



# Alpha Delta Kappa

## California Connects

### Honor, Nurture, Support, Flourish

VOLUME 2

August 2021

ISSUE 1



Dear Sisters,



Mollie Acosta, our new International President's, slogan or motto says, "Share the Love," and Diane Best, our new Southwest International Vice President's banner says, "Review Our Vision." After the difficult times during the past 17 months, how can these statements meld into our current "California Proud – honor, nurture, support and flourish" motto? The meeting platforms: Zoom, in-person, or hybrids with a bit of both, were met with challenges, but our chapters continued to include all of our sisters and benefit the community.

As we this year, think "each one reach one," grab a friend and simply show up for meetings! Communicating with one another, making differences for the people we care about, and meeting new people might encourage you to be more active. Just show up! Be a supportive member on the sidelines? Or consider running for a Chapter or State Office? Could you fill out a grant or scholarship for a friend? Maybe behind the scene committee work is more your style. Whatever you can envision for yourself, keep in mind how you can share the love and make California proud.

Being rejuvenated and motivated by both the International Convention and the State Executive Board's Leadership Retreat, I have decided to communicate more with sisters who are interested. I loved attending the various sister chats this past year and I plan to continue.

**"California Sister Chats with Sara Cooper"** will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 4:30 pm. These online zooms are to share the AΔK love and renew our visions, hopes, and dreams for the future. These chats are for any sister who wants to say hello, ask a question, get some help, or merely see a friendly face. The first chat will be on **Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 4:30 pm**. It will last one hour, include future topics, guest speakers, programs and formats. Plan to attend the fun of sharing with sisters. The zoom links will remain the same for each month. Just copy and paste.

Topic: California Sister Chats With Sara Cooper (the 4th Thursday of Each Month)

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81206389749?pwd=TzNBWHdGb2J6OWRXODRzT0h5RXo2Zz09>

Meeting ID: **812 0638 9749**

Passcode: **SisterChat**

I hope you will share the love and keep California Proud,  
Sara Cooper

2020-2022 President

## WAYS TO HONOR, NURTURE, AND SUPPORT AAK SO WE FLOURISH!



The International website has many resources for chapter meetings dealing with membership, retaining members through internal websites, programs, and even ceremonies to utilize. Visit the new MEMBERSHIP page, which makes available membership documents and forms, such as grants and scholarships, all in one place.

The Membership Development Manual (MDM) has all the tools one could ever need. It has encouraging ideas on recruitment, retention, reinstatement of members, and how to revitalize chapters both in isolation and face-to-face. It is found on the website (<https://www.alphadeltakappa.org>) under LIBRARY>Guiding and General Documents and Forms> Guiding



Alpha Delta Kappa ceremonies are filled with special meaning and significance from the rich traditions and symbolisms borrowed from the Greek system. The ceremonies are packed with fraternity education as they celebrate our commitment to and successes in Alpha Delta Kappa.



Alpha Delta Kappa Connect Communities are relatively new to the International website. Suppose members want to explore social media to discover communities to enrich their experiences and learning opportunities, connect and find others to seek advice and share common challenges, or engage in discussions with peers and leaders to expand their knowledge. In that case, this is the location for them.

(<https://connect.alphadeltakappa.org>)

AAK CONNECT is a program designed to provide Alpha Delta Kappa members with an opportunity to Connect with other members to share personal and professional experience and expertise with other members. The vision is that members will offer perspectives, including challenges, successes, and insights gained through their lives to support one another.



**EXTRA! EXTRA!**  
**READ ALL ABOUT IT**  
**AWARDS,**  
**GRANTS AND**  
**SCHOLARSHIPS!**

**These support  
both members and  
non-members with  
money to flourish!**

Here are the various awards, grants, and scholarships available through January of 2022! Please fill out the forms, or ask a friend to help you do it! Don't miss out!

Go to the International Website (<https://www.alphadeltakappa.org>) for fuller details.

All awards, grants, and scholarships must be filled out online by the deadline.

Don't miss out!



**Online Due Date – Award, Grant, or Scholarship Title - Amount and Membership Status**

**Aug 31, 2021 Distinguished Program Award - Recognition**

The Distinguished Program Award is designed to recognize chapters with outstanding programs that promote the involvement and attendance of members, plus attract the attention of prospective members through creativity and uniqueness.

**Sep 15, 2021 Classroom Grant – Up to \$400.00**

The Classroom Grant is designed to assist creative, innovative educators with the cost of materials and services that enhance classroom lessons. The scope of this grant does not include coursework or professional development opportunities. This grant was developed for teachers who display characteristics of excellent educators. This grant will be awarded annually to a maximum of five recipients from each of the seven Alpha Delta Kappa regions. Available to current Alpha Delta Kappa members.

