

Chaplain messages for our state board planning meeting in Granite Bay at Teresa Heitmiller Olea's home.

Opening message Friday, August 21, 2026

Welcome to the first meeting of our ADK State Board retreat. We welcome our new members: Carol Valcarcel, Co Vice President of Membership, Rita Prichard, State Secretary, and Kathy Gutierrez, Historian/Sgt-at-Arms. Thank you to Teresa for providing us with your outstanding hospitality and providing us with lodging. Donna, Virginia, Teresa, Ann, Ginny and myself are thrilled to serve again for the next biennium.

President Donna's theme of Sharing the Sunshine of Sisterhood is a wonderful challenge for our next two years. ADK sisters serving together on our state board build supportive networks that foster mentorship, friendships, collaboration and professional growth.

Alpha Delta Kappa as an organization exists because the bond between teachers never truly fades. We understand the unique joys, the quiet sacrifices and the deep fulfillment of this calling. Thank you all for your lifelong service to education and thank you for volunteering to be on our new board. May the sunshine of our sisterhood enhance each of our lives this biennium.

Inspiring messages from famous people

"A compliment is verbal sunshine," Robert Orben (writer and magician)

Closing message

As we close this meeting let us remember the strength we find in each other. Our diverse voices shape a better future for our CA ADK. Keep lifting each other up, lead with courage, and trust in the power of our shared vision as a team.

"What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity," Joseph Addison (British writer and politician)

Day 2 Opening Message Saturday, August 22, 2026

Welcome back to day two of our ADK state board meeting. Hopefully you all got a good night's sleep. Let us embrace the sunshine of sisterhood to bring warmth, energy and inspiration to our work today..

Helen Keller: "Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see a shadow. When we share our light, we teach others to look forward with hope.

Walt Whitman: "Keep your face always toward the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you.

Closing message Saturday, August 22, 2026

What a wonderful retreat we've had these past two days planning our biennium, developing new lasting friendships and sharing the sunshine of our group. We've had wonderful food and snacks, laughed a lot, and learned new things about each other. Thank you to President Donna for leading us, planning the retreat, and keeping us focused. Thank you all for your hard work, intellect, and shared passion for ADK. We will meet again at the Northern District Conference in Concord on October 2.

"Wherever you go, no matter what the weather, always bring your own sunshine."
Anthony J. D'Angelo (public relations executive).