



# VISIONS

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## REFLECTIONS

*Diana Galvan, CA State President*

It seems like only yesterday that I was presented with the badge designating my new role as CA State President! Wow! Who would have thought? And now, in just a few weeks I will assume my new role as Immediate Past President. It seems like just as I'm feeling comfortable with my responsibilities as your state president, my time is over. When I was initiated 38 years ago at the invitation of a teacher whom I admired, I had no dreams to become the leader of our state. In fact, I probably spent twenty years of my membership asleep! I was busy! I accepted positions as Scholarship Chairman and "picture taker", but was not fully invested until I accepted the presidency of my chapter. At that moment, I decided that if I were going to be the chapter president, I'd better find out what this organization was really all about. So, I attended the state convention in San Diego. What a game changer! I got excited about the possibilities. I got the "Vision".

As California's 32<sup>nd</sup> biennium rapidly approaches its close, I am surprised at how fast the time flew by. Sisters throughout the state are working to put together a memorable state convention to "Reflect the Vision" of our wonderful organization. Chapters are electing new chapter officers to carry on the work of our founders. Leadership opportunities abound. Step up. Put your skills to use. Learn something new. Overcome your fear of the unknown. You will have the support of thousands of wonderful women. If you trip, someone will pick you up. If life throws you a curve, as mine did recently with the unexpected death of my younger sister, your Alpha Delta Kappa sisters will step up to nurture and care for you until your feet are back on solid ground. Our organization's purposes to promote excellence in education, provide scholarships for current and future educators, and contribute to world understanding, good will, and peace remain more important than ever. Let's reach out to expand our positive organization. Education is the cornerstone of a positive world. I'm proud to be an educator.

## STATE SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APPROACHES

**Three thousand dollars** awaits the next Eleanor Bendell State Scholarship winner. The award is given to a member of CA Alpha Delta Kappa who is actively engaged in education and is seeking advanced study or development of a project advancing student or educator proficiency. Applications available on the state website must be emailed to State Scholarship chairman, Robin Burns no later than **March 1**. The recipient will be announced at the state convention in May.

## REGISTER BY APRIL 1 TO ATTEND CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION

Head down Santa Ana way May 4 to May 6 and celebrate the California AΔK Vision at Fiesta de Mayo during the thirty-second state convention. Your destination is the Santa Ana DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel. The three days of smiles, sisterhood and yes, salsa begin on May 4 with the Hola Reception. Saturday is jam-packed with activities from the Leadership Breakfast to a general session to conduct state business including election of new state officers and ending in the traditional elegant Banquet and Installation of Officers. Sisters who have joined Omega in this biennium will be remembered at the Memorial Service led by Kathleen O'Malley, state chaplain, on Sunday morning. Susan Raffo is convention chair.

Karen Kirby of Gamma Mu will move from the office of president-elect to lead the state for the next two years. Karen has served as Excellence in Education chair, state recording secretary and state treasurer. Registration forms are available on the state web site, were mailed to chapter presidents, and attached to this newsletter. Registration deadline is **April 1**.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in taking care of the business of the state. Each chapter is allowed one voting delegate for every ten chapter members. ***SPEND EL CINCO DE MAYO WITH YOUR AΔK AMIGAS.***

## LEONARD FUNDS AVAILABLE TO CONVENTION ATTENDEES

The generosity of **Noel Leonard**, state president from 1992-1994, provides \$100 in financial aid for first-timers at the state convention in Santa Ana and a similar amount for council leaders attending the regional conference in Anchorage, Alaska this summer.

Each council receives one first-timer grant. Chapters nominate one member who has not attended a state convention and who shows promise of leadership in the organization. Her name is then submitted to the council where a random drawing is held to determine the recipient. The council presidents must notify the state president of their selections by **April 1, 2018**.

Regional conference grants are for officers or a designee of a council to further their leadership skills. There is one grant for each council with recipients chosen by the council. The deadline for submitting the names to the state president for this award is **June 1, 2018**.

## SALES AT STATE CONVENTION

Chapter altruistic sales may take place at the state convention. To reserve a place, chapters must submit the application available on the Home Page of the state website to Marlene Cordova, state treasurer, listing the items for sale and the name of the altruistic project that will benefit. The application must include a \$20 donation to the State Altruistic Project. Applications must be received no later than **April 1, 2018**. Space is limited.

