



VISIONS

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REFLECTIONS

Diana Galvan, CA State President

“**Reflect the Vision**”, as you join with family, friends, colleagues, and sisters to celebrate the holiday season.

It was exciting to see the enthusiasm for striving to earn 7-Pearl status as I attended the Northern and Valley District Conferences this fall. An updated report should be available from international headquarters soon and will be posted on the California website.

The generosity of Alpha Delta Kappa sisters is certainly reflected in your many and varied altruistic activities as reported in your minutes.

The California Executive Board wishes each of you a joyful holiday and a peaceful New Year.

CAN YOU HELP?

California’s I.T.E. (International Teacher Education) student, **Elisa Ugarte**, was the unfortunate victim of theft of her computer. Can you imagine being a graduate student these days without a computer? Her sponsoring sisters in Alpha Alpha chapter, Oakland, are taking up a collection to help replace her computer. However, this is an opportunity for all of California’s Alpha Delta Kappa sisters to help.

Another expense incurred by Elisa’s co-sponsors, **Sara Armstrong** and **Joanne Grimm** from Alpha Alpha, was their airfare to attend the I.T.E. weekend in Kansas City in November. Co-sponsors are expected to attend with their I.T.E. students. However, this expense is not covered by International or State Budgets.

If your chapter would like to help, please send your check for any amount to State Treasurer, **Marlene Cordova** with the indication I.T.E. in the memo line. Your help is greatly appreciated.

RETIREES WELCOMED

A monumental decision by the International Executive Board will allow retired teachers who “continue to demonstrate a genuine interest and active involvement in the current educational process” to be invited to become members of Alpha Delta Kappa.

International President, **Ruth Ann Griggs**, states, “Our mission remains the same, Alpha Delta Kappa builds educational excellence, altruism and world understanding through fellowship. Alpha Delta Kappa remains an organization for women educators; now some new members will be in the classroom and some will have retired. Our membership still needs to grow and we need to initiate both active educators and retired educators who are still interested in and connected to education.”

A new membership application (H-103) identified by **R-17** at the top of the form will soon be available on the international website.

Retired teachers may be initiated into active chapters after January 1, 2017. Fidelis chapters may not initiate new retirees at this time.

I.T.E. WEEKEND

Kansas City, International Headquarters, November 11-12, 2016. What is I.T.E.? International Teacher Education. I.T.E. student **Elisa Ugarte** from Chile, along with her co-sponsors, **Sara Armstrong** and **Joanne Grimm** from Alpha Alpha chapter in Oakland traveled to Kansas City to attend the meeting of all Alpha Delta Kappa I.T.E. students and their sponsors along with the International Board. The purpose of the event was to share their experiences in the field of American education.

I.T.E. students receive \$10,000 to further their studies toward a career in teaching.

Begun in 1961 as an international altruistic project, to date Alpha Delta Kappa has sponsored over 200 students from more than 40 countries.



Re-MEMBER-ings

Sara Cooper, CA VP for Membership

MEMBERSHIP 2017 CAMPAIGN BEGINS

January 1 to April 15, 2017

Thank you to everyone for the overwhelmingly positive and timely response to completing the Chapter Needs Assessment which was due October 1. Pearls were earned.

December is a busy, busy month. We hit the road running the first day of December and don't breathe until New Year's Day. It doesn't matter if we are still teaching or retired. Before we know it, the holidays are over and the new dreams, resolutions, and outlooks are in play.

The International Board's decision to allow retired teachers to be considered for membership in Alpha Delta Kappa is timely. January begins the 2017 Membership Campaign, so look at your colleagues in the classroom, administration offices AND in any retired social circles and invite them to attend a chapter event with you. What a great way to start the New Year. AND, your chapter could win \$100 toward registration for the upcoming international convention.

This opportunity aligns beautifully with California's Vision for Growth.

Membership applications and fees (H-103) and Reports of Initiation for new members (H-133) must be received at International Headquarters no later than **April 15, 2017** to count for this campaign.

