

# THE PRISM

## Alpha Delta Kappa – Delaware Newsletter

### A MESSAGE FROM JEANNE CIECKO Delaware President 2018-20

Wow! It is hard to believe that the 2017-2018 school year is at an end and we are well into summer vacation season. Even though I have been retired for sixteen years, I still relate to a school calendar. Perhaps is due to my volunteering in my daughter-in-law's first grade class or being in tune with my grandsons' school schedules.

It is about two months since I was installed as Delaware's State President and I must admit I am still trying to wrap my brain around it all. I am thankful for those who came before to help guide me along this path.

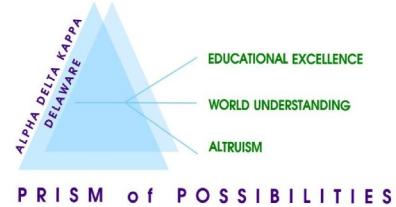
As I look to the future, I am confident in Delaware's leadership team. We have a group of women who are dedicated to the ideals of Alpha Delta Kappa – Altruism, World Understanding and Excellence in Education. These themes will be highlighted throughout the 2018-2020 Biennium.

My goals for this biennium include-the development of a Delegate Fund for each chapter, review and update the Delaware Policies & Procedures Manual, increase membership, increase awareness of our annual state scholarship, increase awareness of the scholarships and grants available to Alpha Delta Kappa members, encourage the use of technology at chapter meetings, and continuing the development of Delaware's Alpha Delta Kappa website.

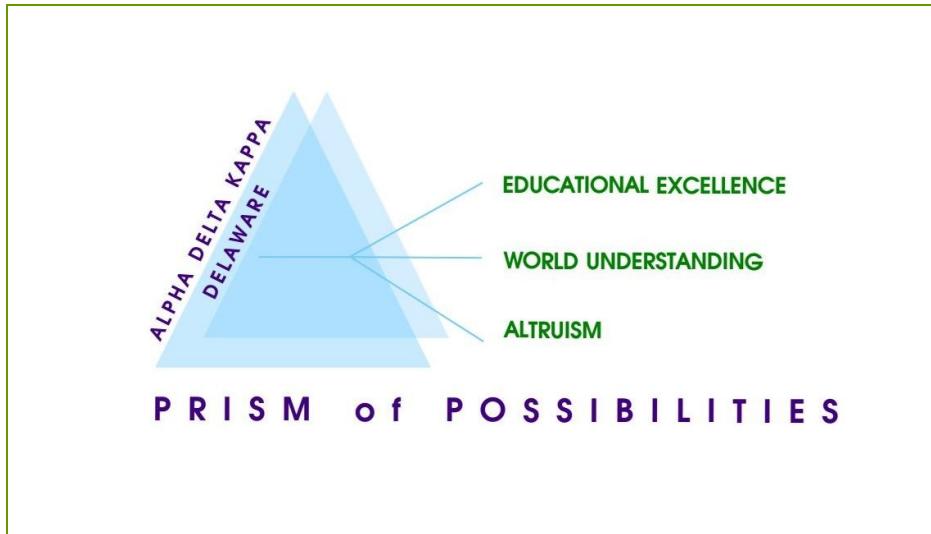
I anticipate several newsletters throughout the year-A Summer Issue, a Fall Issue and a Winter Issue. Each newsletter will contain important information about Delaware Alpha Delta Kappa, the Northeast Region and our International Headquarters.

I look forward to visits with each chapter over the next two years to learn more about you and share some ideas.

Enjoy your summer break. It is well deserved!



Theme and Logo for Jeanne Ciecko  
Delaware State President 2018-2020



**Explanation of Logo & Theme**

As I reflected on some ideas for the 2018-2020 theme and logo, I decided to take inspiration from Sue Pelchat's, the International President, and Judy Boulet's, our Northeast Regional Vice-President, logos and themes.

Both of these logos incorporate the image of a sun and so with some artistic license, maybe a lot of artistic license, I imagined the familiar Alpha Delta Kappa triangle as a prism through which the sun would pass and what would emerge on the other side are the three main goals of Alpha Delta Kappa -Altruism, World Understanding and Excellence in Education.

It is my hope that during this new biennium Delaware Alpha Delta Kappa explores some new and exciting possibilities that broaden our vision and involvement in these three key areas.

I would like to thank Sandy Albaugh, Eta's President, for her skill and patience as she assisted me in the development of this idea.