## BRING YOUR BANNER

Remember to bring your chapter banner to the state convention for the Parade of Presidents.

## CALL FOR SERGEANTS-AT- ARMS

Many volunteers are needed to assist Mary Krause, CA Sergeant-at-Arms during the convention. Please let her know if you would like to serve. [adk.marykrause@gmail.com](mailto:adk.marykrause@gmail.com)



## Re-MEMBER-ings

*Sara Cooper, CA State Vice President for Membership*

### *Alpha Delta Kappa's Membership Campaign 2018*

*January 1 through April 30*

*Accept the challenge, join the campaign! Initiate or reinstate!*



*Let your enthusiasm for AAK attract others!*

Now is the time to reach out to educators around you. It's more than just about "winning," it's the chance to visit, to connect and to grow as a chapter. Fellow teachers bringing new ideas, new enthusiasm and helping to make new memories are waiting for you to ask them to join. Just ask. The *KAPPAN* will recognize chapters that initiate/reinstate four or more new members. PLUS, all chapters that initiate/reinstate one or more new members will be entered into a S/P/N drawing for a stipend toward the 2019 International Convention registration in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

1-3 new members = one entry into the \$50 drawing

4-6 new members two entries into the \$75 drawing

7+ new members = three entries in the \$100 drawing

The drawings will be held at International Headquarters in June 2018. Make the decision to try.

If you need suggestions, contact me at [adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com](mailto:adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com), or by text/phone at (909) 226-8294.

*A dream is just a wish until you act upon it, and then it becomes a goal!*

## DELTA CHAPTER INITIATES NEW MEMBER



CA President-Elect Karen Kirby visited Delta Chapter in Los Angeles to initiate new member, Ines Ramirez, invited by her daughter, Helena Ramirez Watson.



**CA Membership Award** held by Rosalinda Goss shown with Delta chapter members

*Who will be the 2018 recipient?* Find out at the CA State Convention.

## CALIFORNIA CARES ABOUT ALZHEIMER'S

California's team "California Cares" will again this year participate in "The Longest Day" in support of the Alzheimer's Association. The Association is one of Alpha Delta Kappa's two International altruistic projects. Participation can be individually or as a group or chapter under the umbrella "California Cares". Go to [www.alz.org/adk](http://www.alz.org/adk) to donate or join our CA team.

Click **Find a Participant**,

Type **California Cares**,

Choose **Donate** or **Join Our Team**.

If you choose Donate, your contribution will go to the California Cares team. If you choose Join Our Team, you can set up your own fundraising subgroup as an individual or group or chapter under the umbrella of CA Cares.

Activities may take place any time between now and June 21, 2018. Donations will be accepted until the

end of June 2018. Donations made online are preferred. However, checks may be made out to "Alzheimer's Association" and mailed to Diana Galvan.

What can you do? Play Bunco, dance, golf, perform, bowl, make crafts, play bridge, Mahjonn, garden, get together with friends, read, host a paint party, hold a garage sale, use your imagination. Just include donations as part of the plan. Invite your friends. Everyone has been affected by Alzheimer's.

Questions: Contact Team Captain, Diana Galvan.



## IS YOUR INFORMATION UP TO DATE?



Chapter Presidents, Treasurers and Membership Chairmen now have access to updating their chapter roster online on the International website: [www.alphadeltakappa.org](http://www.alphadeltakappa.org), according to Sue Pelchat, International President. An added enhancement now gives the state executive board access to the directory.

It is no longer necessary to use the H-119 Member Changes form to notify multiple state officers of directory changes.

It is important that the **information on file at International is kept up to date**. A suggestion is to include a demonstration of the Directory as an agenda item at your next meeting and to review the information at least once a year. Include a review of each member's directory listing. Directions for exporting your chapter directory are at the top of the window. Each member has access to updating her own directory information.

The benefits of updating your chapter roster online, instead of using the H-119, Report for Member Changes form (except for transfers), are:

- Reduced paperwork/forms in response to members' requests.
- To unburden the members/chapters with duplicating the notification of changes.
- The directory contains the most current information for your S/P/N that is on file at Headquarters.
- The roster can be used as is because it is current instead of needing to recreate your own.
- No longer needing to download and complete the form for each member then mailing/emailing/faxing it to multiple recipients.

