



# VISIONS

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## REFLECTIONS

*Diana Galvan, California State President*

“**Reflect the Vision**”, California’s theme for the 2016-18 biennium, was chosen to remind us of the vision of our founders to create an organization to promote professionalism and personal ties among women educators. You are women of vision.

Our banner reflects the beauty and inspiration of California’s mountains, lakes, and wildflowers. Are the flowers poppies or violets? What do you see when you look at your reflections in the waters? I hope you see past, present, and future visions for yourselves and for Alpha Delta Kappa.

As your state president, I challenge each chapter to add at least one new member this year and to strive to achieve 7-Pearl status. Achieving these two goals will ensure that our organization thrives. Does your chapter have a Pearls Monitor to keep track of important deadlines to earn pearls? Guidelines for earning pearls can be found in the information packet sent to chapter presidents as well as on the California and international websites.

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## STRENGTH IN SISTERHOOD CONFERENCE THEME

Sisters in the Northern and Valley Districts are busy with plans for fall district conferences. Strength in Sisterhood is the theme of the Northern District conference, October 8, at the Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton. Peralta is the host council. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Reservations, due Sept 20, are \$30 and include a continental breakfast and lunch.

Members of the State Executive Board will answer frequently asked questions in “What’s Up?”, a program of information that will help chapters upgrade, update and uplift their programs and activities. **Karen Kirby**, state president-elect, is program chair.

The Irvington High School choir will perform, according to **Serena Johnson Rojas**, (Alpha), Peralta Council President and conference chair.

The Fresno-Clovis chapter is host for the Valley District conference on November 5 in Fresno at the Trinity Lutheran Church. **Mary Frances Gomes** is council president.

Attending your district conference is a great way to make connections with other members and share innovative ideas. ∞

## WELCOME NEW CA SISTERS

<i>June 2016</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
Anne Killian	Pi
Robin Oliver	Gamma Tau
<i>July 2016</i>	
Jill Crooks	Gamma Nu
Kristen Ellis	Gamma Nu
Erin Fouse	Gamma Nu
Kristen Ashton	Gamma Sigma
Jennifer Knecht	Gamma Sigma
Irayma Smith	Gamma Sigma

## CONFERENCE SELLING OK

Chapters may now sell items to support their altruistic projects at district conferences according to a change made in the State Policy and Procedures by the CA Executive Board in response to a resolution passed at the CA State Convention.

Chapters may sell only at their own district conference. The policy change does not pertain to conventions or to regional conferences.

To sell, a chapter must request permission in writing from the host council and pay a \$20 non-refundable vendors fee. Funds from the items sold are to be used for altruistic projects. The host council has the final decision in the number of chapters that may sell and in the placement of the sales tables based on the space available. ∞

## CRISIS FUND PLANNED

The Executive Board is working on the Policy and Procedures for the second resolution passed at the State Convention, according to Diana Galvan, State President. This resolution asks the State Executive Board to explore establishing a permanent fund to support educators who have suffered losses through natural disasters or crises, to be funded by volunteer contributions of Alpha Delta Kappa Sisters. ∞

## NEW STATE ALTRUISTIC PROJECT

Break the Barriers, a non-profit organization that works with special needs children and adults is the newest state altruistic project. The program is based in the Central Valley and was nominated by Gamma. Chapters may send donations to **Marlene Cordova**, State Treasurer, marked Break the Barriers. ∞

## DUES ARE DUE BY DEC 31

International dues have increased by \$5 to \$40. State dues remain at \$20. 😊



## DID YOU KNOW?

→**Dorothy Vaio** (Beta) and **Mayme Chinn** (Alpha Psi) are the first CA Diamond Sisters. They have been members for 60+ years. Dorothy was state president in 1962 and Mayme in 1974. They were presented with a book of the paintings and quotes of Georgia O'Keefe signed by sisters at the recent Northwest/Southwest Regional Conference in New Mexico in gratitude for their years of service. ∞

→That Gamma Sigma's own **Kerry Hackman** is quoted on the benefits of membership in the new Alpha Delta Kappa brochure. Kerry should know. She was the state vice president for membership and was recognized for her work. Brochure #S45 may be ordered at no cost from International Headquarters. ∞

