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REFLECTIONS

Diana Galvan, CA State President

As the first year of serving as your state president comes to a close, I am impressed with the many changes happening within our organization.

California continues to "Reflect the Vision" of Alpha Delta Kappa's founders in its many altruistic and educational leadership endeavors. Our chapters continue to grow and share their caring spirit. Great strides have been made to meet our biennium goals for achieving 7-Pearl status, growing our membership, and improving communication. I anxiously await the end of year reports.

Our organization is demonstrating its commitment to positive change as demonstrated by the decision to allow retired educators to be invited for membership, the updating of the Pearls of Achievement Award, revisions to the Excellence in Education selection process, the establishment of a new Distinguished Program Award, and the revision of the Chapter Needs Assessment.

WELCOME NEW CA SISTERS

February 2017

Chapter

Susan Lueck Alpha Lambda

March 2017

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| Deborah Hill | Beta Iota |
| JoAnn Labani | Beta Iota |
| Katie Zabaleta | Beta Iota |
| Sharon Brothers-Schneider | Beta Upsilon |
| Victoria Cupp | Beta Upsilon |
| Sue Forrest | Beta Upsilon |

GOLDEN SISTERS

Celebrating **50** years of membership in 2017

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| Peggy Tudor | Alpha Nu |
| Theresa Parella | Alpha Phi |
| Annette Ammer | Beta Xi |
| JoAnn Ford | Beta Omicron |
| Nancy Wilkison | Fidelis Delta |
| Carol Parks | Sustaining |

AAK INTERNATIONAL

CONVENTION JULY 12-15, 2017

"InspirED", the Educational Symposium in NOLA, promises to be a day full of fun, fellowship and opportunities to learn. Members are now able to print or download the documents for the workshops they plan to attend.

International President Ruth Ann Griggs reminds us that it is not too late to support the International World Understanding Project T.E.A.C.H. We are short of raising our goal of \$50,000, but Ruth Ann is optimistic about reaching the goal by July.

Your donations will help build six additional secondary school classrooms at the orphanage in Croix Des Bouquets, Haiti. To find out more, visit <http://www.ImagineMissions.org>.

Chapters and members can make donations through the website or by mailing a check to *The Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation*. 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. The address for mailing a check is: Alpha Delta Kappa 1615 W 92nd St. Kansas City, MO 64114.

REGISTER BY JUNE 15
to attend International Convention

THE LONGEST DAY IS JUNE 21

The Longest Day is an annual event that supports the Alzheimer's Organization, one of the two International altruistic projects. Members are invited to participate as individuals or teams doing something they enjoy and donating the proceeds to "California Cares". Or donations may be made directly to the CA team. Go to www.alz.org/adk. Select Find a Team to Join. Select California Cares. Click Donate or Join our Team. Our CA goal is to raise \$1800. Donations may be made from now through August. International chairman June Bellamy is hoping to report that we have already met our goal at International Convention. To donate by check, make the check out to "Alzheimer's Association" and mail to Diana Galvan, "California Cares" Team Captain.

NEW DIAMOND SISTER

March 27, 1957 saw **Barbara Stein** initiated into Xi chapter in Fresno. Since her initiation sixty years ago, Barbara has always been actively involved in the leadership of Alpha Delta Kappa. She has the honor of having served as California's seventh state president from 1968-1970.



International Convention 1959 Florida



Barbara Stein presenting a needlepoint she stitched to Paula De Young of the De Young construction company, builders of the Fresno St. Jude's Dream

Home. Xi and Gamma chapters volunteer at the Dream Home every year.

Barbara grew up on a farm on Stein Road in California's central valley. She taught elementary school in Fresno. Throughout her life, Barbara has been involved in her community. She continues to be active in the Fresno youth soccer program where she has served as their treasurer and even as a referee in years past. She is passionately devoted to the art of needlepoint, having created many projects for AΔK fundraisers.

CA STATE ALTRUISTIC PROJECT "Break the Barriers"

Xi chapter members toured the Break the Barriers facility recently. While there, Past State President Mary Ann Englehart presented a check from California Alpha Delta Kappa for \$500.00 to Rachel, our guide and one of the directors.



The facility is impressive. There were children and adults of all ages and abilities learning gymnastics, Tae Kwon Do, archery, swimming and fitness training. The goal of "Break the Barriers" is inclusion. The belief of the founders is that every person has potential and just needs the opportunity to realize it.

Their video, "Break the Barriers" is now available on the CA website. Click the Altruistic Project – State & International tab to view it and learn more about this organization.

Your chapter's support of the state altruistic project is appreciated. Mail checks to CA state treasurer, Marlene Cordova with "Break the Barriers" on the memo line.

Note: The CA Executive Board will sell crystal lanyards, purple shirts and CA pins at International Convention to support our state altruistic project.



