

California Alpha Delta Kappa

November/December, 2015

6th Edition

Hello, Sisters with Heart!

Fall is my favorite time of the year! The weather is suddenly cooler. The many-colored leaves are falling. The holidays are right around the corner. It's time to clean the house and put up decorations. Then, of course, we have to go shopping for those perfect presents!

It's a busy time for Alpha Delta Kappa as well. One important deadline is coming up. On November 30th, applications for positions on the State Executive Board are due. At the Northern District Conference, President-Elect Diana Galvan asked each of us on the Board why we stepped up to State office. I replied that I am so glad I took that first step. I am a stronger person, because I have so many sisters to support me. I am a better friend, because I've met so many wonderful new friends. I am a kinder, more generous person, because I've seen first hand all the amazing altruistic things the California Sisters with heart do. I strongly encourage you to take a leadership role; be all you can be and more in the awesome world of Alpha Delta Kappa.

Fraternally,

Mary Ann



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WE'RE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD WOMEN!!

**BE ALL THAT YOU
CAN BE!!**

**MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!!**

**STEP UP TO
LEADERSHIP!!**

**ASK NOT WHAT
CALIFORNIA
ALPHA DELTA
KAPPA CAN DO FOR
YOU! ASK WHAT
YOU CAN DO FOR
ALPHA DELTA
KAPPA!!**

Yes, it's time to seriously consider running for an office on the State Executive Board! Do you like to travel? Are you interested in meeting sisters across the state? Serving on the State Board is one of the most rewarding experiences you will ever have.

Descriptions of the positions on the Board and the application form can be found below and the website.

California Alpha Delta Kappa State Officer Candidate Qualification Information and Application Form

Qualifications: California Alpha Delta Kappa Bylaws, Article VII and Bylaws of the Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority, Incorporated, Article VII, Section 2.a state:

A candidate shall:

- Be an active chapter member
- Be registered and attending the convention at which she is nominated, elected, and installed: an exception to this ruling shall be effected by two-thirds vote of the delegate assembly
- Have held an elected chapter office

A candidate for state president or president-elect shall:

- Have served one term as Chapter President
- Have served at least one term on the respective executive board as an elected officer or as president of the chapter presidents' council
- Not hold a chapter office

Procedure:

- Applicant to complete application form and acquire chapter president's signature for endorsement.
- Submit original application form, a 2"x3" photograph, and two additional copies of the application form postmarked no later than November 30, 2015 to:

Susan Blough, Zeta
5231 Clark Circle
Westminster, CA 92683
714-893-7728
sblough@socal.rr.com

Name of Applicant_____

Street Address_____City/Zip_____

E-Mail_____

Candidate for State Office of _____Date Initiated_____

Chapter Offices held_____

State Committees_____

State Offices Held_____

International Committee(s)_____

State Convention(s) attended_____

Regional Conference(s) attended_____

International Convention(s) attended_____

Educational Background_____

Chapter_____City_____

Chapter President' s

Signature_____

**CALIFORNIA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA
INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICE**

California State Officers for election include:

- *President-elect
- *Vice President
- *Recording Secretary
- *Corresponding Secretary
- *Treasurer
- *Historian/Sergeant-at-Arms
- *Chaplain

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS-IN BRIEF

- Attend four district conferences yearly and present fraternity education
- Serve as liaison to council(s) as assigned by the state president
- Attend State Convention, and if feasible, the Joint Northwest/Southwest Region Conference and International Convention

PROCEDURE

- Complete application form and acquire chapter president's signature or endorsement.
- Submit original application form plus two additional copies, and a photograph - 2"x3"
- Postmark the application form no later than November 30 to Chairman of the Candidate Qualification Committee

PRESIDENT-ELECT

- Observe and train to be State President
- Serve as Chairman of the State Presidents' Council
- Assist hosting councils in planning and conducting district conferences
- Revise and up-date the Presidents' Council Handbook

VICE PRESIDENT

- Serve as State Membership Chairman

RECORDING SECRETARY

- Record State Executive Board Minutes
- Record State Convention activities

TREASURER

- Administers the operating accounts of the state using Quicken computer software.
- Collects dues, fees and assessments.
- Disburses funds as directed by the president or by the executive board.
- Makes regular reports to the membership.
- Monitors completion of chapter financial reports and filing of e-postcards
- Is familiar with the membership status of all members.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

- Facilitate correspondence as directed by the State President and Executive Board
- Arrange for printing and mailing of the State President's Newsletter

HISTORIAN/SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

- Complete a pictorial and written history of the biennium of California AΔK
- Be responsible for Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Pages, and Balloting at Convention

CHAPLAIN

- Prepare opening and closing thoughts at District Conferences and Board Meetings
- Orchestrate the Omega Service at State Convention



Speaking of Gotta Do's

It's time to make sure your chapter qualifies for the **Betty Rosenberg Award**. Applications are due February 1st! The checklist and application form are being sent to chapter presidents and is on the State website.