→Five CA sisters each received \$100 grants from the Noel Leonard legacy for attending the regional conference in New Mexico and sharing their training with their chapters and councils. The recipients chosen by their councils are: **Rosena Kruley** (Beta Alpha), Delta; **Marlene Cordova** (Phi), Golden Gate; **Anita Brown** (Alpha Lambda) Penn/So Bay; **Sally Sifuentes** (Beta Eta), Sierra and **Harriett Kelly** (Gamma Nu), Orange Coast. ∞

## NEW WORLD UNDERSTANDING PROJECT

**T.E.A.C.H. (Training, Educating and Affirming the Children of Haiti)** Alpha Delta Kappa members' donations will help build six additional classrooms for a secondary school at the orphanage in Croix Des Bouquets, Haiti. The funds will also support the expansion of the Saturday trade school and women's skills program.

<http://www.ImagineMissions.org>

Donations may be made through the website or by mailing a check made out to The Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation to 1615 W 92nd St, Kansas City, MO 64114. Please note "Project T.E.A.C.H." in the memo line of the check or in the special notes of the [online donation form](#). ∞



*Left: Dan & Karen Kirby take Australian sister, Judith Brown to Disneyland following NW/SW Conference.*

*Below: CA sisters fill the staircase at the Tamaya Resort*

*Bottom: Hawaii State President, Amy Katsumoto and California President, Diana Galvan contribute to the NW/SW Altruistic Project*

*Bottom right: Joanne Grimm & Sara Cooper sell CA shirts.*



## NORTHWEST/SOUTHWEST AΔK REGIONAL CONFERENCE TAMAYA RESORT BERNALILLO, NEW MEXICO, AUGUST 1-3, 2016

*Mary Krause, California State Historian*

AΔK sisters from 13 states and Australia gathered to enjoy the camaraderie of good friends, to bask in the beautiful New Mexican landscape, to marvel at the exquisite pottery, weaving, and jewelry, and to experience the revitalization of 41 sisters from California who took part in this three day event.

Sisters met, celebrated their accomplishments with one another, and articulated their concerns to the ADK women who make up the International Executive Board.

Workshops were presented to all members who wished to increase their knowledge of the specific functions of AΔK. This gave needed information to participants allowing them to share with their sisters who were not able to attend. Membership, altruism, technology, and world understanding were very much a part of these presentations. California sisters were amazing, presenting many workshops to share their expertise with members from other states. Thank you California sisters for all that you do to make our AΔK sisters better educators.∞

*A vision: CA sisters **Barbara Horn, Cathie Wright, Carolyn Rising, and Sheila Welt** singing in the NW/SW Choir.♪∞*



## CALENDAR

### OCT 1 REQUIRED FOR PEARL

#### CHAPTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT (EVEN YEAR) DUE

Download form from [www.alphadeltakappa.org](http://www.alphadeltakappa.org)

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Jean Kiyabu, SW Regional Membership Consultant

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### OCT 15

#### REGIONAL MINI-SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

Download application from [www.alphadeltakappa.org](http://www.alphadeltakappa.org)

Mail copies to:

Linda Kuwana, SW Regional Scholarship Chair

23 West 900 North, Tremonton, UT 84337 AND

International Headquarters

### OCT 30

#### CA DISTRICT MINI-SCHOLARSHIP APPS DUE

Download application from [www.adkcalif.org](http://www.adkcalif.org)

Mail to:

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3415 Garrow Dr., Antioch, CA 94509

### OCTOBER REQUIRED FOR PEARL

#### OBSERVE ALPHA DELTA KAPPA MONTH

REPORT ON FORM H-114

### NOVEMBER 1

#### INNOVATIVE & CLASSROOM GRANTS DUE

Download application from [www.alphadeltakappa.org](http://www.alphadeltakappa.org)

PAYS \$400 FOR MATERIALS & SERVICES THAT ENHANCE CLASSROOM LESSONS.

## GRANTS

### FUNDS FOR PROJECTS

Need some help in getting a special project started? This fall, there are grants available that can get you on your way.