**Oct 15, 2021 Regional Mini-Scholarship (for activities btwn Nov 15-May 15) – Up to \$500.00**

Alpha Delta Kappa International annually allocates each region \$3,000 to distribute to current members, whether actively engaged in teaching or not, who apply to attend non-AAK-sponsored conferences, conventions, seminars, workshops, and non-credit classes. Graduate and doctoral studies are beyond the scope of this program. The maximum scholarship is \$500.

**Oct 30, 2021 CA ADK District Mini-Scholarship – Up to \$500.00 for an active member.**

To promote California sisters' continuing professional or personal development while benefiting other members and the community-at-large. Scholarships are available to any California member in good standing, whether actively engaged in teaching or not. A member may receive only one District Mini-Scholarship once every two years.

**Nov 1, 2021 Excellence in Education – The Regional winner = \$500.00 for an active member.**

**The International AAK Foundation winner = \$5,000.00**

The "E.I.E" is Alpha Delta Kappa's educator of the biennium award. As an organization that promotes excellence in education, it is an essential program designed to recognize members for outstanding contributions in education, promote the goals and purposes of Alpha Delta Kappa, increase the organization's visibility, and offer an additional benefit for being a member. The nominee must be an Alpha Delta Kappa member, be actively engaged in the education profession, and be under contract in teaching, administration, or some specialized field of education. She may be nominated by an Alpha Delta Kappa member or self-nominated.

**Nov 15, 2021 Innovation Grant – Up to \$200.00 for a non-member.**

The Innovation Grant is designed to assist creative, innovative educators who are not members of Alpha Delta Kappa with the cost of materials and services that enhance classroom lessons. The scope of this grant does not include coursework or professional development opportunities. This grant was developed for teachers who display characteristics of excellent educators with teaching experience of 10 years or fewer. The grant will be awarded annually to a maximum of five recipients from each of the seven Alpha Delta Kappa regions.



# Honor, Support, Nurture, then Flourish

## CA Proud of All Alpha Delta Kappa Altruistic Endeavors

### The 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. Your generosity will help these devastated young women.



### Altruism at the International Level

#### The International World Understanding Project

##### C.H.E.A.R. – Making a Children's Home with Education and Agriculture a Reality in Tanzania

To empower disadvantaged children and youth through technology, and establish gardens, fruit trees, and livestock to promote life-skills and self-sustainability.



#### 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.

**The Alzheimer's Association** - 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 is their signature color.





TOP 10 PARTICIPANTS	
Participant Name	Amount
Florence "PIPPY"...	\$11,935
Mary Futchko	\$5,346
Jill Stemple	\$5,181
Michelle Gray	\$5,003
CA Gamma Mu Po...	\$4,605
Joanne Tindall	\$4,155
SC Alpha Psi Chap...	\$4,150
Linda Rissel	\$3,917
Dorothy Zielinski	\$3,853
CA Beta Eta Waffle	\$3,492

### FUNDRAISING FOR THE LONGEST DAY RANKS #3 IN THE NATION

By Karen Kirby, California Cares Team Captain

The "California Cares" Team far exceeded its 2020 fundraising goal in support of the Alzheimer's Association. The Team doubled what was raised last year by raising \$20,292. We ranked #3 in the nation for our fundraising contributions behind #1 Georgia at \$26,677, and #2 South Carolina at \$25,330. I am very California Proud of our efforts.

TOP 10 TEAMS	
Team Name	Amount
GEORGIA ALPHA...	\$26,677
Together We Can...	\$25,330
California Cares	\$20,292
Maryland Black-ey...	\$12,748
VA Alpha Delta Ka...	\$10,432
NC ADK Pearls	\$10,128
Forget Me Nots	\$6,463
Heartbeats of Ken...	\$6,225
Ohio Alpha Delta...	\$5,850
Hawaii Alpha Delt...	\$5,743

California had 2 in the top 10 participants list out of 354 participants. California Gamma Mu raised \$4,605. California Beta Eta raised \$3,492. Just out of the top 10 was Dorean Barnes, Beta Rho, who raised \$3,450.

Here are some chapter fundraising highlights.



One of our Alpha Lambda sisters, Carol Fenwick, led a walk at a nearby park, Shoreline Lake in Mountain View, followed by lunch at the lakeside cafe, as a fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Association. It was a beautiful sunny day and fun was had by all.

Between donations from those participants, along with direct donations from other sisters on the Alpha Lambda Longest Day webpage and a donation from our chapter treasury, we have donated over \$800 this year. I am very proud of my Alpha Lambda sisters! Ann McCarty, Alpha Lambda Chapter president



CA Beta Omicron sisters participated in the annual The Longest Day RACE, a walking fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Association. With COVID, it was hard to get sisters to meet as a group, so many did the walk with family or on their own. Some met at Mission Bay in San Diego to walk for sister Carol Castlen. Beta Omicron raised three times the expected amount.

Left to right: Becky Johnson, Mary Ann Jones, Cindy Acerno, Catherine McAweeney, Holly Foster



California Beta Eta held a giant garage sale at the home of one of the members. Sisters donated "high end" items that were priced to sell. *Good Morning Sacramento* showed up and filmed a segment for their news program which helped to bring out the shoppers. The day was a huge success. Left: Christy Thorson, Immediate Past President, and Linda Drever.