Historians! Are you putting your pictures together for your chapters pages for the State Historian's book? Remember, each chapter and Council gets two pages - one for each year of the biennium. It will be due before you know it

The Noel Leonard Grant for first timers to the State Convention



Encourage your first timers to register for the State Convention! Each Council gets a \$100 grant for every four chapters to be awarded to a first timer.

Need help with a special project or your continuing education?

The Eleanor Bendell California State



Scholarship will award one California sister \$2500! Applications and details are on the website. The due date is March 1st!

Middletown School Project

At the Alpha Delta Kappa Northern District Conference last month, Past State President and International Vice President Mayme Chinn asked that we pass the hat to raise money for the teachers and students suffering from the devastation of the Valley Fire in Middletown, California. That was the beginning of a campaign to help this community. Recently, Beta Chapter in the Bay area presented Mayme with a check for \$1,000.00 for Middletown. I CHALLENGE VALLEY, MARINA AND SOUTHERN DISTRICT TO EACH MATCH THAT \$1000.00!! Pass the hat at your chapter meetings from now through December 31, 2016. Consider allocating a part of your chapter's altruistic budget for this year to the Middletown Project. Hold a fundraising activity and give the money to the Middletown Project. Chapters should make checks out to Mayme Chinn as funds are collected. (Please put Middletown in the memo line of the check.) Mayme has graciously offered to bank our donations and then give the money to State Treasurer, Karen Kirby, who will write a check from California Alpha Delta Kappa. We are planning to deliver the check in person to the Middletown teachers. **TEACHERS HELPING TEACHERS!**

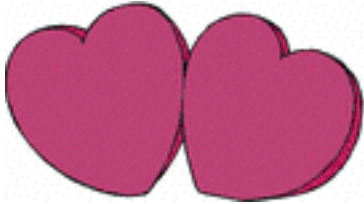
Mail checks to:

Mayme Chinn
50 Cascade Walk
San Francisco, CA 94116

THANK YOU!!



Carole Taylor and Barbara Cerri present Mayme Chinn a \$1000 check from Beta chapter for teachers who lost all classroom materials in recent fire.



MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!!

The 2016 California State Convention will be in the HEART of California at the Wyndham Visalia on April 29th through May 1st, 2016. Call 559 651-5000 for room reservations. The registration fee is just \$110.00! It's time to think about who your chapter's delegates will be. Remember first timers to the Convention are eligible for Noel Leonard Leadership Grants!

Do you have your AΔK shirt to wear at the State Convention yet?



Details and ordering information are on the State website. We will deliver your shirt to you at your District Conference or have it reserved for you at the convention.!

Excellence In Education Award

We are looking for an extraordinary woman educator who has made exemplary contributions to education and exhibits exceptional professional dedication, knowledge, and skills. She must show evidence of professional achievement and success, school/community collaboration, and contributions to the educational process.

I know we have many women members who have these qualities. If you would like to nominate someone, please mail the

nomination form to International Headquarters by December 1, 2015. Nomination forms will be sent to chapter presidents or may be found on the International website.

The recipient of the state award will be recognized and honored at the State Convention in April 2016.

Barbara Murray, Alpha Iota
Excellence in Education Comm. Chairman
6631 E. Maplegrove, Oak Park, CA
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Treasurer's Pages



Proposed 2016-2018 Budget

A budget committee was formed to review California Alpha Delta Kappa's proposed budget for the 2016 – 2018 biennium. The committee was comprised of Karen Kirby, current California State

Treasurer, Diana Galvan, immediate past California State Treasurer, and four members-at-large: Pam Mallory, Beta Pi, Northern District; Hilary White, Gamma Tau, Marina District; Karen Evans, Lambda, Valley District; Ann Rendon, Iota, Southern District. Following the committee's review, the proposed budget was presented to the California State Executive Board for further review. The 2016 - 2018 California State Budget will be presented to the general membership in the Convention packet sent out in January to chapter presidents. The budget will be ratified at the State Convention in May, 2016.

While your State Executive Board strives to be fiscally responsible, expenses and operating costs have been rising over the past few years. This may necessitate a transfer from the reserve account. Our services to the membership continue to grow while total revenue is down. THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO INCREASE OUR REVENUE. WE CAN RAISE OUR STATE DUES OR WE CAN RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS!. California State dues, at \$20.00 per member, have

not been raised in many bienniums. If our membership continues to decline, a nominal dues increase may be necessary in the future, .