WELCOME NEW CA SISTERS

September 2016 *Chapter*
Michelle Ramos-Heffner Gamma Nu

October 2016
Kristin Brown Psi

PODCAST DEVELOPED

“GOING UP! ELEVATOR PITCHES”

Look on the Home page of the international website and you will see this headline in the moving video. Click on it. Choose California and you will hear **President-Elect Karen Kirby** answer the question “What is Alpha Delta Kappa and why should you join?” Here is the script:

*The answer is in the word **SISTERS**. I will spell it out for you.*

S is for Sisterhood. *When you become a member, you become a part of a special family.*

I is for International. *Alpha Delta Kappa is an international sorority of women educators.*

The second S in SISTERS is for Scholarship, *one of the main goals of our organization.*

T is for Teaching, *and isn't that what education is all about?*

The E in SISTERS is for excellence. *Alpha Delta Kappa promotes excellence in education.*

R is for recognition. *When you are invited to join Alpha Delta Kappa, someone has recognized the contributions you have made to education.*

The last S in SISTERS stands for sharing. *Alpha Delta Kappa sisters share of themselves, their time, their talents, and their wallets as they support many altruistic projects.*

*So, if you are asked to come to an Alpha Delta Kappa meeting, if you are asked to become an Alpha Delta Kappa sister, I hope you will say **YES**. Your life will be enriched.*

Sweet

Intelligent

Succinct

True to our goals

Emphasis on the positive

Really

Superb

Lynne Keating, Gamma Eta

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to two California chapters who will celebrate their 50th anniversaries in January.

Beta Xi, San Francisco, chartered Jan 16, 1967

Beta Omicron, San Diego, chartered Jan 21, 1967

MEET DIAMOND SISTER *BEVERLY KNOBLOCH, Gamma*



“I always enjoyed getting up in the morning,” says **Beverly Knobloch**, Gamma Chapter Diamond Sister

by Joanne Koch, Gamma

In Beverly’s own words:

Following three years of teaching English and history in junior high in the Fresno Unified School District, I received an invitation to attend a meeting concerning ADK, an educational sorority for women. Shortly afterward, I joined the new Gamma Chapter [in 1953] and I am still a member 63 years later. I still enjoy the members, programs, and especially the altruistic projects. During the years, I was twice president of Gamma Chapter and involved many times in choosing and assigning scholarships.

I taught for five years and was dean of girls and vice-principal for 26 years. [Women weren’t allowed to be school principals then.] I still think that working in education is one of the most important jobs that one can have, especially today.

Now I live in a senior center and am a member of our Senior Dog Squad, cheerleading at Fresno State football and basketball games occasionally.

Beverly retired from her life-long career in the Fresno Unified School District in 1988.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Go to the CA State Website:

www.adkcalif.org

User ID = kore123

Password = kore123

OR

ADK International website:

www.alphadeltakappa.org

You must create your own User ID and password.

Many areas now do not require you to sign in.

FINE ARTS GRANT WINNER *LISA ERNST, Beta*

Lisa Ernst from California Beta is a recipient of the Alpha Delta Kappa Fine Arts grant. Look for information about her plans for the grant in the next issue of *Visions*. You could be the next winner. Upcoming deadline is February 15.

DISTRICT MINI- SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Anne Yeghoian, State Scholarship Chairman, announced four District Mini-Scholarship winners. Each winner will receive \$500 for her project.

Karen Kirby, *Gamma Mu* – Purchase tools for Theater Technician class at Sunny Hills High School, Fullerton.

Teresa Heitmiller Olea, *Beta Eta* – Purchase Zuma Rocking Chairs for K-3 classrooms at Greenhills Elementary School, Granite Bay.

Tracy Bowen, *Beta Theta* – Purchase Osmo systems for student iPads for Kindergarten at Kellogg School, Goleta.

Linda Guitron, *Beta Xi* – Purchase books for school library at San Francisco International High School, San Francisco.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Approaching deadlines:

Jan 31 – Regional Professional Development

Feb 15 – Living Memorial Scholarship

Feb 15 - Fine Arts Grants

March 1 – Maxine B. Pettibone Scholarship

March 1 – ADK Future Educator Scholarship

April 15 – Regional Mini-Scholarship

Applications and information are available on the Alpha Delta Kappa international website www.alphadeltakappa.org. Enter “Scholarships” in the search box on the Home page of the website. Scroll down to the “Scholarships and Grants links page” and click the icon.

MOLLIE ACOSTA

Southwest Region Candidate International Vice President

Past California State President, **Mollie Acosta** from Fresno's Xi chapter, is a candidate for International Vice President of the Southwest Region. The election will take place at Alpha Delta Kappa's International Convention in New Orleans next summer.

Each chapter in the Southwest Region is entitled to two voting delegates who will elect the next SWR IVP as well as determine other bylaws changes at the convention.

