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Dear California sisters,

As we begin a new biennium, a new school year, and a new season, I would like to reflect upon our history. October is AΔK month and it is appropriate to acknowledge the women of vision who are responsible for California Alpha Delta Kappa. I know you will do likewise during your Founders' Day celebrations.

On the afternoon of August 25, 1953, Agnes Shipman and Marie Neal, Founders of Alpha Delta Kappa, Pauline Martin, Missouri State Chairman, and Maye Payne, Arkansas State Chairman, chartered California's first chapter, Alpha, in Oakland, and, in the evening of the same day, California Beta was chartered in San Francisco. The national leaders then went south to Fresno, chartering California Gamma. The team continuing south, initiating California Delta and California Epsilon in Los Angeles. The last chapters to be chartered during this initial organizational period were Zeta in Long Beach, Eta in San Diego, and Theta in Bakersfield. On October 13-14, 1956, the first California State Convention was held at the Claremont Hotel in Berkeley. One hundred and thirty-two members were registered. Dorothy Vaio, Beta, was elected to the California State Board at that Convention.

*I am eternally grateful to the exceptional women who have come before me; I have had the honor and privilege of knowing Grand President, Betty Rosenberg, and Past State Presidents Joan Taber, Mayme Chinn, Dorothy Vaio, Barbara Hill, Belle Goldstein, Noel Leonard, Anna Konstantopoulos, Alice Bullard, Barbara Hill, Susan Goto, Barbara Murray, Donna Ray, Linda Futterer, Judy Welch, Rosemary Heenan, and my own Xi sister and mentor, Barbara Stein. I name these women, because along with many other California and International sisters, these women have each **made a difference** in my life ~ not only in my life, but in the lives of countless women educators and the many lives touched by them. I am honored to be a member of California Alpha Delta Kappa and to serve as your state president. I will do my best to continue making a difference; I wish you all the best this school year and Fall season and I challenge you to join me in **Making a Difference** during the 2012-2014 biennium.*

With fraternal love,

Mollie



California Alpha Delta Kappa

Making a Difference

Goals for 2012 – 2014

1. Continue to expand the use of technology, Making a Difference

- Use the California, Regional and International web sites to connect members across all of Alpha Delta Kappa.
- Use the California and International web sites to access and post relevant information and forms; move to interactive forms which may be completed online.
- Encourage and assist chapters in creating their own web sites with relevant information for their chapter sisters.
- Continue to highlight the web sites and relevant information at District Conferences and State Convention.
- Agendize Use of Technology to Make a Difference at each State Board meeting.

2. Support and encourage leadership opportunities at all levels – chapter, state, regional and International, Making a Difference.

- Continue the Leadership Training for incoming State Board officers at the beginning of each biennium; State Board officers then train Chapter/Council Officers in the four Districts within the first two months of the biennium.
- Continue grants for First Timers at a State Convention and for Council Presidents/Secretary-Treasurers at SWR Conference.
- Continue a line item to assist State Board officers with expenses to attend SWR Conference and International Convention.
- Agendize SWR and International updates at each State Board meeting.

3. Continue membership growth statewide, Making a Difference

- Continue to use scholarship opportunities and altruistic service as a marketing tool for membership.
- Actively pursue new chapter development; partner/nurture potential new chapter sisters with an existing chapter.
- Personally write to each new member, welcoming her to California Alpha Delta Kappa.

4. Actively publicize AΔK scholarship recipients and partner with well-known altruistic projects to increase awareness/knowledge of California Alpha Delta Kappa, Making a Difference.

- Showcase scholarship recipients and their projects at every District meeting.
- Partner with St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital where possible to associate our name with theirs (volunteer at the Hospital and Dream Homes).
Use technology and electronic media to showcase the altruistic projects of chapters state wide.

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Valley Sisters Support St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital

California Gamma and Xi sisters are continuing their tradition of supporting our International Altruistic Project, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, by volunteering to sell Dream Home tickets at the Dream Home located in Clovis every Saturday and Sunday this Fall. The Dream Home Giveaway raises about \$1 million annually (the operating cost of the Hospital for **one** day!). What a great way to promote Alpha Delta Kappa, Make Connections, Moving Forward Together AND Make a Difference for children and their families from all over the country!

Kudos to and Gratitude from Beta Tau, Chico

May 12, 2012

Dear California Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters,

Thank you to the California ladies who selected our chapter, Beta Tau, of Chico, to receive the Betty Rosenberg Golden Chapter Award at the state convention in Burlingame. We feel it's an honor to hold such a noble gift for the next biennium. During our May installation, Lorna Fleming and I surprised our new president, Mary Krause, and the rest of the members, with the plaque. Pleasingly shocked would be understating everyone's reaction.

