

PEARLS OF WISDOM

California Alpha Delta Kappa

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President's Message

Starting the New Year gives me an opportunity for a fresh start and a new perspective on things. I can evaluate what worked for me in 2018. I can identify what did not work and readjust. This can lead to a healthier, happier and more prosperous 2019.

I will apply this same process as California Alpha Delta Kappa President so 2019 will be great year for all of my California sisters. You can help me with this process by letting me know if you need assistance with anything and by keeping me informed of what is going on in your chapter.

Many of you have already sent chapter minutes to me. I enjoy reading them and finding out about all the wonderful activities and projects going on all over our state. I can feel the enthusiasm jumping right off the pages. Chapters only need to send me their minutes twice a year, but if you have something special that you want me to know about please send it to me.

Keep those pictures coming so I may share your news with the rest of the California chapters in the newsletters.

I believe we should all have a new "learning for the day" every day. New learning keeps us mentally active and moving forward in life. May all of you celebrate new learning throughout 2019, and may your 2019 be happy, healthy and prosperous.

Karen Kirby



Here is a great idea.

CALIFORNIA BETA PI SAFEGUARDS ITS CHAPTER **HISTORY at City Archive**

California Beta Pi worked throughout the year with Cate San Jose History archive curator Cate Mills to place the chapter's yearbooks and original charter in the archives. The chapter decided to preserve its history following the Peninsula South Bay Council's directive to preserve chapter history.

The report from Beta Pi said, "Input from our State Board guided us to prepare the volumes by eliminating all contact information to preserve member privacy. A summary of highlights from each volume served as a table of contents to accompany them and serves as a record we can retain for reference as well. Unfortunately, only seven volumes were accounted for, including the very first one, which covered the first five years. The reality that this was all that could be recovered for a chapter that was chartered in 1968, made it even more crucial to secure these remaining treasures. For posterity, one can visit the archive or even check out the volumes "



Beta Pi decided to celebrate their 50th anniversary on March 30, 2018, by placing their history in the expert hands and controlled environment of the San Jose History archive where it will be available to ADK members and

other researchers who may be interested in the chapter's history and accomplishments.

Look closely and you will find Miss Poppy, aka Joanne Grimm. Alpha Alpha chapter hosted an event for teachers at Global Family Elementary School in Oakland. Miss Poppy and her story telling talent were the prizes for one lucky classroom.

A Message from State Vice President for Membership Mari Page

Dear Sisters.

This time of year allows us to reflect on our past lives and accomplishments both personal and in Alpha Delta Kappa. We in Alpha Delta Kappa realize what a gift our membership is. Now is the time to think about those educators we work with, or have worked with, and offer this gift to them. Our membership campaign is starting on January 1, 2019. This is the

time for your chapter to make a resolution to get new members! We need to remember that adding new members should be a goal for every sister in our organization.

We have several chapters that have added new members recently. I would like to recognize **Gamma** Chapter who added 2 new members and **Tau**, **Beta Omicron**, **Beta Rho and Beta Upsilon** who each added one. This information was from the December report I received recently.

I hope that California Alpha Delta Kappa rises to the challenge of adding new members and we continue to be the leader in the Southwest Region and maybe even Internationally! longstanding and beloved sisters. The five Gold, Silver and Sapphire Sisters were invited, The newer members interviewed, took notes, and acted as hostesses. They said they learned so much from the ladies about Beta Eta in the early days, as well as the history of Roseville. The honored sisters later shared that **The Treasures' Tea** made them feel very special and appreciated.

According to an attendee, "Everyone left with full hearts and plates full of treats." The tea originated with last year's Beta Eta President Kim Gerould. It was such a success that the current president, Christy Thorson, with the chapter's support, decided to hold the Treasures' Tea again this year.





Beta Eta held a tea in Teresa Heitmiller Olea's 1910 Victorian Cottage home to honor the chapter Our honorees this year are in the front row: Mary Pat Gayaldo, Sapphire; Deidre Dahlberg, Sapphire; Sharon MacDonald, Silver; and Diana Galvan, Sapphire.

Standing behind the honorees are chapter members.

Attract an∆ Keep Members



It's a new year, you have a new opportunity to

Attract an \(\Delta \) Keep Members.

New/reinstated members must be initiated/reinstated and all current forms and fees must be received at Headquarters by *April 30, 2019* to qualify for the International Membership Campaign award.

Forms required for new members are:

- ☐ **H-103** Membership Application form sent to International Headquarters prior to initiation.
- □ H-133 Report of Initiation sent to International
 Headquarters. immediately following initiation. (If the H-133 is not received we are unable to complete the new member process.)

Form required for reinstatement:

☐ **H-154** Petition for Reinstatement.

The Membership Trifold may be used as a membership tool during the MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Betty Jo Evers, IMC SWR Membership Consultant





Beta Phi sisters pose at one of their monthly lunch meetings. Lunch meetings sounds like a great way to infuse some fun into those meetings.



The California Alpha Delta Kappa Executive Board is privileged to announce that International Vice President for the Southwest Region and Past California State President Mollie Acosta, of California Xi chapter, has qualified as a candidate for International President-Elect. Our best wishes are extended to her and to all candidates for International Office.