Convention dates are July 12-15, 2017. Location is the Hilton Riverside Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. Registration and hotel reservations begin January 4, 2017. Chapters are encouraged to support the attendance of their two chapter delegates.

AROUND THE STATE

Beta Tau, Chico – Sisters voted to “**Adopt a Solder**”. Sisters collected or donated, packed and sent parcels of items requested by deployed soldiers. They also gave children's books to the local women's/children's shelter.

Beta Iota, Yucaipa – Adopted three families from local elementary schools, giving them clothes, toys, \$100 gift card for food. Sisters also made a blanket for each family. They gave 65 new books to Toys for Tots for parents to give as gifts. “Christmas Around the World” was the theme for their December meeting where members shared their heritage and Christmas traditions.

Gamma Mu, Mission Viejo - Sisters met at Jessie Rees Foundation headquarters to fill Joy Jars to be distributed to children fighting cancer

Jessie Rees was a beautiful, athletic, smart and compassionate 12 year old girl who bravely fought two brain tumors (DIPG) for ten months and two days. Her fight started on March 3, 2011 and ended on January 5, 2012 when she earned her angel wings. During her courageous fight, Jessie decided to focus on helping other kids fighting cancer that couldn't leave the hospital. This desire led to the creation of her fun-filled JoyJars and Never Ever Give Up (aka: NEGU) message. Today, JoyJars and NEGU are recognized symbols of hope, joy and love in over 29



countries.

VALLEY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Mary Krause -CA State Historian/Sgt-of-Arms



Mary Francis Gomez, Xi, Fresno Council President welcomed members to the Valley District Conference on November 5, 2016 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fresno. Sisters enjoyed a lovely brunch and were able to visit and renew acquaintances. Raffle tickets were sold to support the CA state altruistic project, **BREAK the BARRIERS**, based in Fresno.

The state executive board was introduced and provided fraternal education, led by a visitor to the conference, **Miss Poppy**. Corresponding secretary, **Joanne Grimm**, alias Miss Poppy, fielded questions from the audience and state executive board members took turns answering those questions. The audience enjoyed this light and entertaining presentation of information.



CEO and Co-Founder, **Deby Hergenrader** of



Break the Barriers, was the guest speaker for this conference. She related how this non-profit that started in the Fresno area has grown from a very small organization helping those with disabilities to an international organization that helps individuals on all six continents as well as in California.

The **Fresno Retired Teacher's Chorus** presented an excellent patriotic tribute to our veterans along with music that was exciting and was **A Vision of Community**. **Sandra Bright**, of Gamma chapter expertly led this wonderful choir. All enjoyed this finale to the Valley District Conference.



DUES DUE

CA State Treasurer, **Marlene Cordova** reminds all chapter treasurers that both international and state dues are due **by December 31, 2016**. Form H-138 Members Payment Record indicating amounts paid should accompany the check for international dues in the special envelope addressed to the bank. A copy of Form H-138 with the check for CA state dues should be sent to State Treasurer, Marlene Cordova. Late fees of \$5.00 per member will be assessed for both international and state dues received after January 31, 2017. Please direct questions to Marlene at adk.marlenecordova@gmail.com.

BYLAWS CERTIFICATION

Susan Raffo, CA Bylaws Chairman, reminds all chapters that they must certify that changes to International Bylaws approved at the 2015 international convention have been incorporated into their chapter bylaws in order to preserve non-profit status with the IRS.

Detailed instructions are on the CA website. Go to adkcalif.org and click Bylaws on the side menu. Deadline is March 15, 2017.

Any questions may be directed to Susan at adkraffo@gmail.com.

ALTRUISTIC REPORTING

Members are reminded to report their altruistic contributions of time, gifts and scholarships to your chapter altruistic chairman. Chapter reports are due March 15, 2017. Not sure what to report? A comprehensive list of what may be reported is on the CA website under Altruistic Reports.

What does Sisterhood mean to you?

"Sisterhood is supporting each other in all we do, from our fraternal connections to our personal lives. It is caring for one another on many levels."

Anonymous, Northern District Conference 2016

Share your chapter's news in the next "Visions". Send articles and pictures to Diana Galvan, adk.dianagalvan@gmail.com

SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTIONS

August -Approved the expenditure of \$456 for partial refunds of State Convention registration to sisters who requested refunds because they were unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances.

-Approved acceptance of policy covering chapter sales at district conferences.

October -Approved the use of unexpended State Convention funds, allocating those funds equally among scholarship, altruistic and leadership projects.