Our chapter is known as the most northern CA group, yet we've been recognized for over forty years of commitment to ADK's beliefs and actions. Fortunately, Patricia Spear and Martie Chambless, our charter members, have had the privilege of meeting Betty Rosenberg.

Again, thank you for recognizing Beta Tau's achievements.

Sincerely, Nancy Joiner, Immediate Past President, Beta Tau

Making a Difference for Teachers and Students

Beta Rho (Burlingame) chapter has been using altruistic funds to support teachers with grants for supplies or projects that make a difference for their students, allowing teachers to provide experiences for their students that would not be possible otherwise. We have been doing this for a number of years, and have had some wonderful thank you notes which detail their use of our grants. One teacher bought special Orff instruments to use with her students; one was able to expand her classroom library with our funds. We invite recipients to our meetings to meet them in person.

Lucretia Axtell, Co-president, Beta Rho

Former State President Susan Goto Still At It!

In Susan's home town of Roseville, where she has served as a member of the Board of Trustees for many years, a Susan Goto Performing Arts Scholarship was established in 2004. She has had the privilege and honor of giving a scholarship to students from Roseville's 3 middle schools at their annual awards events on behalf of AΔK. To date 28 students have received the scholarship with \$4300 spent.

Way to go, Susan!



HISTORIAN'S CORNER

When I joined Alpha Delta Kappa (Zeta) on September 15, 2003, I was attracted by the camaraderie of the members. I also was impressed with the altruism of the sisters including the scholarships given to teachers. Since then I have been given chapter leadership responsibilities such as Scholarship Tea Chairperson, Vice President, President, Zeta Newsletter, Orange Coast Council Treasurer, and State Committee for Altruistic Reporting. Knowing that my members had confidence in my ability to lead was inspirational. Now I have been given the position of California State Historian. I vow to work hard to achieve the goals of Alpha Delta Kappa and I hope you do too.

At this time I am creating an online archive for the new biennium using Snapfish. Some of you may have used it before. Training will take place at the District Conferences this fall. You will be given a new user I.D. and password. Right now your job is to take your camera to every ADK meeting and event and take pictures. I look forward to meeting you at your District Conference. Happy Snapping!

Monica Meade



Highlights of the Joint Northwest/Southwest Region Conference in Colorado!

Thirty California sisters made an impression during the Joint Regional Conference this past July at the Inverness Hotel and Conference Center outside of Denver. There were excellent speakers, officer training and personal enrichment workshops, a flying critter (!), and tons of fun. See a few pictures below of the fraternity and frolic!



Important Upcoming Dates

October 15 - Deadline for Part A of the H-128 Membership Action Plan - send to International Headquarters. Also may be completed online @ www.alphadeltakappa.org under Resources/Documents and Forms

October 15 - Deadline for SWRegional Mini-Scholarship application for activities taking place Nov. 15, 2012 - May 15th, 2013. Contact Rosemary Heenan at rosemary_heenan@roadrunner.com or 909-425-1245.

October 15 - Deadline for submitting proposed amendments to International Bylaws Chairman Ann Marie Brown, 6133 S. Huachua Way, Chandler, AZ 85249 AND for proposed 2013 Resolutions to be received by International Resolutions Chairman Melinda McGee, Rt 2 Box 1029, Stilwell, OK 74960

November 15 - Deadline for CA Mini-district Scholarship application; contact Carolyn Rising at donrising@aol.com or 510-524-2490.

January 31st, 2013 - deadline for dues to State and Int'l HQ

July 4th - 7th, 2013 - International Convention in Washington, D.C.



More

Making a Difference

Beta Pi supports the efforts of Books Aloud at the Martin Luther King Library in San Jose, CA. Books Aloud is an organization dedicated to recording books and purchasing commercial books on tape to lend free of charge to clients locally, nationally and internationally. Adults and children of all ages choose authors or interests. Once a month a group of us goes into the library, helps select and process books for these clients.

Beta Pi is rewarded by knowing our efforts to support Books Aloud has made a difference in so many readers lives.

Thank you for sharing and Making a Difference,
Diana Pires and
Lynda Holt,
Co-Presidents of
CA Beta Pi



Happy 65th Birthday, Alpha Delta Kappa!

Congratulations!

Sixty-five years of recognizing outstanding women educators is something to celebrate!

Check out the NEW California web site at www.adkcalif.org (the login and passwords remain the same). A BIG THANK YOU to Webmaster Janet Armstrong, Gamma Kappa, for her hours and expertise in redesigning our web site! It is still a work in progress, with additions on a regular basis. Hot off of State President-elect Mary Ann Englehart's computer is the 2012-2014 Presidents' Council Handbook. Please peruse it and let her know of any additions or corrections. All Council Presidents will receive a printed copy within the next month or so as State Board Liaisons deliver them to you. Send suggestions for the web site to susan.raffo@gmail.com.