Altruistic Report Period

Chapter Altruistic Reports are due to March 15, 2019. A link to the form is on the California website. Send your reports to:

Northern & Valley

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Marina & Southern

Kathy Raschka, *Beta Theta* 806 Fawn Pl Santa Barbara, 9310 (805) 687-7857 kathy.raschka@gmail.com



The International Convention will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, July 17-20, 2019. Make hotel reservations early: Hilton Minneapolis Hotel, 2001 Marquette Ave South, 55403. Reservations may be made beginning January 5 by calling 888-933-5363 or online https://book.passkey.com/go/Alp haDeltaKappa 2019. Ask for the Alpha Delta Kappa Convention rate. (\$179 per night excluding taxes)

Three wonderful sisters have agreed to take over positions on the State Scholarship Committee. Thank you Nan Caldwell and Addie De Medeiros, Beta Pi, who will represent the Northern and Valley Districts. Thank you Diana Poettgen, Gamma Mu, who will represent the Marina and Southern Districts.



Here is another great idea shared by International Membership Consultant Betty Jo Evers:

AAK DOLLARS

"It's fun to save \$1 bills with the letters A, D or K in the circle to the left of President Washington's picture. Start saving them now and you will have spending money for Minneapolis! One week, I collected 8 ADK dollars, the next week ... none! I wonder how much I will have saved by July 17?

The Longest Day is June 21, 2019. Watch for INSPIRATION and instructions from Diana Galvan, "California Cares" team captain.



At the 2018 State/Province/National training, many ideas were shared **for locating new members**. Below are some ideas that might **INSPIRE** you.

Locating Members

- school administrators
- college/university/technical schools/correctional facilities
- schools within churches; private schools; charter schools
- hand deliver brochures (The Gift of Membership trifold)
- volunteer in schools to get to know teachers
- provide treats for new teachers, retiring and returning teachers
- look at day care centers and preschools
- reinstatements
- grandchildren's teachers
- local paper articles about outstanding teachers (Teachers of the Year, REB awards)
- ask qualified teachers to present a program to your chapter
- have a booth or float at community events to "advertise" A∆K
- provide information in teacher lounge, mailrooms
- share KAPPANs
- check into education majors at local college
- check into retired teacher organizations for newly retired
- support summer reading program at local elementary school
- check rosters of committees/organizations members belong to
- send invitations to chapter meetings to teachers of the year
- local union socials
- participate in charitable events wear your A∆K shirt
- libraries
- data base of alumni
- substitute teachers
- recruit from chapters that have disbanded
- check local news for any special awards given to teachers
- cooperating teachers colleges
- book clubs

Thanks to all the chapters who have sent me a copy of their chapter meeting minutes. This must be done twice each year of the biennium. I do enjoy reading them. Here is a gem I found in Alpha Alpha's minutes of 11/18: "Live, Love, Give. That is what we are all about." – Alpha Alpha Chaplain Shirley Shelby-Watson.



Congratulations to two Mini Grant recipients:

Kathleen Waffle, Beta Eta, Northern District. Kathleen will receive \$500.00 to fund STEAM projects at her school.

Debbie Waltzer, lota, Southern District. Debbie will receive \$500.00 to develop classroom theater activities. * Send any chapter officers' contact information changes to Sara Cooper:

adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com

- * Send any chapter members' email changes to Diana Galvan: adk.dianaglavan@gmail.com
- * Send new initiates names and email addresses to Karen Kirby: adk.karen.kirby@gmail.com



goes to Newsletter Editor Joanne Grimm, *Alpha Alpha*, for sharing her editorial skills. Joanne, you are truly a piece of California Gold.

UPCOMING DATES

- January 1 April 30, 2019: International Membership Campaign
- January 26, 2019: Marina District Conference, Los Robles Greens, Thousand Oaks
- January 31, 2019: Regional Professional Development Scholarship deadline: This awards \$3,000 total to fund two annual regional scholarships for members to use for advanced study/project linked to a degree. See the International website for more information.
- February 15, 2019: <u>Living Memorial Scholarship Application</u> deadline: This awards \$2,000 to members for the study of another culture or country. See the International website for more information.
- **February 15, 2019:** Fine Arts Grant: This is a \$10,000 grant given either as a single grant or divided among two or more recipients. It is for members to promote the study and awareness of the arts. See the International website for more information.
- March 1, 2019: <u>Maxine B. Pettibone Scholarship</u>: This is a one-time \$1,000 scholarship for members or non-members and is awarded to A∆K descendants for graduate level studies. See the International website for more information.
- March 1, 2019: <u>Alpha Delta Kappa Future Educator</u>: This is a \$1,000 given in each region for non-members to assist the students in education with final two semesters.
- March 9, 2019: Southern District Conference, Rancho Bernardo
- March 15, 2019: By Laws certification letter from all chapters due to Susan Raffo. See the California website for more information.
- March 15, 2019: Chapter Altruistic Reports due to State Altruistic Committee
- June 21, 2019: Longest Day, raising funds for Alzheimer's Association
- July 17 20, 2019: International Convention, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- April 25, 2020: California State Convention, Northern District
- July 13 16, 2020: NW/SW Conference Honolulu, Hawaii