A note to all Chapter Treasurers:

It is **dues collection time** again. Your chapter president should have received the H-138 form that lists all your members and the amount of dues owed. Check with your president first, then contact International Headquarters if your chapter did not receive the form. The deadline is January 1, 2016. Any dues submitted after that date will be considered late and will incur a \$5.00 late fee from both the State and International. Send one check and a copy of the form to me,

Karen Kirby:
21921 Calatrava,
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

Send a separate check and a copy of the form to International. Remember to make a copy for your files. Do not wait for late dues. Send late dues as you receive them.

You may note any member changes on the form. However, your membership chair must file an H-119, Membership Changes form, with International for each member change. That is how member changes are officially made. You can find the form on the International website.

AND

I am thrilled to announce that ALL California chapters have filed their e-postcards, and ALL chapters have submitted their C-1 reports. Thanks to each and every one of you. Together, we got it done. I sent every treasurer an electronic form titled Chapter Financial



Spreadsheet . Please print out the form and fill it out on a monthly basis. If you do this, I promise completing the next C-1 report in 2016 will be an easy task. Outgoing treasurers will again complete the report and file the e-postcards before turning the position over to the incoming treasurers because outgoing treasurers understand the financial history of the chapter. If you did not receive the form, contact me at:

adk.karen.kirby@gmail.com.

Altruism in Action

In honor of Founders' Month and in the name of Alpha Delta Kappa, **Karen Kirby, Zeta**, (and State Treasurer) donated her children's literature library to a new school in Wilmington, CA Virginia Urbina, a Zeta sister, is a kindergarten teacher there. At an Orange Coast Council meeting, she told Karen about their great need for library books. The school is in a high poverty area near the Long Beach Harbor. They loaded up aren's car with 11 banker boxes filled with books, about 500 books. The principal was rather overwhelmed with the amount! Those books were just gathering dust in Karen's garage. Now they will be in the hands of children. And Karen says, "My husband is thrilled to get a corner of the garage back!"



Beta Upsilon collects children and young adult books (new and slightly used in excellent condition) to donate to women's shelters, the Salvation Army, and food banks. Each year they stamp over 200 books, stating they are from ADK, and donates them at Christmas time. Beta Upsilon also collect toiletries at each meeting and distribute them to those in need. This year they donated 250 toiletries to battered woman's shelters and the Stand Down Homeless Veterans project.

Psi chapter's Lindsay Burningham participated in a 3-Day Walk for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Her chapter supported her with a \$200.00 donation.

Thank you, Sisters with Heart!!

More Chapter News....

Beta Kappa celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a gala celebration. Judy



Pino painted wine glasses for all with violets ADK and 50th for each attendee!

The celebration was a big success with past sisters attending and important members of the community.

Zeta members attended the Precious Lamb 9th Annual Banquet at the Hotel Maya in Long Beach. Precious Lamb is a faith based preschool for homeless children and one of the altruistic causes supports. They high ratio of teachers to students and do an impressive job of supporting the needs of children and their families far beyond academics.



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students

ADK - Zeta members Roberta Patterson and Kathy Charvet teach art at Millikan High School and have involved several other Millikan art teachers in an Art Gala each spring for Precious Lamb. Art students spend several months preparing portraits of the preschool students in several different mediums including handmade pillow portraits. Those portraits are then auctioned at the Art Gala. All together the evening raised over \$18,000 for Precious Lamb.

Millikan art students also make quilts for naptime at school. It's rewarding to have such direct ties to the preschool beyond writing a check or visiting the classroom.

Beta Kappa's grant winners presented their reports on how they have used their ADK grant money:

Selena Chavez at NJHS used her \$300 grant award to purchase mosaic tiles and supplies for her visual arts students to create mosaic murals after school which will be put in the office and lunchroom and are portable so can be moved around the campus. Her 25 students planned and drew out their mosaic creation.

Mark Drumm from the NJHS Rocketry Club used his grant money to buy motors for the rockets his teams would use in each rocket they built hoping to go to the national competition Team America Rocket Rechallenge. The four teams designed their rockets on a CAD system computer and many students from the school watch the lunchtime launches. His class has both boys and girls and lots of parent involvement.

Jacob Goldsmith from NMHS used his grant money to purchase a Chromebook to use for his calculus class and computer science club. His students produced Youtube videos to show how to solve calculus problems and were able to check out the Chromebook to take home also.

Alisa Jensen from Whiteford Preschool used her grant money to purchase materials for her sensory bin. All items can be washed and are used with autistic students who are terrified of touching

things to develop their tactile comfort and awareness. She has 6-15 students a one aide and was so thankful for this addition to her classroom which may seem simple but is an amazing tool to help her students.

We are all so inspired and amazed to see what these incredible teachers are doing in their classrooms!

Gamma Nu sent in this article:

Our ongoing support of The Friendly Center with providing school supplies, birthday bags, Thanksgiving Meal for a Family and Adopting a Family for Christmas has truly made a difference in our communities.

On December 7, several Sisters will again go to work at Samaritan's Purse to help provide Christmas gifts for needy children. We also support St. Jude's Medical Center with monthly donations.