The purpose of **CA District Mini-grants** is “to promote continuing professional and/or personal development while benefiting other members of the community at large.” This grant is available to both classroom and retired educators. A total of \$500 in grant money is available to each district in the state. Applications are available on the CA state web site. Application deadline is October 30.

November 1 is the deadline for submitting applications for the Innovative and the Classrooms grants. The purpose of both grants is to help teachers be creative in their lesson planning.

The **Innovative** grant is for non- Alpha Delta Kappa members. A member must recommend the teacher applying and the teacher needs to fill out an application.

The **Classroom** grant is for members and requires only an application.

Applications and the grant requirements are on the International web site under Grants.

“Last year 17 Innovation Grants were awarded to educators who had dreams that would not have come to fruition without them,” said **Mollie Acosta**, Innovation Grant Chair.∞

### CA ALTRUISM GENEROUS

California AΔK sisters donated over 100,000 hours of service during the 2014-2016 biennium.

Monetary and non-monetary gifts and scholarships reported totaled \$632,933.∞

### CA BYLAWS UPDATES REQUIRED

Changes approved at the 2015 International Convention must be incorporated into state and chapter bylaws in order to preserve non-profit status with the IRS. Current Bylaws are posted on both international and CA websites. Watch for upcoming details from Bylaws Chairman **Susan Raffo** about how to certify that your chapter’s bylaws are in compliance.∞

## CELEBRATE ALPHA DELTA KAPPA FOUNDERS' DAY MONTH

“We so appreciate their efforts and bask in the knowledge that they wished to make it a better world for women educators”, remarks **Mary Krause**, State Historian. We salute our founders, Agnes Shipman Robertson, Marie Neal, Marion Southhall, and Hattie Poppino for the hard work and dedication they gave us to make our organization a reality.

“Alpha Delta Kappa is a gift we give ourselves.” Norma Yapp, Southwest chaplain.

### *Celebrate the Vision!*

#### ATTENTION CHAPTER HISTORIANS

*Mary Krause, California State Historian*

Get ready to keep track of your chapter's escapades. Use a computer or notebook to record the highlights of your chapter. You will thank your lucky stars that you have kept a written and photographic journal of events during this biennium. Take pictures, label participants, make notes of meetings and file in a folder that you can access and summarize at the end of 2018. Keeping up is the key to making your historian job easy. (See Historian's Corner on CA website.)

***“Relationships and the relevance of what we do are the pillars of education.”***

Norma Binder, Assistant Superintendent  
Bernalillo School District, New Mexico

Share your chapter's news in the next newsletter. Send articles and information to Diana Galvan,  
[adk.dianagalvan@gmail.com](mailto:adk.dianagalvan@gmail.com)



#### Re-MEMBER-ings

*Sara Cooper, California V.P. for Membership*

One of the goals for this biennium is to increase state membership by adding fifty new sisters a year. That's about one per chapter.

My job as state membership chair is to help you do that. I can be reached at [adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com](mailto:adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com) for advice, suggestions and commiserating.

In your September meeting, it is important that your chapter complete the Chapter Needs Assessment. **This is due to me no later than October first and the sooner the better. Meeting the deadline will earn you a pearl. The form is available on the state web site.**

Include ways to energize and build enthusiasm into your meeting agendas. A suggestion I heard during the recent NW/SW Conference in New Mexico was to invite outstanding educators to your meetings to talk about education and to learn about Alpha Delta Kappa. Remember to add a few minutes of fraternity education to the agenda.

Suggestions and successful methods for building membership can be found in the membership manual available on the International web site. Send me your ideas and I will share them in this newsletter.

Keep in mind the E-Z way to increase membership. Energy, enthusiasm, education.

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#### CA WINS REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN 2016

At the NW/SW Regional Conference in New Mexico this summer, President **Diana Galvan** was thrilled to accept the award for initiating or reinstating the most members in the Southwest Region during the 2016 Membership Campaign.

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### OR

### ADK International website:

[www.alphadeltakappa.org](http://www.alphadeltakappa.org)

You must create your own User ID and password. Many areas now do not require you to sign in.