

Beehive Buzz

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It was at the International Convention in 2015 in Salt Lake City, Utah, that I was approached about the possibility of offering for the President-Elect position. Later that day I said yes. It's fitting that since I was in the Beehive state that I chose bees for my theme. In fact, I had an idea for my theme at the same time.

"Bee Involved in Alpha Delta Kappa" is the theme and really reflects how this organization became such a part of my life. I first became involved in my chapter. Attending State and International Conventions and a Regional Conference made me want to be more involved. Getting to know other sisters across the state and throughout our country (let's not forget Manitoba and Ontario) has been a something I cherish.

Bees exist because they work together for the benefit of the hive. Let's work together to keep our Alpha Delta Kappa the best it can bee!



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New Board



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THANK YOU!

Immediate Past-President, Peggy Brown, Convention Chair Beth Laakman-Schaumburg, and their team paved the way for a bubbling convention! Thank you, Peggy, for your leadership during the 2016-2018 biennium. Beth, your planning made it possible for IL sisters to renew old friendships, make new ones, participate altruistically, and remember why we are sisters in Alpha Delta Kappa.

Convention Highlights



At left is Sandy Wolfe, International Executive Board Member, representing Headquarters, Astri Napitupulu, ITE student studying at ISU, and Joyce Werner, ITE sponsor.



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Both winners are studying at Knox College. Betsy Reyes, from Cicero, is majoring in Elementary Education and Spanish.

April Morales, from Chicago, is majoring in Elementary Education.



Altruism in Action



Cuddles for St Jude happening at our Convention.



Karen McDonald received the Excellence in Education award. Presenting the award is Kathy Weber.

Altruistic Project 2018—2020



SWEET CASES



When foster children move from home to home, sometimes at a moment's notice, they are usually given trash bags to carry their belongings. Together We Rise is a non-profit organization that provides decorated duffel bags (Sweet Cases) stuffed with a blanket, a teddy bear, a hygiene kit, and a coloring book and crayons. Their goal is to help the children in foster care to feel like kids, not trash.

We have the opportunity to help! This organization works with agencies throughout the United States and our donations will stay in Illinois. Donations from each district will stay in their district. If your chapter chooses to donate, you can send the donations to me and I will see that they are distributed in your area. Your chapter president will be getting more information on this in their training meeting.

We have an opportunity to help these children who need to feel that someone cares. Thank you!

REMINDER

June 30—H-114 Annual Chapter Highlights due

THE LONGEST DAY JUNE 21ST

Illinois has a team on the Alpha Delta Kappa website for this event. We are the Illinois Alpha Delta Kappa Violets. Click on this link to get to our page!

[Illinois Alpha Delta Kappa Violets](#)

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Winnipeg, Manitoba at Delta Hotel July 7—11

Great opportunity to connect with sisters in our region

Not going to Winnipeg? You can still vote on the 2018-2019 World Understanding Project. These can be found on the International website. You can vote online or download the form to mail. You can use this link: [World Understanding Project](#)

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