However, we had an opportunity to become educated while donating to Guide Dogs for the Blind. Neighbors of Harriet Kelly were our guest speakers and provided a magnificent program. Lance and Mindy Wulff, Mindy's Guide Dog for the Blind Braxton, and their Therapy Dog, Sammy shared truly valuable information and were our guests for lunch afterwards.

Lance takes their Therapy Dog, Sammy to locations where he can be loved and show love by being petted and talked to. Some examples include Skilled Nursing Facilities and Convalescent Homes.

Mindy suddenly lost her vision when she was 42 years old. After a few serious accidents while trying to manage with just a cane, Mindy agreed to have a Guide Dog for the Blind. The puppies that qualify for this program go through a great deal of training with an Foster Family. They then go through intensive training with the person who is lucky enough to get them.

Mindy continues to teach at a Middle School as a Special Education Teacher working with children that have Aspergers. Braxton sits under her desk while she is teaching and Mindy uses Adaptive Technology to work with her students. Her students know the rules about not petting Braxton while he is working; but the school staff has to be reminded.

Mindy and Lance with their dogs, Braxton and Sammy were a wonderful inspiration. It made us all feel thankful and blessed for what we have. It also helped us truly understand what we can do to be respectful while being helpful of individuals with visual impairments.

For further information:

guidedogs.com

800 295-4050

350 Los Ranchitos Road
San Rafael, CA 94903

32901 SE Kelso Road
Boring, OR 97009



Awesome!!

Northern District Meeting

October 3, 2015

Those Northern Girls Can Really Throw a District Conference!

With utmost class always shown by the Northern District, the Basque Center in South San Francisco was filled with Sisters with Heart and purple!

The tables were adorned with home-made heart decorated trees, and the podium and stage were filled with both matching hearts and posters of our AΔK leaders from years past!



Between the continental breakfast and the meeting, the barbershop quartet, “Cat’s Meow” sang lively songs while many sisters sang along. The four-part harmony rang throughout the room.

Dolly Keefe, the Peninsula/South Bay President presided with eloquence and clarity as the meeting was held. She introduced each sister and showed reverence for each speaker. After the business was complete, Diana Galvan, State President-Elect, had each officer share what led her into leadership.



Look at all these LOVELY smiles!!



State Board News!!

Prior to the Executive Board meeting in northern California, Past State President Susan Raffo took the State Board to meet with Golden Gate Council members for a delicious feast at a wonderful Chinese restaurant. It was so incredible, we just had to get our picture taken with the owner!



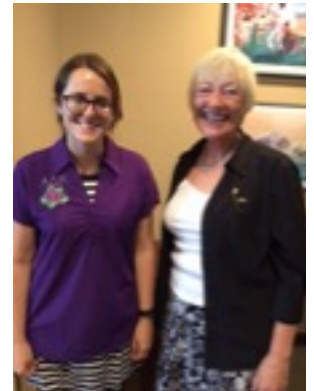
At our Board meeting, we discussed the possibility of getting a blanket license for opportunity drawings in the state. Unfortunately, we can't! Licenses are event specific and are required for every fund raising activity where money changes hands for an opportunity to win something. The good news is that a license only costs \$20 and it's easy to get. Just go to the California Attorney General's website.

The Board voted to set the registration fee for the California State Convention at \$110.00.

The Board continues to work on

updating Committee Chairmen and Committee job descriptions. We are also updating the State Policies and Procedures.

The Executive Board was proud to present Elisa with an official California AΔK shirts at the Northern District Conference. Elisa is a wonderful young lady and I hope you all get a chance to meet her! Sara Armstrong, one of her sponsors, says she is hard at work at her studies at Berkely. Don't forget to send greetings to her and include gift cards to Trader Joe's, Safeway or Target. Send them to Joanne Grimm, 889 Rosemount Rd, Oakland, CA 94610.



Membership Report:

Newly Initiated Members	6
Pending	10
New Chapters	0
Disbanded Chapters	1
Number of Chapters	52
Total Number of CA Members	1,280
Total Membership of AΔK Sisters Internationally	33,452
Miscellaneous: Life, 33; Limited, 36; Honorary, 11	

DATES TO REMEMBER!!

1. November 30th: Applications for State Executive Board office due.
2. December 1st: Excellence in Education nomination forms are due to International.
3. January 9th, 2016: Marina District Conference
4. February 15th, 2016: Betty Rosenberg Chapter Award application due!!
4. March 1st, 2016: Eleanor Bendell State Scholarship applications due!
5. March 15th, 2016: Historian pages due. on Snapfish .
6. April 29 - May 1st: California State Convention!!!
7. June 1st, 2016: Chapter Historians are to submit a summary of their chapters' biennium no later than June 1st.



*Thank you for all you do for
Alpha Delta Kappa!!*