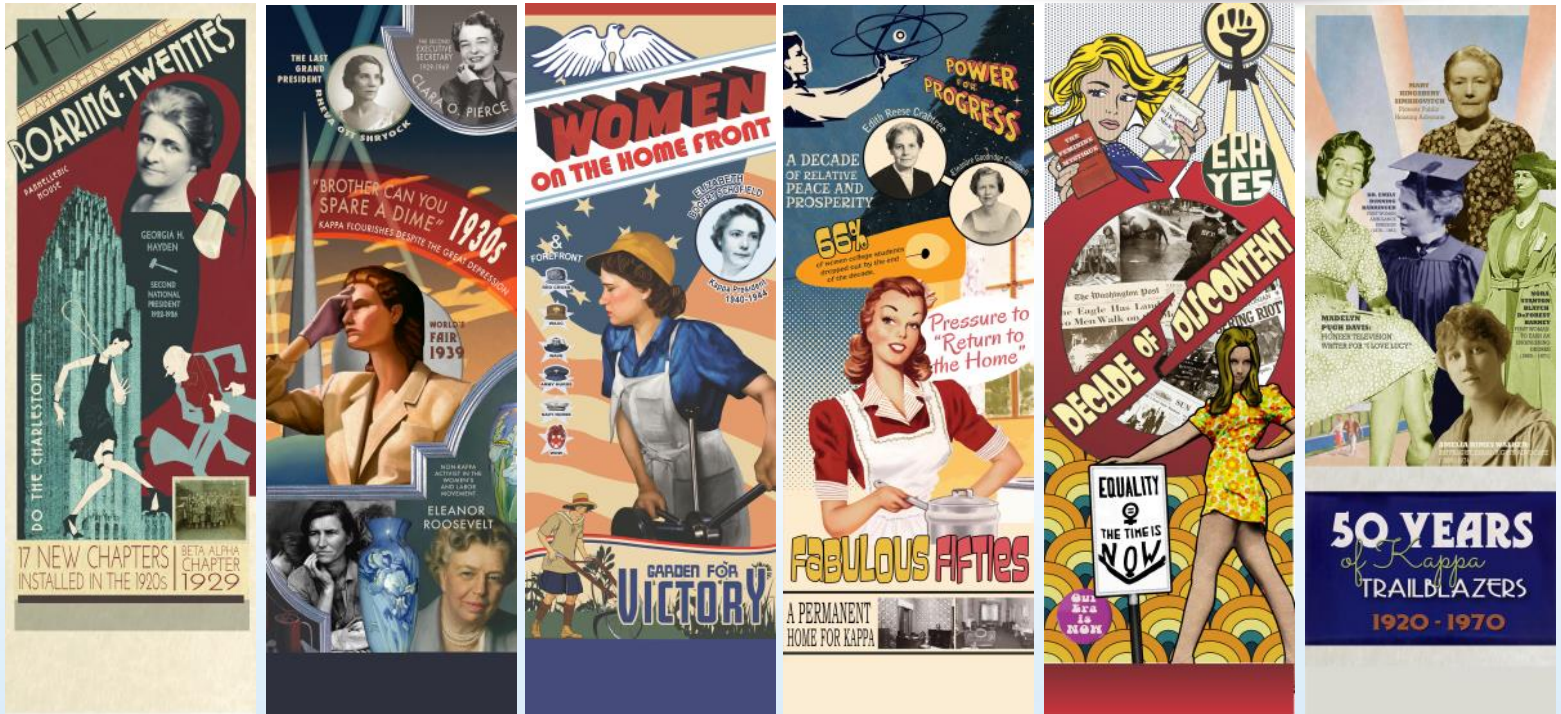


On display were the two Tradition of Leadership® exhibits written by Edith Petersilia Mayo, *George Washington*, and designed by Doug Distel. The first, *Education to Enfranchisement – 1870–1920*, is now a Convention favorite since its debut in 2010. The second, *Enfranchisement to Employment – 1920–1970*, is the latest in the series of three and was first opened at the 2014 Convention. The first one hundred years of Kappa Kappa Gamma and the women's movement are presented in the context of the early leaders and members of the organization. Objects include contemporary magazines and books of the period as well as the typewriter of Clara O. Pierce, *Ohio State*, Executive Secretary, 1929–1969, and the banquet dress of Frances Fatout Alexander, *DePauw*, Fraternity President, 1964–1968. *Photos by Doug Distel*



Several were on hand for the exhibit ribbon cutting at the beginning of Convention. Left to right: Kay Tennison, *Arizona State*, Foundation President; Julie Leshay, *Colorado College*, Fraternity President; Doug Distel, Exhibit Designer; Edith Mayo, *George Washington*, Exhibit Curator. *Photo by GreekYearbook*





The distinctive designs of Doug Distel bring Edie Mayo's script to life in the form of these 7-foot banner stands.

The Tradition of Leadership® exhibits are available for rental and make great additions for alumnae association events, Founders Day, Recruitment, campus displays, and other special events. Contact Kylie Smith, Simpson, Archivist/Curator, (866-KKG-1870 / ksmith@kkg.org) for details on rental opportunities.



The Museums Committee took a moment to gather for a photo after Candlelight Banquet.

HOW ARE WE DOING?



One of the best ways to evaluate programming is to survey your customers. Previous surveys have revealed that Kappas place a high value on our museums and the Programs developed by the Foundation Museums Committee. History is a big interest among our membership and among the members of the public who visit our buildings and take advantage of the programs we offer. Won't you help us to improve even more by answering this year's museums survey?

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/kappamuseums>

THANK YOU FOR BEING A FRIEND!

Thank you for supporting the museums by being a **FRIEND OF THE MUSEUMS!!** Your gifts have helped us enhance our programming at both The Heritage Museum and The Stewart House and to set in motion the plan to renovate the second floor of The Stewart House. Please take a few minutes to renew online at www.kappa.org/idonate/friends OR return the coupon below with a check made payable to the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation. Send to Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation, P.O. Box 38, Columbus, OH 43216.

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PS...

We couldn't end without mentioning a very special Convention visit from our Founders! Those six trailblazing ladies stopped by the talks how *The View* to gab about the hot topics of 1870.

Interested in having the Founders visit your chapter or association? The script and slideshow for this talk show format discussion panel is available from Headquarters. Costumes are a fun addition but not required. The program requires 7 participants and while helpful, it is not necessary to practice ahead of time. Contact Kylie Smith, *Simpson*, Archivist/Curator, at Fraternity Headquarters for details. ksmith@kkg.org or 866-KKG-1870



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