May my theme and logo serve as a stimulus for further reflection and ideas.

# Alpha Delta Kappa—DE State Executive Board Members



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**Fraternity Education**  
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**Alpha Delta Kappa Month**  
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**Web Master**  
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***\*\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM  
ALPHA DELTA KAPPA INTERNATIONAL\*\*\****

**STATE AND CHAPTER RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS**

President

1. Retain in Permanent Files:

- Charter (Fidelis Scroll, if Fidelis Chapter)
- Ceremonies Books
- Minutes of Meetings and Bylaws
- Proceedings of International Conventions (states only)
- Names of Initiated Members and Initiation Dates
- Written History
- Correspondence on any Legal Matters

2. Retain 4 years:

Forms and Correspondence (for the current and immediate past biennia).

Treasurer

1. Retain in Permanent Files:

- EIN Number (assigned by the Internal Revenue Service), any correspondence from the IRS, copy of any reports to the IRS, copy of correspondence from Headquarters regarding the IRS.
- Filed tax returns, including working papers.
- Audit reports and financial statements, cancelled checks for taxes, cash books.
- Financial ledgers and journals.

2. Retain 8 years:

Bank reconciliations and bank statements

3. Retain 3 years:

Petty cash vouchers, general correspondence, other cancelled checks, expense reports, paid bills and monthly trial balances.



# *Important Dates*



Alpha Delta Kappa  
Northeast Regional Conference  
July 23-25, 2018  
Providence Biltmore  
Providence, RI

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## Next DE Executive Board Meeting:

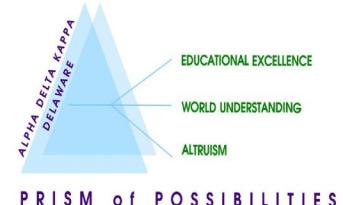
Wednesday August 8, 2018

9 A.M.

Smyrna Diner

99 Cory Lane

Smyrna, DE



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## 2019 International Convention

Minneapolis, MN

Hilton Minneapolis Hotel

July 17-20, 2019

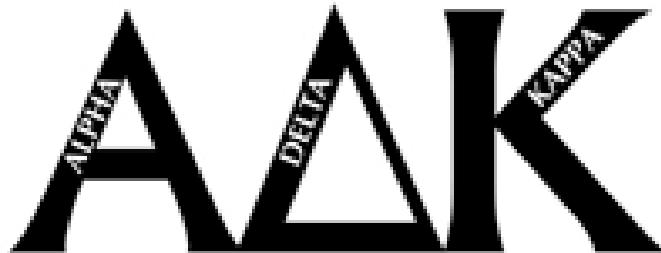


## **You and Your Chapter Needs Assessment**

It's that time of the year again – time to complete your **Chapter Needs Assessment (CNA)**.

Here are some helpful hints for completing your report.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Consider having each member complete the Member Needs Assessment found in the Membership Development Manual on page 68. \* This will provide you a wealth of information regarding your chapter, as well as providing you information for your CNA.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The Chapter Membership Chairman (CMC) and the Chapter President should work together to complete the CNA. If this is the first year of the biennium, the Immediate Past Chapter Membership Chairman and Chapter President should help with this.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. **Download/copy** a CNA from the website for your work copy at your convenience.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. When it is completed, the CMC may complete the report ***online during the month of August.*** When submitted online, it will automatically go to the Regional Membership Consultant.



# \*\*TIMELY INFORMATION\*\*

*CONGRATULATIONS to the following DE Chapters for recruiting new members:*

DELAWARE EPSILON- 3 new members

DELAWARE IOTA-1 new member

DELAWARE ZETA- 1 new member

## North East Regional Conference TIP!!

The Biltmore Hotel in Providence, RI is beautiful and quaint. The air-conditioning system works really well, so you might want to bring a shawl, sweater, or light weight jacket to wear during the meetings.

## The World Understand Project

The World Understand Project will be voted on at the Northeast Regional Conference. However, you don't have to wait until then to vote! Go to [Alpha Delta Kappa.org](http://AlphaDeltaKappa.org) and vote online.

Remember, you only get ONE vote! While voting is going on at the conference, you can be chatting with friends or asking questions at Communication Central if you vote on line.



# 2018 Alpha Delta Kappa – DE Convention



Jeanne's First Official Speech as President



Our Guest Speaker:  
Judy Boulet, NER-IVP 2017-2019



Nancy Passes the I.P.P. "Crown" to Linda!



Our Beautiful Head Table Display