## MARINA DISTRICT EXPANDS THEIR VISION

*Mary Krause, CA State Historian*



**Pam Apolinar**

EXPAND THE VISION was the theme for the 2018 Marina District Conference held January 20, 2018 in Cypress, CA. Sisters from the Inland Cities and Orange Coast

Councils were in attendance. Table decorations, created by Mari Page, were quite unique following a global theme. Carol Valcarcel welcomed over 70 sisters. Following minutes



**Carol Valcarcel**

approval, roll call, membership and treasurer's report, members enjoyed a buffet brunch and socializing with their fellow members. A fraternity education bingo game was presented by the California State Executive Board. Raffle tickets were awarded to winners and ladies had fun trying to remember a variety of Alpha Delta Kappa history. State president, Diana Galvan spoke about strength in numbers and encouraged all members to reach out and invite a friend to become a member of Alpha Delta Kappa and help your chapter reach 7-Pearl status. She also encouraged all members to attend the CA State Convention in Santa Ana May 4-6, 2018 where Marina district member Karen Kirby will be installed as the next state president. Mollie Acosta, International Vice-President of the SW Region invited attendees to the NW/SW Regional Joint Conference, July 9th-11th in Anchorage, Alaska. A standing



**Kelly Meade**

ovation was given to celebrate new Diamond sister, Tacy Hunter. Zeta chapter member, Kelly Meade spoke on her travels, surprises, and adventures in Antarctica. The theme of her talk was "Travels of a Modern Day Explorer". Gift cards and other items were raffled off and raised over \$500 for altruistic use. The group joined hands to sing *The Lamp of Alpha Delta Kappa* ending an enjoyable day.



**Tacy Hunter**

## PEARL VISION: WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT STATUS?

The Chapter Pearls of Achievement report for the period ending December 31, 2017 is now available on the International and CA websites. It has also been sent to all chapter presidents. To earn the required pearl for membership, a chapter needs to initiate or reinstate at least one member.

## WELCOME NEW CA SISTERS

December 2017 Chapter

Kathleen Nugal Zeta



## ATTENTION CHAPTER HISTORIANS

*Mary Krause, CA State Historian*

Your two pages for the state historian's book are due **March 15, 2018**. Go online to Snapfish.com. UserID is cal.adkhistorians.2018@gmail.com. Password is kore123. There is a place for your chapter's pictures for this biennium. ALSO

Write a brief summary of your chapter's biennium. This summary is due by June 1, 2018. Please list names and addresses of new officers. Send either by email to [adk.marykrause@gmail.com](mailto:adk.marykrause@gmail.com) or mail to Mary Krause, 1469 Oak Ridge Drive, Chico, CA, 95928. Thanks so much for keeping Alpha Delta Kappa's history alive and up to date.

## TREASURER TIDBITS

*Marlene Cordova, CA State Treasurer*

As your State Treasurer I would like to thank all chapter treasurers for completing last year's required C-1 Audit Report and filing your e-postcards. Thank you, also for submitting your Chapter Payment Record (Form-H-138) and dues. We have 100% completion.

If you plan to hold a raffle, please complete the required registration and report forms and submit them to the CA Department of Justice. Directions and forms on the CA website. If you need assistance, please e-mail or call me.

## "BREAK THE BARRIERS"

Contributions to the CA state altruistic project "Break the Barriers" may be sent to State Treasurer Marlene Cordova up to **April 15, 2018**. A check will be presented to the organization at state convention in May. Proceeds from sales of CA lanyards, shirts, and pins also support this project.

## CHAPLAIN CHATTER

*Kathleen O'Malley, CA State Chaplain*

**ATTENTION CHAPTER PRESIDENTS!** If any of your members have joined the Omega chapter this biennium, please let me know as soon as possible so that we may include them in the Omega ceremony at the State convention in May. The new procedure for reporting membership changes is explained in the article "Is Your Information Up to Date?".

There are also motivational thoughts to share at chapter meetings on the "[Chaplain's Chatter](#)" link on the CA website.

## ACTIONS FOR WORLD UNDERSTANDING

Grete Lima, CA World Understanding Chairman, asks each chapter to report chapter activities that promote world understanding. A reporting form was sent to all chapter presidents. The form, due **March 15**, is also available on the CA website. Grete will compile a state resource for activities and projects.