Pictures above from tour of “Break the Barriers”

ALTRUISTIC REPORTING

California members volunteered over 42,000 hours of service, gave nearly \$114,000 in monetary gifts, and awarded over \$51,000 in scholarships this past year according to State Altruistic Reporting Chairmen, Hilary White and Rosena Kruley.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD NOMINATIONS

Andrea Street, CA State Chairman, Excellence in Education

The Excellence in Education Award is a perfect opportunity to honor an educator who *Reflects the Vision* set forth for the 2017-2018 biennium by President Diana Galvan. Every California chapter hosts active members that exemplify dedication to professional achievement and skills, demonstrate school and community leadership and collaboration, and make extraordinary and unique contributions to excellence in education, in addition to working to advance the purposes of Alpha Delta Kappa.

A colleague or a parent may make nominations. To be eligible, nominees must be active members in good standing, under contract and actively engaged in the profession of teaching, administration or a specialized field of education. The selection committee will review all nominations made by the **November 1, 2017 deadline** with the final decision made in February, 2018. The criteria for selection include professional dedication, knowledge, skills, commitment to the educational process, professional achievement and success, and school/community collaboration. Active involvement in Alpha Delta Kappa is also considered.

The California State recipient of this award is granted \$200 to help with her expenses in attending the 2018 Southwest Regional Conference. At that conference a regional recipient is named. That winner is encouraged to attend the International Convention where the international winner is announced. The final winner receives \$2500 and an additional \$2500 for her school. Forms and program guidelines are available at www.adkcalif.org. Completed nominations must be received by **NOVEMBER 1, 2017**. Send nomination forms to:

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msastreet@msn.com

Additional application material/rubrics will be mailed to nominees upon receipt of the nomination form.

WORLD UNDERSTANDING BOOK GROUP

Grete Lima, CA State Chairman World Understanding

Consider exploring World Understanding by forming a book group. It promotes excellence in education by allowing opportunities for promoting lifelong learning for the participants. A book group can be a connection to the greater community by inviting speakers and participants outside of AΔK. The fellowship we share with chapter members and friends during the book group takes us one step closer to a glimmer of World Understanding at the same time that it promotes and supports our international projects.

On February 4, 2017 three southern California chapters held their third joint World Understanding Book Group at historic Smiley Library in Redlands. Alpha Delta, Beta Iota, and Fidelis Iota chapters have named their cooperative effort "The Melinda Stevens World Understanding Project" as a memorial to one of the founding sisters of the book group

What better way to come to an understanding of our world than by reading a good book and discussing it with others? We open the book group to the entire community: friends, members of other book groups, relatives, and other chapters in our council. In this way we have hoped to foster world understanding through fellowship.

The book selection plays an important role in the success of the book group. We choose a title that either relates to the AΔK International World Understanding Altruistic Project, or to a current world event. In 2015 our selection was *Bead on an Anthill* by Delphine Red Shirt because it related to Books on the Move (our AΔK international project to provide a bookmobile for the Lakota Sioux reservation in South Dakota). In 2016 we read two books: *Waiting for Snow in Havana* by Carlos Eire and *Havana Real* by Yoani Sanchez. We have also found speakers for each book group who can give us insight into the book topic.

This year we read *Mountains Beyond Mountains* by Tracy Kidder which informed us of Dr. Paul Farmer's work in Haiti, a subject that related to our current international altruistic effort in Haiti, Project T.E.A.C.H. . Our guest speaker was a pediatrician who had assisted the people of Port-au-Prince following the 2010 earthquake. She congratulated AΔK on its project to fund the construction of classrooms at a school in Haiti. Having read the book and conversed with Dr. Williams we all could see the value in our commitment to education and we could reflect on how education supports public health.

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR 2018-2020 CA STATE ALTRUISTIC PROJECT

The focus of the California state altruistic project is to support programs and activities that enhance educational and/or charitable efforts within the state of California. CA State Altruistic Chairman, Linda Warfield invites all chapters to submit their proposals to her between now and the November 1 deadline. Application forms and the revised scoring rubric are available on the CA website.

