

Alpha Delta Kappa

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Wow! What a year! As of June 16th, all of California schools were released from the 2020-2021 academic year. Oddly enough, many educators headed right back to work. Districts offered incentives to pull in summer school teachers and administrators because there is a shortage. Many are not willing to give up well-earned rest before the 2021-2022 year begins. Summer break began as early as the first week in May, and San Diego stayed in session until mid-June. All of our working educators are heroes and who knows what next year will bring. Let's hope for grateful students and parents!

California is proud because 86 women plan to attend the 32nd International Convention: 65 will represent our chapters as delegates. Voting began back in May and the next step is to attend the two weeks of activities.

July 6-9 are the Educational Symposium sessions and outstanding speakers. July 12-16 will hold the three all-important sessions where Alpha Delta Kappa carries forth the business of the organization. There are more keynote speakers, a Southwest Regional Celebration, and even *Dueling Pianos* will play requested songs. On Friday July 16, a Memorial service will be held for those members who joined Omega after their lives ended on Earth.

Ask your chapter delegates if they are hosting "Watch Parties," then plan to attend the convention face-to-face with one another! Most of the sessions begin at 9:00 AM (PDT) and the latest begins at 4:00 PM (PDT).

Don't miss seeing our own Californian, Mollie Acosta, be installed as our International President! It on Friday, July 16 beginning at 4:00 PM (PDT)!

Make plans to attend the sessions, business meetings and festivities,

Sara Cooper 2020-2022 President



"California Cares" Alzheimers Association The Longest Day!



Goal = \$10,000.00 So far = \$18,462.00 (Woot! Woot!)

Although the longest day of the year was June 20, 2021, Donations can still be made through the end of June.



World Understanding Project ALL MEMBERS MAY VOTE Ends on June 30.



C.H.E.A.R. – Making a Children's Home with Education and Agriculture a <u>Reality in Tanzania</u> - To empower disadvantaged children and youth through education. It would complete a 44 bed children's home, build a school with technology, and establish gardens, fruit trees, and livestock to promote life-skills and selr-sustainability.

R.I.S.E – <u>Reaching and Inspiring Students in Ethiopia</u> – Funds will build a new 2-3 grade school building. This four-classroom building could enable to double the number of young pupils on its campus already. Currently there are for classroom for grades K-1, a large playground structure, learning and see propagation garden, two clean composting latrines, and a small block-making factory.

Sewing Seeds of Hope – It will provide destitute teens and women with critical skills, emotional, economic and social support, and self-confidence needed to transform their lives. They will learn sewing, knitting, embroidery, tailoring, mat-weaving, and basket-weaving skills and develop a sustainable market for their products.

Voting for the next World Understanding Project is open to all Alpha Delta Kappa members. Instructions are still on the International website.

Voting ends on June 30

The announcement will be made during the convention. The targeted goal for the selected project is \$50,000.

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Our California State Altruistic Project

New Day for Children is a nationally recognized charity that provides supports and assistance to American girls, ages 10-18, who have been recovered from the despair of sex trafficking. For the first year of the biennium, California has proudly donated approximately \$4,500.00.



HOPE AND HEALING For America's Sex Trafficked Girls

The Alpha Delta Kappa International Altruistic Projects For 2021-2023

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital – St. Jude Treats the toughest childhood cancers and pediatric diseases. Families never receive a bill for travel, treatment, housing or food.





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Formed in 1980, the Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in care, support, and research. It is their vision to have a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia. Purple, their signature color, combines the calm stability of blue and the passionate energy of red. **California Proud of Alpha Delta Kappa's Future** The Strategic Plan is the roadmap used to take the organization into the future. Like many roads, it needs to be modified and updated.

Alpha Delta Kappa 2021-2026 Strategic Plan

To Be Updated as Needed

Education unites Alpha Delta Kappa members. The strategic plan is a living document that will drive the work to move our organization forward. The plan is based on our vision, mission and purposes. With energy and commitment, we can take actions – strategically and collectively – to achieve our desired outcomes. Together we can create the future for Alpha Delta Kappa!

Vision

A world that values diversity, all people, and quality education.

Mission

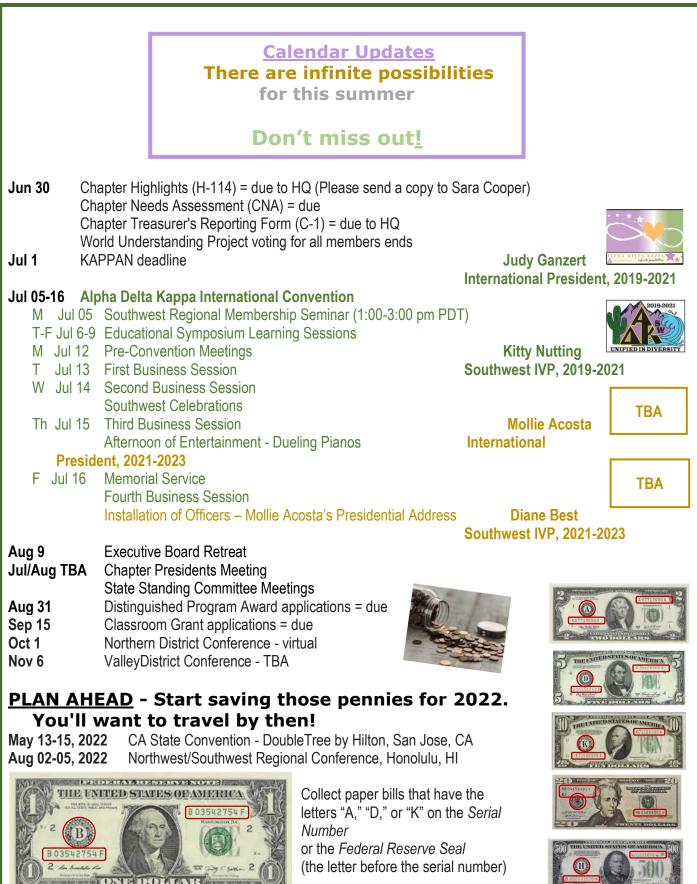
Empower women educators to advance inclusion, educational excellence, altruism and world understanding.

Purposes

- To honor outstanding women educators.
- To strengthen the education profession through commitment to diversity and inclusion practices that respect and value each person for their unique qualities.
- To nurture relationships and networking opportunities.
- · To enrich personal and professional development.
- To support altruistic projects, grants and scholarships with time and resources.
- · To embrace cultural differences and make an impact through world understanding.

Goals

- Goal 1: Refine Governance and Communication
- Goal 2: Enhance Educational, Professional and Leadership Development
- Goal 3: Promote Benefits of $A\Delta K$ and Increase Membership
- Goal 4: Promote Altruism, Scholarships and World Understanding Initiatives



Idea from Betty Jo Evers

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