International World Understanding Chairman, Robin Miller, is seeking proposals for the next International World Understanding project. Email them to Robin at: [survivorrobin@yahoo.com](mailto:survivorrobin@yahoo.com) by **March 30, 2018**.

## PERALTA COUNCIL RAISES, AWARDS FUNDS

Chapters in the Peralta Council will present scholarship checks to six student teachers nominated by their credential programs at the annual Council Scholarship luncheon on May 24. The council will also recognize outstanding teachers of Alameda Council chosen by the chapters. Theme of the event is Wonder Women: Changing the World. Serena Johnson Rojas of Alpha is council president.

Alpha chapter will hold its twenty-third annual luncheon and fashion show on April 28 to raise funds for its altruistic projects and scholarships. At the event a scholarship will be given to a student teacher in recognition for her impact on students.

On April 12, Alpha Nu will hold an April in Paris themed luncheon in support of the teaching profession.

## NORTH TO ALASKA IN JULY

California and Alaska sisters will be the hostesses with the mostest at the Northwest/Southwest Regional Conference in Anchorage Alaska, July 9-11, 2018. Riveting speakers, hands on altruistic project and a Friendship Fair are only a sample of the events planned by Conference Chairs Mollie Acosta, IVP Southwest and Glad Loreen, IVP Northwest. Workshops designed for professional and personal growth will be given. The weekend in the Last Frontier will end with a Northern Lights Banquet.

Theme of the conference is Touching the Future: Leaders and Learners Making a Difference. Registration and hotel information is available on the regional web site.

Co-chairmen for the event are Mary Ann Englehart, past California president and Helen Foster of Alaska.

## KUSPUK COUNT NEEDED

Are you busily sewing **Kuspuks** for the NW/SW Conference? As co-hosts of the conference, we are expected to contribute **250** or more. **Please contact Kathleen O'Malley right away and let her know the number you anticipate making.** If you would like to make some and need the pattern she can help. Thanks to all the nimble fingers. [kthln.omalley@gmail.com](mailto:kthln.omalley@gmail.com)

## BUDGET CONCERNS SURVEY RESULTS

In an effort to receive input from our California members, the CA executive board sent a survey via email to 975 members with email addresses on file and also to each chapter president with the request that the survey opportunity be shared with all chapter members. The survey included three questions regarding possible solutions to balance the proposed budget for 2018-2020.

1. Raise dues by \$5.00 per member - 71% - yes, 29% - no
2. Combine the positions of corresponding and recording secretaries - 94% - yes; 6% - no
3. Do both options - 77% - yes, 23% - no

There were also many valuable comments received, each of which was reviewed by all board members. Over 900 surveys were sent out; 191 responses were received. That number of returns is considered to be statistically relevant by the State Board.

## EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTIONS

Lynne Keating, CA State Recording Secretary

At the California Executive Board Meeting held January 20, 2018 in Cypress, the following actions were approved:

- Adopted new or revised Policies and Procedures from Section G, State Convention: Partial Registration, Registration Refunds, Noel Leonard Leadership Grant, Reimbursement Executive Board, Reimbursement Executive Board Additional Officers, Proposed Budget and Budget Descriptions, Proceedings/Reports, Procedures Manual, Balloting Committee, Executive Board and Standing Committee Chairmen Final Reports, Membership Awards, Perpetual State Membership Award, International Excellence in Education, Eleanor Bendell State Scholarship Presentation, and Betty Rosenberg Golden Chapter Award, with an action date of January 19, 2018.
- Approved that California members affected by natural disasters, such as the mudslide, be allowed additional time to pay their dues with no penalty, as determined by the state treasurer.
- Approved that the positions of state corresponding secretary and state recording secretary be combined, and that state annual dues be increased by \$5.00.
- Approved the 2018-2020 Proposed Budget and the 2018-2020 Budget Item Descriptions.

### *Good Life Rules*

- *Life isn't fair, but it's still good.*
- *When in doubt, just take the next small step.*
- *Don't wait for old age to wear purple.*
- *No one is in charge of your happiness but you.*
- *Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.*
- *When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile. Enjoy it!*

*--From anonymous wise people*

## MS POPPY

Dear Ms. Poppy,

I really had my feelings hurt the other day, when I overheard a member say that I talked too much at a meeting. Isn't the purpose of a meeting to hear opinions?