## What position will you offer to hold in Alpha Delta Kappa 2022-2024?

### SHARE THE LOVE!

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much." - Helen Keller

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot. Together we can do great things."  
Mother Teresa

"The nice thing about [sharing the work] is that you always have others by your side." - Margaret Carty

### NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE 2022-2024 CALIFORNIA EXECUTIVE BOARD

Applications for candidacy must be submitted to **Candidate Qualifications Chairman Alice Bullard** by **Wednesday, November 30, 2021**. Both an online and a paper copy of the candidate's filing form are available on the CA website (<http://www.adkcalif.org>). Click on *State Convention* to access the application. The positions and job descriptions are below.

#### CALIFORNIA STATE POSITIONS

- positions may be shared, but only one will receive correspondence.

**Officers will be elected at the  
CA Alpha Delta Kappa 34<sup>th</sup> State Convention at the  
DoubleTree by Hilton - San Jose  
May 13-15, 2022**

#### The 2022-2024 State Officers:

Already voted upon President = Rosena Kruley and Immediate Past President = Sara Cooper.

#### To be elected:

<b>President-Elect</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Vice President for Membership</b>	<b>Historian</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Chaplain</b>

#### The State Standing Committees - The State President, Rosena Kruley, fills these.

Altruistic	Fraternity Education
Budget	Resolutions
Bylaws	Scholarship
Candidate Qualifications	Webmaster
Excellence in Education	World Understanding

#### CHAPTER POSITIONS – positions may be shared, but only one will receive correspondences.

#### Officers are to be elected no later than May 1 of 2022

with installation at the next appropriate meeting.

#### Chapter Officers:

**Immediate Past President**  
**President**  
**President-elect or Vice President**  
**Secretary**  
**Treasurer**  
Corresponding Secretary(optional)  
Historian (optional),  
Sergeant-at-Arms (optional)  
Chaplain (optional).

#### Chapter Committees:

Alpha Delta Kappa Month  
Altruistic,  
Budget,  
Bylaws,  
Fraternity Education  
Membership  
Nominating  
World Understanding (optional)

**CALIFORNIA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA**  
**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICES**  
**(for 2022-2024)**

**CALIFORNIA STATE OFFICERS FOR ELECTION INCLUDE:**

*President-Elect	*Secretary	*Treasurer
*Vice President for Membership	*Historian/Sergeant-at-Arms	*Chaplain

**DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS - IN BRIEF** (Complete job descriptions will be provided at Leadership)

- Attend the State Officer Leadership Training, usually in August of the first year of the biennium
- 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 electronically (there is a live form on the state website) or paper application form with two additional copies, and a 2"x3" photograph and e-mail or postmark the application form no later than November 30 to Chairman of the Candidate Qualification Committee

**PRESIDENT-ELECT - although not required, computer skills are expected.**

- Observes and trains to be State President
- Serves as Chairman of the State Presidents' Council
- Assists hosting councils in planning and conducting district conferences
- Revises and updates the Presidents' Council Handbook

**VICE PRESIDENT FOR MEMBERSHIP**

- Serves as State Membership Chairman
- Oversees collection of Chapter Needs Assessment forms

**TREASURER - although not required, computer skills are expected.**

- Administers the operating accounts of the state using Quicken computer software
- Oversees the state budget
- 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
- Monitors the membership status of all members; serves as liaison to Sustaining members

**SECRETARY – although not required, computer skills are expected.**

- Records State Executive Board meeting minutes
- Records State Convention activities
- Prepares for publication The Proceedings of Convention

**HISTORIAN/SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**

- Completes a pictorial and written history of the biennium of California Alpha Delta Kappa
- Is responsible for Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Pages, and Balloting at State Convention

**CHAPLAIN**

- Prepares opening and closing thoughts at District Conferences, Executive Board Meetings and State Convention
- Organizes and leads the Omega Service at State Convention

## DUE DATES AT A GLANCE

<b>Tue</b>	<b>Aug 31</b>	<b>Distinguished Program Award due</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Sep 15</b>	<b>Classroom Grant due</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Sep 16</b>	<b>State Standing Committee Zooms</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Sep 23</b>	<b>CA Sister Chat with Sara Cooper</b>
<b>All</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>Founders' Month for Alpha Delta Kappa</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Oct 02</b>	<b>Northern District Conference (virtual)</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Oct 15</b>	<b>Regional Mini-Scholarship due</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Oct 28</b>	<b>CA Sister Chat with Sara Cooper</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Oct 30</b>	<b>CA ADK District Mini-Scholarship due</b>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>Nov 01</b>	<b>Excellence in Education due</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Nov 06</b>	<b>Valley District Conference</b>



**SEND TO  
SARA COOPER**

[adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com](mailto:adk.sara.cooper@gmail.com)