HISTORIAN'S NOTE

Mary Krause, CA State Historian

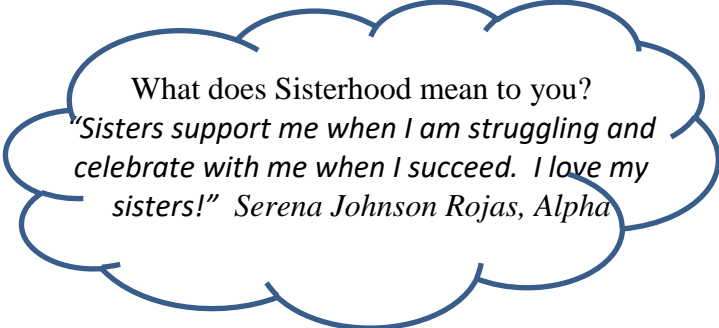
Hope all of you chapter historians have been taking pictures, pictures, pictures. Now is the time to select the best photos for this first year of the biennium rather than waiting until later. Then briefly summarize your chapter's activities, altruistic projects, and scholarship recipients, so that you don't have to go back later to figure it out. Also check the California Alpha Delta Kappa website, Historian's Corner, for further information regarding tasks needed to conclude your term for the 2016-18 biennium. Thanks for all that you do. Contact me with any questions. adk.marykrause@gmail.com

TREASURER TIDBITS

Marlene Cordova, CA State Treasurer

If you are having difficulty opening an Alpha Delta Kappa checking account you may need to provide your banker with an "Articles of Incorporation Letter". You can find it on the CA website under Treasurer's Corner or contact me for a copy.

May 31 concludes the Alpha Delta Kappa fiscal year. Each chapter must complete its annual C-1 Audit Report and file both state and federal ePostcards by July 1. C-1 reports and ePostcard verifications are to be sent to Marlene Cordova.



What does Sisterhood mean to you?
"Sisters support me when I am struggling and
celebrate with me when I succeed. I love my
sisters!" *Serena Johnson Rojas, Alpha*

SOUTHERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

On March 10, 2017, Alice Bullard, San Diego Council president welcomed members and guests to the Southern District Conference at the Bay Club on Shelter Island, San Diego. The theme was “Reflect the Vision”. Mary Brandeberry, Psi, introduced guest speakers David Crum and Kari Topland from Washington Elementary School who shared information about the school’s Homeless Outreach program. Southern District members presented the leaders with many bags of socks and underwear to support their effort.



Diana Galvan, state president, presented the 2016 regional membership award pin and certificate for the highest increase in state membership to Becky Sikes, Alpha Pi, past CA vice president for membership.



Learning more about using the state and international websites was a favorite topic in the fraternity education portion of the program. “I’m going to use it now that I really know how,” said a member in her conference evaluation. Karen Kirby, state president-elect, planned and led the fraternity education portion of the program

which was facilitated by a visit from Ms Poppy and the CA state executive board.



Nancy Wilkison and Mary Brandeberry

SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTIONS

Lynne Keating, CA State Recording Secretary

At the state executive board meeting held March 10-11, 2017, in San Diego, the following actions were approved:

- A donation in the amount of \$500.00 will be sent to the state altruistic project, Break the Barriers.
- The state executive board will sell lanyards at the International Convention and other events, and authorized the purchase of 250 lanyards at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00.
- The board accepted revised job descriptions for positions on the state executive board.
- Section D, Perpetual Chapter Membership Award, in Policy and Procedures was approved, as revised, with an action date of March 11, 2017.
- The board approved \$3,000.00 as the award amount for the Eleanor Bendell State Scholarship for 2018.
- For State Convention 2018, the location of Santa Ana Doubletree Hotel, dates of May 4-6, 2018, and Orange Coast Council as hosts were approved.
- Upon request from the state convention chairman for release of \$7,500.00 in seed money for the 2018 state convention, the board approved release of the funds.

STATE BOARD SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR OFFICERS

The election of new officers to serve on the CA state executive board 2018-2020 will be held at the California state convention on May 5, 2018. Applications for candidacy must be submitted to Candidate Qualifications Chairman, Mari Page, by November 30, 2017. An online candidate’s filing form will be available on the CA website on the State Convention page this summer.

ASK MS POPPY

You met Ms Poppy, alias Joanne Grimm, CA State Corresponding Secretary, at the four district conferences held this year. She created quite a stir. And now she has started her own column.

Read on.



Dear Ms Poppy,

Our chapter has one member who monopolizes the meeting. She goes on and on about her personal life and wears everyone out with her negative opinions. Any ideas?

President with an earache

Dear Sister Earache,

Gee, you just described me, although my opinions are not negative, just thoughtful and, of course, right. After a day with children, teachers are eager for an adult voice even if it is only their own. Passing a large bowl of very sticky taffy often works. Try establishing game rules at the beginning of each meeting. Example might be; each member gets a turn to speak on a subject before a member may have a second turn. If you have a silent member, ask her directly what she thinks. As president, it is your responsibility to keep the meeting focused and moving forward. As for negative remarks, thank the member and assure her that you will take her suggestions and warnings into consideration. She could be right. If nothing works, you can always send her out to find left handed napkins. That usually kept annoying eighth graders out of my life for an entire period.

Dear Ms. Poppy,

*Any ideas for livening up our meetings?
Thinking of going AWOL*

Dear AWOL,

Meet me in New Orleans and I'll show you how to sleep with your eyes open. At a meeting that seemed to go on into the night, the woman sitting next to me taught me Zen doodling...

