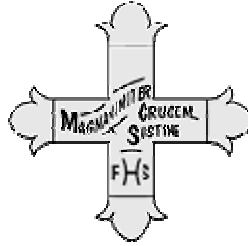


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Senior Chapters:	37	Senior Chapters in training:	3
Junior Chapters	2	Junior Chapter in training:	2
Daughters at Large:	43		

Total Membership: 580

The Rev. Alison Carmody, Diocesan DOK Clergy

- ✦ We continue to pray about the first all Spanish Daughters of the king study in Alabama this year. This study is at Iglesia Episcopal de la Gracia Church in Birmingham with the Rev. Dr. Hernan Afanador-Kafuri. Delia Cerpa will be leading the training. We have all the study materials in Spanish.
- ✦ Our wonderful Spring 2008 Assembly was held at Grace Church in Cullman, Alabama on Saturday, February 2, 2008. Rev. Bob and Kay Blackwell at Grace Church welcomed us warmly! Rev. Jim Tuohy, who is the rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Montevallo, Alabama, where he also serves as College Chaplain for the University of Montevallo, led our assembly. Although retired from full time ministry, he is still very active in the diocese. Our program focused on St. Brigid of Ireland, a most fascinating Saint!
- ✦ Fall Assembly 2008 will be the weekend of November 7-9, 2008 at Camp McDowell in Nauvoo, Alabama. The Rt. Rev. Kee Sloan will be leading us. Please save the date!
- ✦ We seem to be making some headway with regards to following our bylaws at the National level. Our last Triennial 2006 was difficult because our bylaws were not followed. Affiliate DOK members whom did not have voice and vote were seated with vote before the full membership had the opportunity to vote on this matter. Lena Neelley is our National Council Bylaws Chair. She recently asked the certified parliamentarian (Coco Siewert) that we hired an opinion on this matter. Here is what the Coca Siewert stated through Lena. This email is addressed to Nancy Sheffield, our Prov. IV DOK President.

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From: lenadok@aol.com
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Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 3:58 PM
To: teachdok@comcast.net
Subject: Re: Anglican members - voice & vote question

Dear Nancy (copy to National Council),

In reply to your question, I just asked our parliamentarian her views, and she affirmed that:

Delegates from "affiliate" chapters should not be **seated** until their status is made official by the body, i.e., a bylaw passed that gives them voting rights, at which time they could be seated and become part of the meeting. This could be the initial action of our meeting.

I had suggested to you that, in my opinion, we should encourage delegates from Anglican/Catholic/Lutheran chapters to register, on a "provisional" basis. She offered the idea that, if the bylaw change were NOT approved to give these delegates voice and vote, they might be granted special permission to "speak" to various issues during the meeting. This would require a special action (motion or ruling from the chair).

With thoughts and prayers, FHS, Lena

This means that a DOK sitting on the National Council as an affiliate member would need to resign. Please keep praying about this.

- Triennial 2009 is with our General Convention in Anaheim, California. We are praying that every chapter in our diocese will send a delegate to vote at our Daughters of the King business meeting. This is very important.
- Our Chaplain is still advising us to not send fund money to the National Office, but instead to keep it at the Chapter level until further notice. We first need to see DOK financial transparency.

Respectfully submitted
FHS and with love,
Andi Silberman
DOK Diocesan President