



California Alpha Delta Kappa

State President's Update

August, 2024

Hello, sisters! My name is Virginia Riding and I am your State President for the 2024-2026 biennium. You are now receiving your first State President's Update. My goal is to send a State President's Update to each State Board Council Liaison and chapter president every other month.

The update is meant to be a quick list of things to share with your chapter, such as officer reminders, important events, upcoming due dates, etc. It will alternate monthly with the newsletter, which goes to all members and has expanded articles and pictures.

In the update, I will include contact information for some items, but if you still have questions or need more information, send me an email (adk.virginiariding@gmail.com). Here we go!

1. **We need you to join the 2024-2026 State Executive Board as President-Elect!** You will receive plenty of support, and we are a delightful group. Plus it's the best way to help make Alpha Delta Kappa the organization you want it to be. Contact Virginia Riding immediately if you want to join us.

2. I am thrilled to welcome Beta Eta sisters Kim Donovan and Kathleen Waffle to the positions of World Understanding Chair

and Resolutions Chair, respectively. Thank you to them both for offering to take these positions.

3. Chapter officers will be invited to attend training sessions soon. State officers will be contacting you to let you know the dates and times of the Zoom meetings.

4. At the State Convention in May, the proposed budget that increased **state dues** to **\$30 per year** passed. State dues must be sent by the chapter treasurer to the State Treasurer, Virginia Williams, by December 31 to avoid late fees. International dues (\$40 per year) may be paid online by members, or they may write one check for both state and international dues to their chapter treasurer who will send one chapter check for each total amount to the state and to International.

5. Update your chapter officer roster if you haven't already done so. Go to the International Website>Members Only>Research Library. In the search bar, type Roster. Then click on Updating Chapter Officer Roster>Updating Chapter Officer.pdf. Contact State VP for Membership Teresa Heitmiller Olea (toleacasa@gmail.com or 916-847-7092) for help.

6. It's also not too soon to start saving for the International Convention to be held from July 10-13, 2025 in Austin, Texas. Registration will open in March of 2025 on CVENT.

7. There are dollars in them thar hills! Contact State Scholarship Chair Susan Raffo (adkraffo@gmail.com) or check the California website for information about what is available and how to apply.

8. Regional President Jeanie Hinck is looking for data about chapter scholarships. If your chapter awards scholarships, send her a quick email (jean.hinck@gmail.com) listing how many you give and the amount.

9. The state altruistic project is Camp Kesem. Send any chapter or individual donations to State Treasurer Virginia Williamson at 22586 Fifth St., Hayward, CA, 94541.

10. District Conferences will be held in person this calendar year. The next calendar year, they will be held via zoom and presented by the State Executive Board. The dates are as follows:

- Northern District Conference Oct. 5 in Pleasant Hill
- Valley District Conference Nov. 2 in Bakersfield
- Marina District Conference Jan. 25 (location TBA)
- Southern District Conference Mar. 8 (location TBA)

Upcoming Dates to Note

- Aug. 30 Deadline to send chapter financial summary (formerly C-1) to HQ
- October Alpha Delta Kappa Month
- Oct. 1 World Understanding Project application due
- Oct.1 *KAPPAN* submissions deadline
- Oct. 1 International Officer Candidate application due
- Oct. 1 Classroom Grant application deadline
- Oct. 15 Proposals for International Bylaws, Amendments, and Resolutions due
- Oct. 15 International Altruistic Project proposals for next biennium due
- Oct. 15 Chapter Needs Assessment deadline
- Oct. 15 Leadership Academy applications deadline

Oct. 15 Regional Fall Mini-Scholarship application due
Nov. 15 Innovation Grant deadline
Nov. 15 Educational Symposium proposals deadline
Dec. 31 State and International dues deadline