Try thinking "gathering" instead of "meeting." It just sounds like more fun. Gather the group to watch an educational movie, say Fifty Shades of Grey, or do a "make- it- take it" project. I once led a group in a cupcake frosting contest. The participants not only learned to make frosting flowers, but that food coloring is forever. One of my favorite idea web sites is Weird and Wacky holidays. Your gathering date might fall on Share Your Middle Name Day or In Honor of Peeps Day. Think what you could do with days like those.

Dear Ms Poppy,

I'm confused. Is AΔK a sorority, a fraternity or an organization?

Wanting to be PC

Dear PC,

As a retired teacher of English, I congratulate you on wanting to use the correct term.

Alpha Delta Kappa is an organization. In *The Kappan* flag (that's the information on a publication that lists the mailing address, etc.) AΔK is identified as an International Organization for Women Educators. We are a fraternal organization because we are "a group banded together for mutual benefit or to work towards a common goal" according to Webster's unabridged dictionary. Because our membership is limited to women, we could be considered a sorority, but not a fraternity. Actually AΔK is a good deal and a good time.

AROUND THE STATE

Peralta Council – Awarded six scholarships to future educators at a special March luncheon

Beta Eta – Provided food for Sierra College food pantry supporting aging out foster youth at Sierra. Gave \$1000 scholarship to a student teacher who graduated from a local high school

Delta – Supported Good Shepherd Center for homeless women and children

Eta – Purse Party provided purses and toiletries for battered women and their families

Beta Rho – Gave \$1700 in grants to teachers to fund special projects.

Gamma Lambda – Donated hundreds of pounds of non-perishable food items to Napa Food Bank

Correction: The February edition of "Visions" incorrectly reported the chapter name celebrating its

60th ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to

PI Long Beach

Chartered March 27, 1957

CALIFORNIA ALTRUISM IN ACTION



Email photos and descriptions of your chapter's activities to Diana Galvan
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CALENDAR

- ◇ **MAY 31** Report of Initiation H-133 due at International to count for Positive Net Growth Pearl requirement
- ◇ **JUNE 1** **New** 7 Pearl requirements begin
- ◇ **JUNE 21** Alzheimer's Fundraiser "The Longest Day"
- ◇ **JUNE 30** Chapter Summary Highlights Form H-114 due for Pearl
- ◇ **JULY 1** C-1 Audit Report and ePostcards due to Marlene Cordova, CA state treasurer
- ◇ **JULY 12-18** International Convention in New Orleans
- ◇ **AUGUST 31** Member Needs Assessment due for Pearl
- ◇ **AUGUST 31** Early bird registration deadline for Northern District Conference to enjoy \$44 price

FUTURE DATES

- ◇ **OCTOBER 7** Northern District Conference, Jelly Belly Factory, Fairfield
- ◇ **NOVEMBER 1** Excellence in Education nominations due to Andrea Street
- ◇ **NOVEMBER 1** State Altruistic Project nominations due to Linda Warfield
- ◇ **NOVEMBER 4** Valley District Conference
- ◇ **NOVEMBER 30** Applications for candidacy for CA state executive board due to Mari Page
- ◇ **JANUARY 20** Marina District Conference
- ◇ **MARCH 10** Southern District Conference
- ◇ **MAY 4-6** CA State Convention, Santa Ana



The AAK PEARLS of Achievement Award Checklist (June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018)

* May be submitted on line.

| | Criteria | Officers Responsible for Report | Submit To Whom | Date Due | Date(s) Submitted by Chapter |
|---|---|---|--|--|------------------------------|
| 1 | Initiation and /or reinstatement of member(s) (H-133* IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING INITIATION and/or H-154) | Chapter Membership Chairman | International Headquarters | June 1 – May 31 (throughout the year) | |
| 2 | Annual Chapter Highlights Summary (H-114)* | Chapter Corresponding Secretary | International Headquarters | June 30 | |
| 3 | Chapter member(s) attended Regional Conference Or International Convention | Tracked by HQ and Regional Conference Registrars | Not applicable | July | |
| 4 | Chapter Needs Assessment* | Chapter Membership Chairman and Chapter President | S/P/N Membership Consultant & Regional Membership Consultant | August 1-August 31 (postmark) | |
| 5 | IRS Form 990-EZ* or 990-N Postcard* | Chapter Treasurer | IRS through AAK Website | Oct. 15 | |
| 6 | Member Payment Record with dues paid (H-138) | Chapter Treasurer | International Headquarters | Jan 31 (postmark) | |
| 7 | Altruistic Report* | Chapter Altruistic Chairman | S/P/N Altruistic Chairman | March 15 | |