*Not Calvin Coolidge*

Dear Not Cal,

Ms. Poppy too enjoys the dulcet sounds of her own voice particularly when she is sharing her vast store of knowledge with her sisters. Sadly, there are those who tend to roll their eyes and sigh heavily when she clears her throat to share.

A meeting should address the business of the chapter by hearing the opinions of all the members present and taking them into consideration when taking action. The important word here is All. It is the responsibility of the presiding officer to make certain that everyone who wants to express an opinion has a chance to speak. It may be necessary to ask someone how they stand on an issue. Once everyone has had the chance to weigh in, then it can be round two of thought. The presiding officer can also say at the beginning that a discussion will go on until everyone has had two chances or five chances to express themselves. It is easy to get stuck with a decision made to just stop the endless talking of a few members.

A suggestion for handling the school news, announcements and asides that somehow work their way into a business meeting stretching it out, is to have a Check in or Sharing time following adjournment. When a member wanders off during the business meeting, they can be reminded that there is time later. This also makes it possible to run to the bathroom and avoid hearing about Sally Lou's bursitis one more time.

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## CALENDAR

- ◇ **MARCH 1** Eleanor Bendell State Scholarship Applications Due
- ◇ **MARCH 10** Southern District Conference
- ◇ **MARCH 15** Altruistic Reports due
- ◇ **MARCH 15** World Understanding Chapter Activities due
- ◇ **MARCH 30** World Understanding Proposals due
- ◇ **APRIL 1** State Convention Registration deadline
- ◇ **APRIL 15** Final contributions to "Break the Barriers"
- ◇ **APRIL 30** International Membership Campaign ends
- ◇ **MAY 1** H-107 Report of Chapter Officers due
- ◇ **MAY 4-6** CA State Convention, Santa Ana
- ◇ **JUNE 30** Donations end to "The Longest Day"
- ◇ **JULY 9-11** NW/SW Regional Conference, Alaska

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For details about the above items, consult:

CA website: [www.adkcalif.org](http://www.adkcalif.org)

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

Southwest Region website:

<https://www.alphadeltakappa.org/ADK/Library/Southwest/Home.aspx>

**California Alpha Delta Kappa 32<sup>nd</sup> State Convention Registration Form**  
 May 4-6, 2018 DoubleTree by Hilton, Santa Ana-Orange County Airport Hotel

Please print information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Council: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Special Designation** (Check if applicable)

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  Silver Sister (25+ yrs)

(Confirmation will be sent via e-mail)  Sapphire Sister (35+ yrs)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  Golden Sister (50+ yrs)

Member for:  5+ yrs  10+ yrs  15+ yrs  20+ yrs  Diamond Sister (60+ yrs)

First Timer to State Convention

Noel Leonard Grant Recipient

Chapter President

**Registration Fee (AΔK member):**

(Includes Friday Reception, Saturday Luncheon and Dinner Banquet) \$ 150 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership Buffet Breakfast Meeting** (optional) Saturday am \$ 18 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Meal Selection** (See descriptions on separate page)

**Banquet entrée:**  Beef Loin Steak  Chicken Piccata  Salmon  Portabello Stack

(Choose one)

Special dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Tickets**

Luncheon (Cobb Salad) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 25 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet # \_\_\_\_\_ Steak # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken # \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon # \_\_\_\_\_ Veg @ \$ 48 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Proceedings will be published on the CA Website.

Individual hard copies may be ordered to be mailed after the convention @ \$10.00/copy \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

The following positions are eligible to vote. Please mark only one category to determine your voting group:

Chapter Delegate (Each chapter has 1 delegate per 10 members)

Chapter Alternate (Votes only in absence of the delegate)

CA Executive Board Member

Past CA State President

State Committee Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ (specify which committee)

Presidents' Council Representative (either President or Secretary of Council)

State Convention Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ (specify which chairman)

**Yes! I'll volunteer as an Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms/Page**

Emergency Contact Information: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Mail Check and Registration Form to: Linda Warfield, Convention Registration Chair**  
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[celticlinda@comcast.net](mailto:celticlinda@comcast.net)

**Registration Deadline: April 1, 2018** **\*\*Make Checks payable to: "AΔK State Convention 2018"**  
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For Office Use Only: Registration # \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_