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CONVENTION KEYS

August, 2019

91st Texas State Convention ~ McAllen ~ June 17-19, 2020

Destination—McAllen!

Deep South Texas is gearing up for the 91st Texas State Convention. McAllen is located at the southern tip of Texas in the beautiful Rio Grande Valley.

TSO President, Patti Belknap and the 2020 DKG Steering Committee will welcome the members at the McAllen Convention Center. This multi-purpose event center with 174,000 square feet of state-of-the-art and multifunctional spaces is sure to provide plenty of room for our Delta Kappa Gamma sisters to enjoy as we share in fellowship, learning, and celebrating a dedication to excellence in education.

Watch for deadline and registration information in future editions of Convention Keys.



Pond in front of Convention Center. Swan paddle boats are available to enjoy.



Day Changes for the 2020 Convention

The 2020 Convention will start on Wednesday morning, June 17 and finish up on Friday evening, June 19. This will allow those who would like to be home for Father’s Day to travel on Saturday. The Rio Grande Valley has so much to offer that it would be worth coming early or staying late. We would encourage you to extend your stay and spend some time in our subtropical area. We will feature locations in more detail in future newsletters, but for those wanting to take a look now here is a short list of places to visit.

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| Quinta Mazatlán | International Museum of Arts & Science | Veteran’s War Memorial |
| South Padre Island | Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan del Valle | National Shrine |
| Gladys Porter Zoo | Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park | National Butterfly Center |



Embassy Suites

by Hilton

The newly-constructed convention hotel, Embassy Suites, is steps from the convention center. It offers a stylish stay and a convenient location to shopping and restaurants. Complimentary McAllen airport shuttles are available upon request. We are investigating Harlingen shuttles

Settle into a spacious two-room suite with modern décor. The living room has a sofa sleeper, work space and 55-inch HDTV, plus a kitchenette with microwave, mini-refrigerator and coffee maker. The private bedroom has a king or two queen beds and an additional 55-inch HDTV. Enjoy complimentary WiFi in all suites and public areas of the hotel.

Greet the day with Starbucks® coffee and free made-to-order breakfast. The Brickstone Grill serves delicious American favorites that can also be delivered to your door. Join sisters for a complimentary Evening Social. There's plenty of outdoor seating to enjoy McAllen's weather, plus an outdoor pool.

The convention rate for all of these wonderful amenities is \$134.00 per night.



Drive or Fly?

If you choose to drive,



take US 281 or US 77 South.

If you choose to fly,



book your flight into McAllen International (MFE) on Allegiant, American, or United Airlines or into Valley International Airport-Harlingen (HRL) on Southwest.

Convention Steering Committee at the first meeting with TSO President Patti Belnap and Executive Secretary Cheryl Crawford. Pictured are: Front row: Lori Shontz, co-chairman, Patti Belnap, TSO president, Kitty Hutchcroft, chairman, Cheryl Crawford, TSO Executive Secretary. Second Row: Barbara Johnston, consultant, Eloisa Villanueva, treasurer, Sara Hayward, secretary. Third row: Adela Navarro, registrar and Pam Bond, publicity.