-Approved revisions to Policies and Procedures for the areas of hospitality suites at regional conferences and International Convention

-Approved change in name for two councils, changing Fresno/Clovis to Fresno, and Bakersfield/Delano to Bakersfield.


November -Approved the Policy and Procedure regarding the State crisis fund.

-Approved a donation through the Alpha Delta Kappa Foundation of \$175 each to North Carolina and Louisiana for hurricane disaster support.

FANCY FEET CONTEST



Can you identify the owners of these Fancy Feet?
Footnote, Barefoot, Fallen Arches, Big Toe, Footloose, Happy Feet, Sole Sister, Big Foot, Dancing Feet

You guessed it. These are the  feet of your CA State Executive Board Members. But who matches each nickname? The first member to correctly identify all will receive something special. Send your guesses to President Diana, adk.dianagalvan@gmail.com Good luck.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2018

NORTHWEST/SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE will be held in Anchorage, Alaska, July 9-11, 2018 and co-hosted by California and Alaska.

Kitty Nutting, Immediate Past State President from Colorado and certified travel agent has arranged a pre-conference cruise up the Inside Passage for those who might be interested. The Princess Cruise will arrive in Anchorage two days before the conference. Kitty states that

reservations are being accepted now and encourages early commitment since these dates are in the midst of Alaska's peak travel season. If you are ready to reserve a space, she will need your name (as on your passport), address, phone, birthdate, and credit card #, expiration date and code on the back. You can call her with your credit card info, if you'd rather not put it in an email. For more information, contact Kitty at kitnutting@aol.com or call her 907-663-5217.

VOYAGE OF THE GLACIERS (NORTHBOUND)

7 Days From Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada to Anchorage (Whittier), Alaska

NEW LOWER AIRFARES



Departure date: [Saturday, June 30, 2018 - Golden Princess V]

Voyage Number: [5820](#)

For some dates, port order may vary. [View itinerary below for details](#)

Number of Guests: [2 V]

Fares are per person, double occupancy, cruise only. [View pricing terms](#)

Stateroom type:	(X)Interior	()Oceanview	()Balcony	()Mini-Suite	()Suite	[Continue]
Sat, Jun 30, 2018 Golden Princess	\$949.00*	\$1,799.00*	\$2,249.00*	\$2,549.00*	\$3,449.00*	[Compare Staterooms]
Guests 3 & 4 - same stateroom	\$699.00*	\$699.00*	\$899.00*	\$899.00*	\$1,299.00*	Save this Cruise

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[Taxes, Fees & Port Expenses](#) additional: \$215.00* Fare Currency: USD

Itinerary



Port order and/or content may vary, please check specific sailing date for details. Port arrival and departure times are approximate and subject to change without notice. For more information please review the [Passage Contract](#).

Day	Port / Date	Arrive	Depart
1	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada Saturday, June 30		04:30 PM
2	At Sea Sunday, July 1		
3	Ketchikan, Alaska Monday, July 2	06:30 AM	02:00 PM
4	Juneau, Alaska Tuesday, July 3	08:00 AM	09:00 PM
5	Skagway, Alaska Wednesday, July 4	07:00 AM	08:30 PM
6	Glacier Bay National Park, Alaska (Scenic Cruising) Thursday, July 5	06:00 AM	03:00 PM
7	College Fjord, Alaska (Scenic Cruising) Friday, July 6	06:00 PM	08:30 PM
8	Anchorage (Whittier), Alaska Saturday, July 7	12:30 AM	

*Please note that prices are listed per person, non-air cruise-only and based on double occupancy. Third and Fourth guest fares apply to the 3rd and 4th guests booked in the same stateroom as the First and Second guests. Launch Fares are offering fares and may not have been in effect for the past 90 days or resulted in actual sales in all categories. Intermediate discounts may have been taken and fares may remain at discounted levels after this promotion. [Taxes, Fees & Port Expenses](#) are subject to change and Princess reserves the right to collect any increases in effect at the time of sailing even if the fare has already been paid in full. Prices are subject to change based on availability. Stateroom views are considered unobstructed unless noted otherwise. Photos, floor plan diagrams, and amenities represent typical arrangements and may vary by ship. Obstructions do not include certain nautical items like handrails, dividers or ship hardware. For balcony staterooms, the view is determined from the perspective of the balcony railing. Prices shown in USD. Please review [Passage Contract](#) for Cancellation Policy.